

# K. OF C. HAVE HAD REMARKABLE YEAR

Increase of 21,517 Noted in Catholic Order, According to Annual Report of Secretary.

## FLAHERTY GIVES HIS MESSAGE

Much Interest in Statement by Supreme Knight—Public Mass Meeting Held Tonight.

The Knights of Columbus have enjoyed a remarkable growth during the past year, according to the annual report of William McGinley, New Haven, Conn., supreme secretary of the order, which was read today at the supreme convention in Davenport. An increase of 21,517 is noted, bringing the total membership up to 368,135. Last year the total was 346,618.

The associate membership this year to date is 252,113, while the 1916 insurance membership is 116,022. There is one more council this year than last, the records showing a total of 1,764. The increase in associate membership is 16,447 and the insurance membership increase is 5,070.

New York state leads in membership, being credited with 50,068. Illinois ranks second with 43,083 members, while Massachusetts comes third with 31,147 knights.

Other states with a membership of 10,000 or more in order are: Pennsylvania, 25,063; Ohio, 18,981; Iowa, 13,872; New Jersey, 11,626; Michigan, 11,539; Minnesota, 10,633; and Connecticut, 10,299.

The following are excerpts from Mr. McGinley's report:

During the year total collections amounted to \$2,119,433.29. Adding the balance on hand at the beginning and from this total deducting disbursements it will be noted that our present assets, exclusive of special funds, are nearly \$7,000,000, having been increased during the year by over \$200,000. The sum of \$126,400 was saved to the insurance members of the order by the dropping of the December, 1915, assessment.

## Heavy Benefits Paid.

Death benefits paid during the year amounted to \$860,406.16, the total paid since beginning being \$8,965,628.76.

Membership statement herewith, as will be seen, gives the membership in each jurisdiction separated as to insurance, associate and totals June 30, 1916, and June 30, 1915, respectively, together with a condensed comparative statement. The total membership June 30, 1916, was 368,135, of which 116,022 were insurance and 252,113 associate members, 52 state and six territorial jurisdictions, and 1,764 subordinate councils. Forty-two new councils were instituted during the year; 15 were merged, five in Connecticut, four in Maryland, one in Minnesota, and one in Missouri.

During the year our gross increase in membership was 49,900; our net increase 21,517, of which latter 5,070 were insurance and 16,447 associate members.

There were 2,340 deaths—822 insurance and 1,518 associate; 1,994 final withdrawal cards were issued—215 insurance and 1,779 associate; 892 mem-

bers resigned—50 insurance and 842 associate. There were 1,289 transfers from the associate to the insurance class and 1,439 from insurance to associate.

## Flaherty Makes Report.

In the course of his report made today James Flaherty of Philadelphia, the supreme knight of the order, paid a glowing tribute to the local members of the order and to the city of Davenport in his preamble to his report he declared:

"As we begin the deliberations of our 34th national convention the thought comes to me that our meeting place could not have been more appropriately chosen. We meet here with the fragrant memories of our last supreme convention in the west still remaining; we have too, tender recollections of the south. And today we are met together in this wonderful middle west, which, I am sure, has its own special message for us.

"And I think we shall find this special message in the tri-cities of Davenport, Rock Island and Moline, a symbol to us all of industry going hand in hand with beauty. We shall receive from this auspicious harmony such impressions, that when the deliberations of our convention are finished, and each has returned to his own home and his own sphere of influence, he will carry with him not only happy memories of brotherly welcome and gracious hospitality from the citizens and fraternal orders of this wonderful city, but also recollections of its gallant and chivalrous band of local knights of our order who is the privilege of any of us to meet.

## An Up-to-Date City.

"We may see in the enthusiasm of our brother knights of Davenport and sister cities, a reflection of the wonderful civic energy that abounds on every side. We see an industrious and thriving population, public institutions conducted in the most enlightened manner, and an efficient and up-to-date municipality. And we see, also, a city in which Catholic churches and colleges and schools tell a tale of splendid endeavor on the part of the Catholic citizenry of the tri-cities.

