

ODD FELLOWS' NIGHT

Commemorated Anniversary of Founding of the Order.

Excellent Address By J. N. Pickrell and Judge E. K. Hanna—Good Program.

In Odd Fellow circles April 26 is a big day. It marks the anniversary of the founding of Odd Fellowship and is celebrated in every lodge room all over the world.

A large audience greeted the opening exercises at the opera house, among whom were forty or fifty visitors from neighboring towns.

The program opened with an orchestra overture, followed by an address of welcome by J. N. Pickrell, past grand of the order, which is printed below.

"A Legion of Regenz," by Miss Laura Barbee of the high school won much commendation; while a sweet song by Miss Pearl Van Loon won an encore and was responded to with another, "Just at the Break of Dawn."

Judge E. K. Hanna made an excellent impromptu address, in the absence of A. G. Ansell of Spokane, who was unable to be present as the principal speaker.

After more music by the orchestra the opera house was cleared for dancing, which was enjoyed by those inclined to trip the light fantastic; while others retired to Odd Fellow hall and indulged in cards, games, music and conversation.

The evening was one long to be remembered by Colfax Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their invited guests, who were given a pleasing insight into the beauties and benefits of one of the world's most noble fraternal societies.

ADDRESSES OF THE EVENING.

J. N. Pickrell and E. K. Hanna Speak For Odd Fellows.

J. N. Pickrell, past noble grand of the local lodge, made the welcoming address, as follows:

"Sister Rebekahs, Brothers of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Friends: Eighty one years ago tonight Thomas Wilding and four other men of great moral worth met and formed the nucleus around which now clusters the thousands of lodges of Odd Fellows.

These founders of the great and world-wide order were tempered and schooled by the hardships and privations incident to life in a new country, harassed on the one hand by predatory warfare and upon the other by a depleted governmental condition.

While the American pioneers had laid the foundation and built the superstructure of a government broader, more humane, more liberal and better than ever before enjoyed by a people, giving to them the free school, the freedom of the public press, the freedom of speech and the freedom of conscience; with all these advantages, so well calculated to develop the very best in manhood and in womanhood, and inspire a feeling of patriotism so well calculated to preserve and perpetuate the government they had built; with a vast country of wonderfully rich and diversified resources, to be had for the taking; when the rich man's station was no higher than the poor man's, and when the poor man's opportunities were equal to the rich man's, there were still conditions in the affairs of human life for which the state and nation could not amply provide.

"The state and national governmental policy is directed to the masses—to the whole people as a body politic—and not to the individual. To meet those conditions, which arise from the social nature, the misfortunes and adversities of the individual, separate and distinct from his connection with the state, the first lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was organized in America. It had for its basic principles, 'Friendship, Love and Truth'; and that most memorable event in the history of Odd Fellowship in America we have met here to commemorate tonight.

"The constitution is the organic law of the state, and it circumscribes and limits the acts and conduct of the citizen. Its purpose is to secure to all within the pale of its operating effect 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.' The constitution is the organic law of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and its purpose is to secure to its members mutual aid and assistance, and to foster the principles of 'Friendship, Love and Truth.'

"Friendship, as applied to Odd Fellowship, exemplifies fraternal brotherhood, in its truest, purest, most heroic and self-sacrificing phases of human life. It takes for its guiding star the life and example of Jonathan and David. Friendship, as applied to Odd Fellowship, signifies aid, kindness, benevolence, charity and amicable assistance. It means a condition in the affairs of human life to which no governmental policy has ever been made to apply.

"Odd Fellowship, in its inception, was of a social and fraternal nature. Although at the beginning it was an immature and imperfect system, still, in a very great measure, it helped its members to help themselves. One of the first laws of the order was to charge a small admission fee at the door. This went into a common fund to defray the expenses of a brother seeking employment, until he passed into the jurisdiction of another lodge, and so on until he was successful in his quest. Since that time Odd Fellowship has grown and developed into a most perfect, complete and efficacious social system. Today, it has a firm footing in all the civilized countries of the world, where its moralizing effect is felt and appreciated. It has sick benefit funds to defray the expenses incident to the sickness of its members;

