Hoffman's Musical Fustival,

The preparation for Hoffman's second annual musical festival are well under way. The array of features is the strongest event ever presented here. The Academy of Music on the evening of Friday June 8th next, will resound with jeyous strains of music as never before. The Washington Permanent Ohorus, (Damrosch System) will render Gounods "Gallia." Hoffman's Concert Band, 40 musicians, celebrates on this occasion their first anniversary in a brilliant program, including several London music hall novelties. Four eminent soloists are to appear and the Symphony Orchestra will delight the large audience in attendance between the acts.

### An Exhibition Drill.

The exhibition drill at Odd Fellows Hall last Saturday evening given by the young ladies of the high school, was exceptionally fine. They showed great skill in military tactics. A large gathering had assembled to witness for the first time something unique. They were not disappointed. for there was a continuous outburst of applause from every section of the auditorium. The appointments of the hall were beautiful and lessened noth. ing from the success of the occasion. The company is officered by Captain Edith Wright, 1st Lieutenant Mabel Drew, 2nd Lieuteant Eva Lucas, 1st Sergeant Carrie Lee, Corporals Altona Wright, Helen Jones, Hattie Ricks, Georgie Lucas, Rosa Childs and Julia Collier.

### SUMMER RESORTS. --

The Summer season is about here, and the good times are also here. There will be lots of money spent this summer by the intelligent and well to do classes at resorts. The Colored American with its usual enterprise solicits the ennouncements of all hotels, cottages and property holders who desire to entertain summer visitors. Send us your cards and rates that those who wish to spend a few weeks away from home may know where to go and what the rates will be. Our price for printing these cards for the season is \$5.00 or \$2.00 per month. Terms in advance. Send your cards and the amount you desire to spend. The Colored American will be sent free during the life of your adverisement.



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For terms, address MRS. CHAS. SMITH, Snow Hill, N. J. Will open Friday, June 1, 1900.

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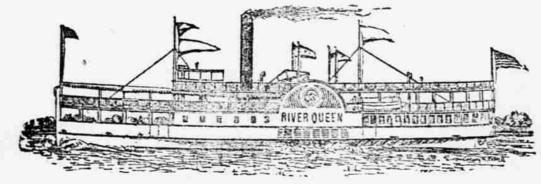
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Sick Benefits.—From \$6 to \$9 per month, paid weekly.

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benefits.

Life Membership -Ten shares of Bank Stock, costing each member \$5 a share, makes aid member a life member. After paying dues and owning the stock one year, said member a life member. After paying dues and owning the stock one year, said the stock will pay the member's dues, and leave a handsome little balance each year. Just calculate—monthly dues, 50 cents per month, and taxes 80 cents per year, amount to \$6.80, and a dividend on ten shares of stock at 20 per cent on the dollar, or \$1 per share, amounts to \$10 annually, which will pay the member's dues, \$6.80, and leave a balance of \$3.20. Should the dues be 35 cents per month, and 80 cents taxes per year, the monthly dues and taxes will amount to \$5 per year. The dividend of \$10 would pay the monthly dues and taxes, and leave a balance of \$5.

Additional Berefits of Life Membership.—Should adverse circumstances befall a member, said member may take his ten shares of stock and Fountain policy, and secure a loan from \$1 to \$88, which will enable said member to tide over the misfortune, pay up the loan, redeem his policy and stock, and go on his way rejoicing.

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Rosebud Fountains are composed for children, male and fe male, from 3 to 14 years of age.

Joining or Benefit Fees, \$1.50; paid spot cash or by instal-

Death Benefits.-\$24.50 and \$37.00. Should death occur within the first year, \$24.50; after the first year \$37 will be paid

within the first year, \$24.50; after the first year \$37 will be paid to the parents or guardians.

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50 cents, 75 cents and \$1 per week, respectively. The highest monthly dues purchase the highest weekly sick benefits.