"We meet today amongst so much that is inspiring and encouraging, that it seems there could be no note of sadness sounded at all. Yet we meet this year also, as we did last year, when the dark cloud of war still hangs heavily over Europe and other parts of the world beyond our continent. But still we pray that peace may speedily be restored to the war-torn nations of the present. And we see, also, a city as taking sides in these unhappy differences, but according to the guidance shown by our Holy Father, Pope Benedict the Fifteenth, by the three cardinals of our church, and by the president of our country. We pray for an honorable peace for each of the belligerents.

"Let us be unmindful of the cloud of war that has threatened our beloved country, of the estrangement that has crept between ourselves and the citizens of the republic beyond the Rio Grande. Let it be the earnest prayer and hope of each of us that unhappy Mexico may awake from her nightmare of anarchy, and take the lead in the work of rehabilitation which every true hearted citizen of the United States desires for her. That once again peace and prosperity may take the place that bloodshed and anarchy have usurped for so long.

## Recreation Stations on Border.

"The mobilization of troops along the Mexican border, both of the regular army and the national guard, has caused a large number of members of our order to the service of their country. The supreme officers and the board of directors have adopted measures to effectively care for the needs of members of the order who are now engaged in the service of the United States in the present Mexican campaign. A city has been forwarded to El Paso and other cities near which troops are stationed. A special agent, provided with ample funds, has been dispatched to the various camps along the border, and every effort is being made to care for the welfare of brother knights who have answered the call of their country.

Among the details of his report the supreme knight pointed out that the total amount of insurance in force on June 30, was \$123,862,842, an increase of 60 per cent in seven years. In this connection he urged a campaign for the increase of the insurance members in comparison with the associate members.

## Less Anti-Catholic Agitation.

Referring to the permanent home for councils movement he said it had a vital connection with the steady growth of the order. He alluded to the lecture tours of Peter Collins and David Goldstein and their addresses against socialism, the tour of Joseph Scott and the address in Chicago by Ben Croker, attended by 9,000 people. He commended the work of the commission on religious prejudice and asserted there had been a marked falling of attacks by professional anti-Catholic agitators due to the commission's efforts.

In the furtherance of the educational aims of the order mention is made of the Knights of Columbus edition of the Catholic Encyclopedia, and to the scholarships established at the Catholic university in Washington, D. C.

He took occasion to regret the death of Daniel P. Toomey, editor of the Columbian, during the year. Commending upon the funds raised by the order to assist Pope Benedict XV. due to the loss of revenue of the Vatican by the European war he says that the considerable sum already received in trusts is but an earnest of the donations to follow.

## Bonzano is Heard.

The convention reconvened at 2:15 yesterday afternoon, Bishop Davis and Archbishop Bonzano addressing the assemblage of some 600 Knights. Archbishop Bonzano spoke of the order in connection with the church. He asserted that as long as the Knights of Columbus were with the church, the church would be with the organization.

The archbishop stated that the K. of C. has made wonderful progress during the last few years. He said he was pleased to have the honor of being a guest at the convention.

Archbishop Bonzano departed yesterday afternoon for his home in the east. It was announced that all noonday luncheons at the Turner hall would be free to visiting knights. This will facilitate matters greatly during convention hours as the Turner club is near the convention hall.

Point Comfort, Va., was the first city to start the ball rolling for the

# GOES TO TOMB AS AN UNKNOWN MAN

Heat Victim Found in Sehnert Rooming House Is Buried Without Having Been Identified.

## WAS AFFLICTED WITH SORROW

"Jack," Known To Few in Rock Island, Appeared To Be Burdened With Some Grief of the Past.

The man found dead in the Sehnert rooming house, First avenue and Twentieth street, Sunday night, went to his grave in Chippianock cemetery today an unknown.

Coroner R. C. J. Meyer exerted every effort to identify the man but he could locate no one who knew him. At the inquest conducted at the O'Malley undertaking parlors yesterday, witnesses said they knew the man only for a few days and that he had been called "Jack."

