## ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

### Dannebrog Lodge of Odd Fellows to Move Into New Home.

### RED MEN TO DECIDE ON BY-LAWS

**Many of the Lodges Will Give Hallowe'en Parties This Week—Some Will Entertain with Masked Balls.**

Dannebrog lodge No. 216 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows will move into its new building corner of Twenty-fourth and Leavenworth streets, some time this week. This is one of the nicest lodge hall buildings in the west and the halls have all of the most modern conveniences. The building will be dedicated Sunday afternoon, November 1, at 2 o'clock with a program in which all of the Omaha lodges will take part. It is planned to have the grand master and his staff take charge of the ceremonies.

Omaha lodge No. 2, Hesperian encampment No. 2 and Ruth Rebekah lodge No. 2 will hold a reception for S. K. Greenleaf, George Turkington and Mrs. C. A. Wagner, who were elected to offices in the recent session of the grand lodge held in Lincoln. A splendid program has been prepared for the occasion and a special invitation has been issued to all members of these lodges as well as all visiting Odd Fellows.

Ivy Rebekah lodge No. 33 will give a Hallowe'en dancing party next Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' hall.

Mrs. Susan Kierstead, president, and Mrs. Emma Talbot, secretary, of the Rebekah state assembly visited Ivy Rebekah lodge No. 33 last Thursday evening.

Ruth Rebekah lodge No. 33 held a successful card party last evening.

**I. O. R. M.**

Fontanelle tribe No. 78, Independent Order of Red Men, met last Monday sleep in regular session with a very good attendance. Business of importance was gone through with and the by-laws read for the last time, same being adopted by the committee, but laid over for one week, when they will be taken up again and acted upon by the tribe. Every Redman in Omaha has been asked to attend the next meeting, which will decide the by-laws and will also offer the members a social time.

**Woodmen of the World.**

Schiller camp 204 will give a dance at the German Home this evening.

Manchester grove 1, Woodmen circle, entertained the membership at Seymour hall Thursday evening.

Lithuanian camp 444 will dance at the New Settlers' hall, Thirty-sixth and U streets, Saturday.

Guy Furness and his Omaha Seymour camp 16 are working for the big class of November candidates.

**K. O. T. M.**

Omaha tent No. 75, Knights of the Maccabees, had an open meeting last Monday evening, when a large attendance of the membership and friends was present. A good program was arranged by the committee in charge. There was a number of visitors from Council Bluffs tent. Refreshments were served. Next Monday the degree staff will confer the work on ten candidates. This is the old work as exemplified ten years ago.

**Mogullians.**

Owing to the large class of candidates to be initiated at their next session, consisting of the band mostly, the Mogullians will start the bungle at 7:45 p. m. sharp. This is the session that is to be held on Wednesday evening, November 5, preparatory to the excursion to Papillion the week after.

**Tribe of Ben Hur.**

The members of Mecca court will give a party next Thursday night at their hall, 1306 Harney street. Hallowe'en will be featured in every possible way, witches will tell fortunes, their daughters will dance and guests will be served with cider, apples and pumpkin pie.

**A. O. U. W.**

Union Pacific lodge No. 17, Ancient Order of United Workmen, will not hold a regular session next Friday night on account of the dance. Invitations may be had from any of the members. There will be excellent music and a good time is contemplated.

**Mystic Workers of the World.**

Mystic Workers of the World will give a masked ball Thursday evening, November 6, at Bayright hall, Nineteenth and Farnam streets.

**Fraternal Union of America.**

Mondamin lodge No. 111 will give a Hallowe'en dance for the benefit of the women's drill team Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows hall, Fourteenth and Dodge streets. The committee has arranged everything possible for the comfort and pleasure of the dancers and has secured the services of one of the best orchestras in the city.

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## PATRIOTISM PULLS THE COIN

**Perry Naval Battle Celebration Classed as Money-Making Affair.**

The announcement made at Columbus, O., that an appeal had been made to President Woodrow Wilson on behalf of Mrs. Mary Chapman of Put-in Bay, to investigate an alleged injustice done her in appropriating land upon which to erect the national monument to Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, is likely to uncover a most unusual state of affairs concerning the project.