funeral benefits funds to defray the expenses incident to burial; and should a brother fall ill—it matters not in what country, or under what flag—all he needs do is to make himself known and his brothers will rise up on every hand and rally to his rescue. It has homes for the aged and infirm in every jurisdiction, equipped with the latest and best mechanical appliances, and its inmates are surrounded with all the substantial comforts of life. It has schools for the orphans of Odd Fellows, equipped with the best educational facilities, and manned by the best instructors. It has homes for the widows left without inheritances. These benefits and institutions of which I speak are of their own creation. They are the layings-up of a rainy day; and when there goes out a firm Odd Fellow enters there he goes not as a stranger among strangers, but as a member of the family—to his own castle, built by himself for himself. And the same rule applies to the school for the orphan and home for the portionless widow. It is their inheritance.

"The beauty of Odd Fellowship is that its basic principles are engraven, so to speak, into the very conscience and soul of its members. They are taught in the lodge rooms by precept and example to give mutual aid, assistance and comfort to a brother in sickness or in distress; to educate and care for the orphan as for his own; to give encouragement and assistance to the widow; to be kind, to be charitable, to be benevolent, to be honorable, and to be just; to be honest in their dealings, in their purposes, in their thoughts and in their actions. And no man can be an Odd Fellow without being made a stronger, a better, a kinder, a nobler, and a purer man. He is strengthened by precept, he is strengthened by example, he is strengthened by association.

"Odd Fellowship, as an organization, fosters patriotism, it fosters good citizenship, it fosters Christianity, it fosters morality, it fosters all those ennobling principles so well calculated to stimulate and develop the best in manhood and in womanhood. And I repeat, no man can enter a lodge of Odd Fellows without leaving a better, a stronger, a kinder, a nobler, a more benevolent, and a purer man.

"For and on behalf of the Rebekah and subordinate lodges of Colfax, I bid you welcome; and, in so doing, I wish you to remember—whether listening to your exercises in this hall, arranged for your accommodation and entertainment; whether in the mazes of the mill, or casting the figures of the quadrille; or in the ballroom; whether in the banquet hall, around the festal board, where all things palatable are spread; or whether fingering the seductive cards in the card room—that you are in the house of your friends, where 'Friendship, Love and Truth' reign supreme.

"And to those of you here who are not members of either branch of the order, I commend you to the care and entertainment of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood and bid you welcome, and welcome and welcome again."

Mr. Hanna's Address. Judge E. K. Hanna, in his address, was at somewhat of a disadvantage, as he had been substituted at the eleventh hour for a speaker who failed to appear. After calling attention to this unpreparedness, Mr. Hanna addressed the audience in an entertaining manner, of which the following is a synopsis:

The speaker stated that the tendency of mankind to commemorate the happening of great and good events occurring in the past by celebrating the anniversaries of such events was to be commended; that this gathering was in remembrance of the birth, the growth and the existence of Odd Fellowship; that we not only recall its humble birth, its mighty growth and work, its magnificence as a fraternal and beneficial order, but, above all the great principles of right and truth upon which it rests; that, while it has nothing to do with political or sectarian matters, no one could become an Odd Fellow without acknowledging the "Fatherhood of God," the "Brotherhood of Man." He said mankind was ever ready to accept the good, and that the daily growth of this order was due to the good it has done and is doing among mankind.

The speaker said that, to give a history of Odd Fellowship in America, during the 81 years of its existence, would require more hours than he had minutes which to address his audience. That 81 years ago a few men—a mere handful of men—from the ordinary vocations of life, gathered one evening in a room in Baltimore, Maryland; and, ere the light was extinguished in that room that night, the first Odd Fellows lodge of America had come into existence. That, as men look forward, 81 years is a long reach of time; but, in looking backward, it is but yesterday. As the earth revolves today, he said, it sheds its light upon over 16,000 lodges of Odd Fellows in America alone, with a membership of about 1,000,000 Odd Fellows and 200,000 Rebekah sisters; that 81 years ago the order had no funds, save the "open hand of Odd Fellowship." Last year, the order in America expended in relieving distress, caring for the sick and burying the dead of its membership, about \$3,500,000. Since 1830, a period of 70 years, it had, for these purposes, expended over \$80,500,000.