"Five women called at the undertaking parlors yesterday to view the remains, each one having stated that her husband was missing. None identified him as her missing helpmate, however.

"Jack" was in Rock Island only a few days before his death. Those who knew him looked upon him as a man who was burdened by a deep grief. He never smiled.

He talked with few and then only in response to questions. He always appeared to be thinking deeply. Those who knew him were curious and several questioned him in the hopes of uncovering a story, but their solicitations were of no avail.

Saturday night he secured two bottles of whisky at the Sehnert saloon and retired. He complained of the heat. He remained in bed all day Sunday. Sunday night he was found dead.

## Inquest Is Held.

Yesterday the inquest was held. The jury was unable to arrive at a definite verdict concerning his death. The finding was that he came to his death in a manner unknown to the jury. Opinion is that the extreme heat of Saturday and Sunday induced death.

An accurate description of the man has been placed on the coroner's record for future use, should any mysterious disappearance case bob up.

## 1917 convention. D. J. Callahan acted as spokesman.

Buffalo, N. Y., delegates are becoming active for the high bid. Last evening a reception was held at the Coliseum in honor of the distinguished visitors. Soloists were Miss Catherine Cosgriff, Davenport, and James Kearns, member of the celebrated Dubuque college choir of Dubuque. At 9:30 two balls were enjoyed, one at the Coliseum and the other at the Grand opera house.

## Attend Ball Game Today.

Today's exercises opened with mass at 9 o'clock at Sacred Heart cathedral and at 10:30 the supreme council business session was held. Luncheon was served for the delegates at the Grand opera house at 1 o'clock and at 2 the business sessions were resumed. At the same hour a boat ride on the Mississippi for visiting knights and their ladies was given. The convention adjourned at 3:30 and all of the delegates could attend the baseball game between Davenport and Rockford.

This evening there will be a public concert by the K. of C. Choral club at Fourth and Main street and at 8 o'clock a public mass meeting at the Coliseum, at which time addresses are to be made by Joseph Scott, Los Angeles; Jerry B. Sullivan, New York city; and Daniel J. Gallagher, Boston. The Knights of Columbus Choral club, St. Louis and Parnell Egan, Chicago, will sing. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## This evening at 8 o'clock another boat ride on the Mississippi has been arranged and at 9 o'clock a ball will be given at the Grand opera house.

## DEAD BABY IN TIN BOX IS FOUND HERE

A boy baby, who died shortly after birth, was found in a tin box on the bank of the Mississippi river this morning. It was turned over to Coroner R. C. J. Meyer.

No clues as to the guilty ones are available, the coroner said. The remains were taken to O'Malley's undertaking rooms. An inquest was held also over the foetus found in the rear of the Seventh avenue house last week.

## Coroner Meyer stated today that

## MILAN

Mrs. Charles Campbell and three children of Seattle, Wash., are visiting J. A. Campbell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, William Loring and sister Anna of Chicago visited Milan friends the latter part of the week, coming by auto. The ladies and Mr. Young Jive Schulte when they were children, their father being one of the earlier merchants here.

Mrs. Otto Larson and son Max are visiting Cambridge friends this week.

Mrs. George Bain and son of Rock Island were visiting relatives here the last of the week.

Mrs. Belle Ferns and daughters Ethel and Irene and the Misses McCormick of Sacramento, Cal., went to Iowa City, Iowa, Sunday by auto to visit relatives.

Mrs. J. A. Campbell, who has been in Nebraska for several weeks, came home Sunday evening.

Mrs. M. E. McLaughlin of Sherry, Wis., who is spending her vacation in the city, visited Milan relatives and friends a few days this week.

Mrs. M. Gaunt of Reynolds was a Milan visitor this week.

The Misses Walker have returned from a visit to Montezuma, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Marr and son Clarence returned from a few weeks' visit in Nebraska, Sunday morning.

Mrs. Anna Caldwell of Rural was a Milan visitor Tuesday.

Margaret Carnaghan visited Moline friends Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Wiggins entertained Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith and daughter of Toledo, Iowa, last week.