The appeal is filed by her brother, E. A. Foster, who, in grandiloquent language, speaks of the condemnation as a "nation's disgrace." There are a number of public officials at the capital who are willing to assert that instead of the disgrace being national, that it is local to Ohio, and that it bears upon the promoters of the monument enterprise.

In the memorial addressed to the president an appeal is made that Governor James M. Cox be requested to institute an investigation into the affair. It is quite likely that before very long both Governor Cox and Auditor of State A. V. Donahey will be in the midst of an investigation to ascertain what has been done with the thousands already expended from the liberal appropriations made by the state.

Intelligence has been received that many of the commissioners appointed by other states to participate in the enterprise left Put-in Bay, after the cornerstone laying exercises last Fourth of July, declaring that they were humiliated by what they had seen practiced upon their legislatures.

They were not at all backward in asserting that the whole scheme was a money-making device, devised for the benefit of the hotel keepers and resort owners on South Bass island, who were described as "hoggish in their mad desire to get rich."

At least one of the commissioners asserted that the appropriation from his state should be canceled, and declared that the federal authorities should be advised of the conditions existing before any more work was done upon the memorial.

The reports are to the effect that the island in the vicinity of the memorial is filled with cheap and tawdry shows and beer halls, which poison the air with hideous noises and smells. On the Fourth the place was crowded with pleasure-seekers from Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland and other lake cities, who, instead of participating in the exercises, gave themselves up to drinking, dancing and indulging in the games of chance found on every hand.

The great address of Henry Watterson of Kentucky was delivered to fewer than 150 persons in a dancing pavilion, underneath which were noise-making instruments operated for the benefit of 1,000 people in the beer garden below.

There being no police, Secretary McKenzie Todd of Kentucky was compelled to stand at the entrance and keep order among the hundreds of partially intoxicated women and men who chafed at the dancing being suspended for a few hours. Visiting officials found themselves charged outlandish prices for hotel rooms with little or no accommodation.

The legal department of state stands ready to combat the claim of Mrs. Chapman and has no hesitation in denouncing the entire condemnation proceedings as a "hold-up" on the part of the islanders. The land, for which the state paid about $12,500, was on the duplicate for about $2,500. Some of it, particularly the actual site of the monument, was set down as swamp land of no value. Yet claims aggregated about $25,000.

The present affairs of the Memorial association now are in the hands of an interstate commission, of which Commodore Worthington of Cleveland is the president general. The land purchased by the state at fancy prices has been conveyed to the federal government through an act passed by the general assembly last winter.

Upward of $175,000 has been granted at various times by the state for the benefit of the enterprise. All told, nearly $1,000,000 has been raised by contributing states and the federal government.

Proceedings for the safeguarding of the beautiful memorial and for the cleaning up of the island from a moral and sanitary standpoint may soon be undertaken by both federal and state officials.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## SLAVE LABOR IN INSECT LIFE

**Kidnaping Expeditions of Red Ants on Their Black Inferiors.**

Among the treasures of my harmas laboratory I place in the first rank an ant hill of Polyergus rufescens, the celebrated red ant, the slave-hunting Amazon. Unable to rear her own family, incapable of seeking her food, of taking it even when it is within her reach, she needs servants to feed her and to undertake the duties of housekeeping. The red ants make a practice of stealing children to wait on their community. They ransack neighboring ant hills that contain a different species; they carry home the nymphs, which soon attain maturity in the strange house and become willing and industrious servants.

When the hot weather of June and July sets in, I often see the Amazons leave their barracks of an afternoon and start on an expedition. The column is five or six yards long. If it meets nothing worthy of attention upon the road, it keeps its ranks fairly well; but, at the first hint of an ant hill, the leaders halt and deploy in a swarming throng, which is increased by the others coming up hurriedly. Scouts are detached, and if the alarm proves to be false the column starts on again.

It crosses the garden paths, disappears from sight in the grass, reappears farther on, threads its way through heaps of dead leaves and continues to seek at random.