The audience was reminded that Odd Fellowship is an order in which the middle class of people finds a home; that its ranks are not crowded with the aristocratic, neither do they contain the other extreme of humanity. As an order, it has triumphed over all obstacles, and today it stands the peer of all secret organizations—in numbers great, financially strong, and pure in moral principles.

The duties of Odd Fellowship, Mr. Hanna thought were clearly defined in an article held in his hand, taken from "The Companion," an Odd Fellows' paper which he read as follows:

"The duties which Odd Fellowship enjoins are written in the four commandments of our order: 'Visit the sick,' 'Relieve the distressed,' 'Bury the dead,' 'Educate the orphan.' Odd Fellowship seeks to ennoble and adorn the character of a man, to enlighten and purify his mind, and to impress him with the full measure of his capability for doing good in the world, and it teaches that he who fulfills the commands in the spirit, gains a fuller conception of the true meaning and application of the golden rule.

"Such principles and such duties govern the lives and actions of our members. Our warfare is to subdue, and, if possible, to conquer every form of evil that so cruelly deceives man and robs him of his real happiness. Our field of action is the great round earth, which

we seek to conquer and to bind by chains of gold about the neck of God." "Our guardians watch at the bedside of the sick and suffering, stand around the open grave of the departed ones, and proudest of all those who guard the homes of the aged, the widows, and the orphans. Our watchfires burn nightly on mountain, on hillside, and in valley. Our rallying cry is 'God's Fatherhood of Man,' man's brotherhood of love." The victory, when 'tis won, shall be for 'Man, humanity, God.'"

Poking a Little Fun

A man who has been to Colfax to hear Bryan's speech was found dead near that place a few weeks ago, and the coroner's jury found the following verdict, according to the Dayton Chronicle: "As the deceased was found in the middle of the road with his pockets empty, his mouth wide open and a good crop of whiskers, we find that he was a populist; and there being no marks on the body to indicate violence, we further find that he came to his death by reason of a severe nervous shock." The jury was probably right. Mr. Bryan killed off several populists and democrats at Dayton.

ORE FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Likely Looking Sample Received By W. W. Waite.

W. W. Waite has received a letter from Prof. Wm. Brinsmead of the Sixteenth infantry, his battalion of which is stationed at Appari, in the northern part of the island of Luzon. He announces himself well and unscathed, though he recites a thrilling tale experienced by his lone company when they first garrisoned Appari. The one company was beset by 2000 howling insurgents, and in the big fight following before arrival of reinforcements 12 soldiers were killed and 15 or 20 wounded; but the enemy suffered in the usual proportion.

Mr. Brinsmead speaks highly of the beauty and resourcefulness of the country. He says the opportunity in lumbering is great and the forests of hardwood timber magnificent beyond conception to one who has not visited the islands. That there are mineral resources is evident from a small sample of ore accompanying the letter, which is heavily mineralized and looks well, though no test as to what it contains has been made. Mr. Brinsmead says these specimens can be obtained in almost any quantity from the float rock of the country, and that natives tell them there are many large ledges of such ore in the mountains drained by the Cayan river, at the mouth of which Appari lies.

Horse Trade in Rosalia.

The numerous visits made by horse buyers in the past winter to our little city, have had the effect of reviving horse talk and the advisability of having horse fairs during the coming summer, says the Rosalia Citizen. We all know that the horse fairs which were held last year assisted materially in placing Rosalia among the foremost as a horse market and have amply repaid the expenses incurred. During the past winter Rosalia has held the position of one of the best horse markets in eastern Washington and we can hardly believe that our horse owners and business men are ready to retreat from the field at a time when everything is in their favor. Horses have been bought here for the city and foreign markets. Government buyers have paid us a number of visits during the winter and Cape Nome buyers are in the field. Prospects are favorable for a good live horse trade during the coming season.

Over a Suit of Clothes.

Mayor E. G. Faires of Garfield was at Colfax Tuesday consulting with authorities over the smallpox situation at that town. Two cases are in the pest house ready to be discharged. One of them, a young man named Eves, about 20 years old, is a son of Dr. Eves, a well known and well-to-do resident of the locality. This case has been ready for discharge for several days, but the boy is unable to purchase new clothing and his father refuses to do so for him, insisting that the county should buy them. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Roberts has advised the mayor that where the patient or his father is unable to bear the expense incident to a contagious disease it devolves upon them to do so, the same as in any other disease, and that the public should not be saddled with the expense of a new outfit for young Eves, who is still a minor and under the control and support of his father.