Just as expected, the M. & K.'s half price sale of women's oxfords is arousing the tri-cities. Be sure to attend this sale this week and take your choice of any pair of women's pumps, oxfords or straps at one-half price.

# JAMES F. HODGES GOES TO REWARD

Octogenarian, Foreman at Weyerhaeuser & Denkmann Saw Mills for 31 Years, Dies at His Home.

## IN ILL HEALTH FOR TWO YEARS

Funeral Services Will Be Held at Trinity Episcopal Church at 5 O'clock Tomorrow P. M.

James F. Hodges, for many years a resident of this city, died at his home, 318 Second street, this morning at 2 o'clock after an illness of several years.

Mr. Hodges was born in Bristol, England, Feb. 14, 1831. At the time of his birth his father was chief engineer of the Bristol Steam Navigation company in charge of the installation of the first steam vessel to cross the Atlantic in 1838.

The son came to this country in 1856, locating in Boston as a salesman in a large dry goods business. In a short time he was sent to Dubuque, Iowa, as their representative, where he remained five years. In 1861 he went into business for himself at Independence, Iowa, where he became prominent in local politics, being township trustee, first mayor at the incorporation, and delegate to the convention which nominated Allison for United States senator the first time. While at Independence his business was twice destroyed by fire, and as a result he moved to Marion, Iowa, in 1877, where he engaged in the hotel business. Shortly after this he came to Rock Island and became foreman of the Weyerhaeuser & Denkmann saw mill, where he remained for 31 years, until his retirement.

Mr. Hodges was a faithful member of Trinity Episcopal church of this city, tracing back his ancestry in the Church of England to the year 1610. It was through his efforts and those of other men that the Trinity Episcopal church was established and a church built there which was the first Episcopal church between Dubuque and Fort Dodge. As a member of the local parish he was a delegate to many diocesan conventions.

Mr. Hodges was twice married, his first wife, Harriet Morgan, dying in 1875. Five children were born to this union, four of whom are living: Fred J. of Rock Island, Will of Marshalltown, Charles of Freeport, and Mrs. D. F. Flatau of Chicago. His second wife was Deborah Hyatt, who survives him.

## Funeral Tomorrow.

Funeral services will be held at Trinity Episcopal church at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and the remains will be taken to Independence, Iowa, where interment will be made on Friday.

## Obituary

Mrs. Mary L. Weaver. Mrs. Mary L. Weaver, 620 Forty-second street, died suddenly yesterday. She was stricken and death came in 45 minutes. Hardening of the arteries was the cause.

She was born in Three Rivers, Mich., Aug. 15, 1859. She was formerly Miss Mary L. Hale and was married to Henry A. Weaver at Waterford's Mills, Ind., in 1882. She came to Rock Island from Goshen, Ind., in 1911.

## FOUR ESCAPE DEATH AS CAR TURNS OVER

Two Davenport priests and two visiting Knights of Columbus had narrow escapes from death in Davenport at noon today when an automobile owned and driven by John Schulte, Burlington, blew a tire and turned over. The mishap occurred at the corner of Locust and Marquette streets. The occupants of the car were cut and bruised, but none seriously. The injured are: Rev. A. Schoenig, pastor of St. Joseph's church; Rev. Henry Takemeyer, pastor at St. Ambrose college; and John T. Beckman and Mr. Schulte of Burlington.

## LICENSED TO WED

Louis A. Wilcox ..... Moline  
Miss Anna Seera Larson ..... Moline  
Grover C. Terry ..... Millersburg  
Miss Melissa J. McCormick ..... Moline  
J. Leo Hunter ..... Raymond, Ill.  
Miss Violet Phillips ..... Moline  
Walter Alberg ..... Rock Island  
Mrs. Mae Kroeger ..... Rock Island

## Funeral of Andrew Weinberger.

Funeral of Andrew Weinberger, veteran of the confederate army who died at his home, Seventeenth and Brasher streets, Monday night, will be held at the residence at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. Rev. F. J. Rolf will conduct the services.

