# News of the Lodges and Fraternities

Masonic.

Rough Ashler Lodge No. 74, A. F. & A. M., Omaha Neb. Meetings, first and third Tuesdays in each month. J. H. Wakefield, W. M.; E. C. Underwood, Secretary.

Excelsior Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Thursdays in each month.

Zaha Temple No. 52, A. E. A. O. U. M. S., Omaha, Neb. Meetings the fourth Wednesday in each month. N. Hunter, Ill. Potentate; Walter L. Seals, Recorder.

Shaffer Chapter No. 42, O. E. S., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Friday in each month. Maggie Ransom, R. M. Elnora Obee, Secretary.

Rescue Lodge No. 25, A. F. & A. M., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Monday in each month. Lodge rooms, Twenty-fourth and Charles streets. William Burrell, W. M.; H. Warner, Secretary.

Omaha Lodge No. 146, A. F. and A. M., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Fridays of every month. Lodge room 1018 Douglas street. Will N. Johnson, W. M.; Wynn McCulloch, Secretary.

Keystone Lodge No. 4, K. of P., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Thursday of each month. C. H. Lewis, C. C.; J. H. Glover, K. of R. S.

Western Star No. 1, K. of P.—Meetings second and fourth Thursdays in each month. J. N. Thomas, C. C.; E. R Ro.binson, K. of R. and S.

Omaha Lodge No. 2226, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows. Meeting nights, the first and third Thursdays of each month. Lodge rooms, 2522½ Lake street. G. H. Brown, N. G.; J. C. Belcher, P. S.

Friendship Temple, No. 347, meets the first and third Friday afternoons at 2:30 each month at Twenty-fourth and Charles streets, in U. B. F. Hall, Mrs. Ella Johnson, Princess; Mrs. M. A. Walker, Secretary.

Iroquois Lodge No. 92, I. B. P. O. E. of the World meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month, 24th and Charles streets.

General Scott, Exalted Ruler Jas. W. Scott, Secretary.

Mrs. Ruth Bright, of Davenport, Ia., grand matron O. E. S. of Iowa, is visiting at the home of Mrs. H. K. Hillon, 25th and Maple sts.

#### SOUTH SIDE

The public installation of the Sir Knights and Daughters held Monday May 29th, at A. O. U. W. Temple, 25th and M Sts., was well attended and was the most successful one ever held.

The young ladies of Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church will give a necktie and apron social Thursday, June 8, at the church. Everybody is invited and urged to come out and help these young ladies.

Mrs. Lena Gray spent the greater part of last week in tSanton, Neb.

The Aid of Allen Chapel will meet at the church every Friday at 2 p. m., while the special work the ladies are doing is in progress.

The Omaha Ladies' General Club will meet Tuesday, June 6th, with Mrs. Bostic, on 22nd street.

L. Thornton.

#### FRANKLIN'S GULL

(Larus franklini)



Length, fifteen inches. During its residence in the United States Franklin's guli is practically confined to the interior and is the only inland gull with black head and red bill.

Range: Breeds in the Dakotas, Iowa, Minnesota, and the neighboring parts of southern Canada; winters from the Gulf coast to South America.

Habits and economic status: Nearly all of our gulls are coast-loving species and spend comparatively little of their time in fresh water, but Franklin's is a true inland gull. Extensive marshes bordering shallow lakes are its chosen breeding grounds, and as many such areas are being reclaimed for agricultural purposes it behooves the tillers of the soil to protect this valuable species. When undisturbed this gull becomes quite fearless and follows the plowman to gather the grubs and worms from the newly turned furrows. It lives almost exclusively upon insects, of which it consumes great quantities. Its hearty appetite is manifest from the contents of a few stomachs: A, 327 nymphs of dragonflies; B, 340 grasshoppers, 52 bugs, 3 beetles, 2 wasps, and 1 spider; C, 82 beetles, 87 bugs, 984 ants, 1 cricket, 1 grasshopper, and 2 spiders. About four-fifths of the total food is grasshoppers, a strong point in favor of this bird. Other injurious creatures eaten are billbugs, squash bugs, leaf-hoppers, click beetles (adults of wireworms), May beetles (adults of white grubs), and weevils. Franklin's gull is probably the most beneficial bird of its

Silas Robbins has sufficiently recovered from his recent operation to be able to leave the hospital. He is now at his home on Miami street.

#### LINCOLN, NEB. ·

The M. M. P. Club gave their first shirt waist ball of the season at Walsh's hall Monday evening, May 29th. All report a very enjoyable evening.

The Misses Flossie Patrick and Mary Burton spent the week end visiting Mrs. W. T. Patrick of Aurora, Neb.

We are very glad to see Mr. Dave Nichols back in his barber shop after his serious illness.

The O. S. Club met at the home of Mrs. Louis Holmes Thursday. A Dunbar program was rendered by the members after which the hostess served a delicious three course lunch-

Mrs. Joseph Burton and little son have returned from Brownville, Neb., where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Greene.

Miss Jessie Elders of Chicago is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. Trego McWilliams.

The O. E. S. gave an entertainment at Masonic Hall Friday evening, June 2nd.

Mrs. Erma Ford is visiting Mrs. E. S. Shipman of 851 Vine avenue.

Mr. James Jackson of this city is visiting in Omaha.

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