Census Enumerators Named.

Austin Mires of Ellensburg, census supervisor for the district in eastern Washington, has announced the appointment of eleven of the sixteen census enumerators for Whitman county. The other five have not yet been appointed, for the reason that the applicants failed to send in their examination papers in time to get into this list. The appointments made are as follows: Vernon B. McDowell, William H. Phillips, Robert F. Smith, Ernest W. Wagner, William D. McLaw, Russell F. Matkin, Henry C. Stivers, Erwin D. Eldredge, Isaac W. Shearer, James W. McKune, Louis A. Breakway.

Great Crops of Grain and Fruit.

Chas. A. Whisler, the well known Garfield farmer, was at Colfax, Wednesday. Mr. Whisler had completed the planting of his crop and said all crops were then in except a few wet patches. "I never before saw so magnificent a prospect for crops of both grain and fruit in all the years I have been in the Palouse country. The fields are splendid and fall wheat is especially fine. The fruit crop I believe to be beyond danger of damage, and if so, it will be an immense one."

Tortured a Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave this evidence: "I coughed every night until my throat was raw; then tried Dr. King's New Discovery which gave instant relief. I have used it in my family for four years and recommend it as the greatest remedy for Coughs, Colds and all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. It will stop the worst cough, and not only prevents but absolutely cures Consumption. Price 50c and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at the Elk drug store, F. J. Stone, proprietor.

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PURE WATER WANTED

Proposals for Securing it Will Be Submitted.

Councilman Good Sets Forth a Few Pertinent Facts As to the Benefits.

"The prospects for pure water for Colfax are good," said Councilman J. R. Good, yesterday. "Several propositions for boring artesian wells will probably be submitted to the council at the date advertised for proposals, June 4.

"Jacob Arrasmith expects to submit a proposition to bore an artesian well on his farm, four miles east of town. He intends to sink at least 1000 feet, unless the needed flow of 200,000 gallons of water each 24 hours is found at less depth. This he will do at his own expense, the city to buy the well and land if successful. There is a fall of 80 to 100 feet, sufficient to give an excellent gravity system to the reservoir. It is estimated that it will cost \$20,000 to lay the pipe to carry it. This would save the constant expense of pumping, etc.

"G. H. Sutherland of Walla Walla also expects to submit a proposition for sinking an artesian well up Spring flat, within three miles of town, where he is confident plenty of water can be obtained at a depth not to exceed 500 feet. Others will look the ground over, with a view of entering the contest for a contract.

"The cost of pumping, \$2400 a year at least, which is now found so burdensome, and which will come with the regularity of house rent so long as the present system is maintained, would be decreased at least half—probably more—if a gravity system is obtained. The present income from the water system of the city is about \$4800 a year. We figure an increase of something like \$1200 to \$1500 a year if pure water is obtained, because such a system would be better patronized.

"The entire expense of the proposed Arrasmith works would not exceed \$25,000. Probably it would be much less. Now, the interest on \$25,000, at 5 per cent, would be \$1250 annually. The increase in water receipts would supply this interest fund, to say nothing of the better and healthier service to the people. The money could be easily secured for a project which would increase the water receipts at least \$100 a month, and decrease the expense of supplying another \$100 a month. This would make practically a saving of \$100 a month—\$1200 a year—to the city over the present impure and unsatisfactory system.

"If water in sufficient quantity could be obtained from the Spring flat source which Mr. Sutherland is confident can be had—the first expense, it is estimated, would be from \$5,000 to \$7,000 less than the Arrasmith proposition.

"Mr. Arrasmith is actively exploiting his project. He has had water experts on his ground, whose unanimous opinions are that the chances for securing a sufficient and steady flow of pure artesian water are very bright.

"Wherever it may come from, it is an undeniable fact that Colfax needs a pure and undeffiled water supply, and it must be had if it can be secured within our means. It is a matter so vital to the continued health of the growing population and the enjoyment of life that any reasonable proposition by which this great improvement can be obtained should receive the hearty encouragement and warm support of every citizen."

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