## Funeral of Hartwig Kruse.

Funeral services over the remains of Hartwig Kruse were held at his residence, Ninth street and Thirty-sixth avenue, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Burial was in Chippianock cemetery. Rev. F. J. Rolf conducted the services.

## Funeral of Lynne Horney.

The remains of Lynne Horney were laid to rest in Chippianock cemetery this afternoon, following funeral services held at the Knox chapel. Rev. O. T. Dwinell delivered the funeral address.

## Funeral of Miss Eva Miller.

Funeral of Miss Eva Miller will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller, 504 Twelfth avenue. Rev. F. J. Rolf will officiate and burial will be made in Chippianock cemetery.

## Bethany Home Needs.

Following is the list of provisions needed at Bethany home for August. Bids to be received at the home of Mrs. J. W. Crandall, 835 Twenty-fifth street, up to Friday noon: Ten sacks Pilsbury or Ceresota flour, 125 pounds of granulated sugar, 10 pounds head rice, 17-pounds box of soda crackers, 20 15-pound boxes of mixed cookies; 16 packages of Post Toasties, four 6-pound cans Crisco, one sack yellow corn meal, 12 packages macaroni, six large cans red salmon, one package Postum, eight cans Kitchen Kleanser, five pounds Longhorn cheese, six pounds prunes, six pounds dried apricots, one-half peck kidney beans, three five-pound boxes of Ball bluing, eight gallons Karo syrup, 10 small cans Danish prize milk, one can lye, 15 rolls toilet paper, 15 packages Cream of Rice, six large packages rolled oats, one-half bushel cooking apples, three packages corn starch.

## A Correction.

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Everybody's going to the M. & K. sale of women's low shoes at one-half price. Your unrestricted choice of any pair of women's low shoes at one-half price. Don't delay, act quick.

# CONSTRUCTION OF WELL ADVOCATED

Rock Island Business Man Urges That Plan to Supply Artesian Water Be Carried Out.

## "The opportunity which the city has to acquire an artesian well in Spencer square ought not to be dropped," said a prominent Rock Island business man today to a representative of The Argus.

"The plan suggested by Chief Miller is entirely feasible and would be a fine thing for the community if put in operation."

"Already a substantial start has been made toward securing funds for the project. The well could be installed complete for \$3,000. The city water furnished at the fountain in the square at the present time is unusually warm but if the well is sunk, it will be possible to have an inexhaustible supply of good cool water at all times. Hundreds and hundreds of local people and many transients daily use Spencer square and it would be a convenience that would be greatly used and appreciated."

## HEARING OF JAIL CASE CONTINUED

### Complainant's Evidence to Be Taken Saturday and Defense Will Have Until Aug. 28 for Reply.

Indications are that the Dunne jail inquest case, which was scheduled to come up before Master in Chancery J. L. Haas tomorrow morning, will be continued until Saturday morning. Tomorrow is circus day, and although none of the lawyers interested would admit it, this is understood to be the real reason for the delay.

Mr. Haas ordered that the complainant's case can be presented in a few hours and that the hearing will be held over until Aug. 28, when the introduction of evidence on behalf of the defense will be started.

## RUNNING HORSES MAY BE SECURED

Rock Island race horse fans have a chance to see some real going. Louis Peters, promoter of the recent Hawthorne event, is in the city today for a conference relative to putting on a running meet at the Exposition park site at this month's end.

Mr. Peters is holding a session this afternoon at the New Harper with Otto Seiditz and Carl Mueller of this city and J. Reed Lane and Dick Lane, Davenport. Mr. Peters promises to give Rock Island some exciting sport if arrangements can be completed.

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## I Have Spring and Summer Samples

That make Good Suits to wear the year round and an extra pair of trousers for the price of the suit.

# E. B. Goldsmith

Clothing and Shirts to measure  
Room 201 Central Trust Bldg.  
Phone R. I. 535.

Also Advance Showing of Fall Styles.

## VOTERS CAN HELP GROWTH OF CITY

Will Have Opportunity Next Tuesday to Aid in Securing Million Dollar Plant Here.