Monthly Dues and Taxes.—The monthly dues are 10 cents, 15 cents, or 25 cents, respectively, just as the Fountain may decide. Taxes, 10 cents annually, paid semiannually, January and July. The child is allowed to purchase five shares of Bank Stock, which makes his policy self-supporting, with a balance each year.

3. THE REGALLA.

This Department furnishes all Regalia that is worn by the members of the Order, For style and prices write for price list.

4 CLASSES.

B and E (lasses admit a membership, male and female, and secure life and death B Class Polle es are as follows:

## CLASS B TABLE.

			Ages.	Joining Fee.	Value of Certificate.	Annual Dues.	Paid Quarterly.
14	to	25	years	<b>\$2</b> 50	<b>\$200 00</b>	84 75	\$1 20
25	to	35	years	2 75	200 00	4 75	1 20
35	to	45	years	8 00	200 00	5 70	1 43
45	to	50	years	3 25	140 00	6 65	1 66
50	to	55	years	8 25	115 00	6 65	1 66
55	to	60	years	8 50	90 00	7 60	1 90
60	to	65	years	A 50	65 00	7 69	1 90
	Е	E Class Policies are as follows:					

CLASS E TABLE. Value of Annual Ages. 14 to 25 years..... \$2 40 50 to 45 years..... to 50 years.... 450 00 to 55 years...vears (Complete).....

The ages are reckoned from the last birthday.

Remember that the applicant is benefited as soon as his policy is issued.

The annual dues of either of the above named Classes may be divided into quarterly payments of three months each, payable the 1st of January, April, July, and October.

The balance of annual dues remaining to the credit of each member after paying erenses will go to the purchase of Bank Stock for said member.

If dues are paid annually in advance, the member gets 5 per cent drawback in cash, and his full proportion of annual dues. By the latter mode of payment each member is nade his own collector, thereby making the membership independent of the agent, and elf-supporting, and the member receiving the percentage that would be paid to the agent to collect.

You will readily see that the members of either one of these classes are only required to meet once or four times a year, while the Fountains and Rosebuds meet twice a month. Life—nefits.—The members of B Class are allowed to purchase 15 shares of Bank Stoc Lu two shares for each year of their membership. The stock yields a dividend of per cent, or one dollar per share. Should misfortune befall them on their pathway of life, they may take their stock certificates and policies, and secure a loan after a given period of time.

Members of Class E can purchase 25 shares of Bank Stock, and two shares for each year of their membership; likewise, they may take their policies and certificates of Bank Stock, and secure a loan after a given period of time. You will readily see that the membership, in either one of these Classes, like the Fountains and the Rosebuds, benefits the member in health, as well as his family in death.

15. THE TRUE REFORMERS' BANK.



The Savings Bank of the G. F. U. O. T. R. was chartered March, 1888. Its capital stock is \$100,000. It commenced business April 3, 1889. The amount of business to March 1, 1898, is \$3,458,100. The stock of this bank is sold to the membership of the Fountains, Rose-buds, B and E classes, and pays a dividend of 20 per cent on the dollar. Persons can deposit their moneys on time or demand. The bank pays 4 per cent interest on all time deposits. Moneys on demand are held subject to the orders of the depositors. Deposits are received In 1898 this was the only bank in Richmond which continued to pay currency to its depositors during the financial stringency, while the other banks were using scrip.

6. REAL ESTATE OF THE U. O. T. R.

This Department manages and controls the property of the organization. It grew out of the necessity of having offices and buildings in which to carry on the business of the organization, and to furnish halls for the Subordinate Lodges. Buildings new owned, 12; farms, 3; dwellings, 2; hotels, 1; with a fee simple value of \$104,000. Buildings leased, 18.

7. THE REFORMER, the Organ of the Order.

The Reformer is the Beacon-Light, the Head-Light, the General Messenger and the General Agent of the Brotherhood. It is a live race journal, with a circulation of 6,000. It is the medium of the Order, and its columns teem with all its doings and achievements. Send for sample copies. It is published weekly in The Reformer Printing Office, Bichmond, Va., having a first-class job department, and makes a specialty of high-class work