PARK TAX LEVY IS ALSO UP

Both Propositions are Worthy Unanimous Support of Those Anxious to See Civic Development.

No election that has been held in Rock Island within the last decade is of more importance to the community than the one which will be held next Tuesday. At that time the electorate will be given an opportunity not only to aid in securing a million dollar addition to the commercial interests of Rock Island but also to materially help in extending the park system of the city.

Two propositions will be put up to the voters and both should be given hearty support. The first is relative to giving the Tri-City Railway company a franchise to operate cars on Forty-third street, in order to make room for the erection of the fine new plant which the Moline Plow company proposes to build. The street car company cannot make this change unless the action is ratified by the people. Inasmuch as the city is to gain one of the biggest industrial boosts in its history through the granting of the franchise, it is thought there will be no opposition whatever to the project.

Park Tax Needed.

The other plan is for an annual three-mill tax levy for park purposes. Rock Island is anxious to beautify its present fine park system and with the granting of this tax, it will be possible for its extension in a marked degree. Both of these projects should be enthusiastically supported by everyone who is anxious to see the city develop. Both men and women will participate in the election and it is important that a large vote be polled.

## PERSONAL POINTS

Miss Ivy Beck left today for Chicago where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. A. A. Rounds returned today after a visit in Fort Madison, Iowa.

Miss Emma Battles left yesterday for a vacation at a Wisconsin lake resort.

W. T. Drips, formerly of this city and now of Olympia, Wash., arrived in Rock Island last evening on his way to attend the International Typographical meeting at Baltimore later in the month. Mr. Drips likes the far north-west and seems to be growing younger yearly. He is employed in the Washington state printing department.

Mrs. Ella A. Read, 1911 Eighth avenue, left today for a month's stay with relatives in Louisville, Ky.

Henry Holcomb has returned to the city and resumed his work at Rock Island arsenal after a visit with friends in Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sharp left yesterday afternoon for Pittsburgh, Pa., where the former will resume his position with the Pittsburgh Filter Manufacturing company. For several years he was superintendent of the city filter plants and recently has been employed by the Illinois Oil company.

## City Briefs

Buy a home of Reedy Bros. Tri-City Towel Supply company. For express, call William Trefz. Jamison Towel Supply company, Moline, apron and coat services. Phone 1066, 581.

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## Announcement!

Owing to the death of W. C. Totten, the garage will be closed tomorrow afternoon. Patrons who have cars stored and wish to use same tomorrow will confer a favor by getting them or having them delivered before noon.

TOTTEN AUTO CO.

## ROY DAILEY FILES PAPERS WITH CLERK

Two more petitions for the September primary were filed today with County Clerk H. B. Hubbard. One contained the name of Roy S. Dailey, Moline, candidate for the republican nomination for circuit clerk, and the other that of William A. Meese, Moline, candidate for republican senatorial committee.

## PARADE WILL NOT GO OVER SECOND AVENUE

Because of the heat and the damage which would result to the asphalt paving on Second avenue, Barnum & Bailey's circus parade will not travel over the main thoroughfare in the loop tomorrow.

City officials selected the course this afternoon, designating an all brick route. The procession will leave the show grounds at Exposition park, traveling east on Eighteenth avenue to

## ACIDS IN THE SYSTEM

Acids accumulating in the system in excess, poison the blood and cause a great variety of diseases, affecting the skin and other mucous surfaces, the heart and arteries, brain and general nervous system, joints and muscles. Some of these diseases are Rheumatism in its many forms, Catarrh, Eczema, Hives, itching and burning of the skin, dizziness, mental depression and a variety of other ailments. You must eliminate the acid from your system and purify your blood before you can be rid of your trouble. S. S. has been purifying and nourishing the blood for over half a century. It is also a very efficient tonic and being purely vegetable, it is the most efficient agent known in the cleansing of the blood and toning up of the system.

Call for it at your druggists and don't accept a substitute. If special medical advice is desired write Medical Department 93, Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.

## A WIRE HOUSE IS STRICTLY UP-TO-DATE