The distance that the nymph-stealing column covers will vary; it depends on the number of black ants in the neighborhood. At times, ten or twenty yards suffice; at others, a journey of 100 yards or even more may be necessary. I once saw an expedition go beyond the garden. The Amazons scaled the surrounding wall, which was thirteen feet high, and went on into a cornfield. The route taken seems always a matter of indifference to the marching column. It crosses bare soil, thick grass, piles of dead leaves, heaps of stones, masonry, clusters of herbage, without showing any marked preference for one kind of road over another.

The homeward path, however, is strictly determined; it follows the outward track in all its windings and over all obstacles, no matter how difficult. The red ants, laden with their booty, return to the nest by the same road that the accidents of the chase compelled them to take originally. They repass every spot that they passed before; the necessity for doing this appears so imperative to them that no additional fatigue or even the gravest danger can make them alter the track.

Let us suppose on the way out they crossed a thick heap of dead leaves, which, of course, represented to them a pass full of yawning gulfs, where falls are repeated at every moment, where many exhaust themselves trying to climb out of the hollows, where they reach the heights by means of swaying bridges, and at last emerge from the labyrinth of lanes. On their return, although weighed down with their burdens, they will not fall once more to struggle through the trying maze. To avoid the trouble, all that they would have to do would be to swerve slightly from the original path; the good, smooth road is there, hardly a step away. Yet it never occurs to them to go round.—J. Henry Fabre in Youth's Companion.

## Officers High School Senior Class


## PREACHERS BOOST BUSINESS

**Advertising as a Means of Filling Empty Pews in Albany Churches.**

A modern way of going out into the highways and hedges would perhaps be to go out and put an "ad" in the paper. At least this is what the Albany ministers did when, confronted with the problem of constantly diminishing church attendance, they decided to "compel them to come in." The capital of New York usually assumes news prominence by reason of political happenings, but last summer one of the daily papers took a church attendance census. The figures were so small as to provoke comment from a number of religious journals. After such unusual publicity, says the New York Christian Advocate, those in charge of the Albany churches "evidently believed it was time to act." Sunday, September 21, was selected as "Everybody at Church Day."

The pastors of twenty churches inserted a full page advertisement in the Saturday edition of one of the most widely circulated Albany dailies. "The first half of the advertisement was an appeal to the public on the social duty of churchgoing," one reads in the Christian Advocate and it began in these words:

"The man who stays away from the polls on election day fails in a duty to society. Good citizens call him unpatriotic, and rightly. Every man should take his stand one way or another at the polls.

"It does not occur to most people that staying away from church is a kindred failure in duty to society. Men must vote for or against the church. It does not occur to most persons that nonattendance upon religious services is really nothing more nor less than a vote against religious service—a vote to remove them from society.

"Go to almost anyone who is not a church attendant and say: 'I see you do not believe in God.'

"He will answer indignantly that he does believe in God, even if he does not think it necessary to express that belief in Him by attending church and doing Him reverence. But how is the world to know his sentiment if he does not cast his vote? The world knows that by the mere action of going to church a man says: 'I believe in God.'"

The lower half of the page was given to a display announcement of the services of each church. But the real interest in such means lies in the way the end is attained. The Albany ministers are satisfied on this score. As was said in an editorial in a church paper:

"The outcome of this first attack of the united church forces on the lukewarm, the backslidden, the easy going was a notable increase in every instance, at both the morning and evening services, though the day was somewhat lowering, and in the afternoon and evening there was a steady rain. The Albany ministers express themselves very freely as highly pleased with the experiment, and entirely hopeful of the future."—Literary Digest.

**The Prayer Monopoly.**

Judge William H. Hunt said at a luncheon the other day:

"The Chinese beat us in many things—they even beat us in trusts. Once in my boyhood, in New Orleans, I got to know quite well Yot Ling, a laundryman. Yot had hanging above his cot a queer pad of rice paper, like a calendar, all written over with Chinese characters.

"'What is that, Yot?' I asked one day.

"'That,' he answered, 'is a prayer book. I tear off half a sheet every night and half a sheet every morning, for the good pray twice a day.'

"He went on to explain that a corporation in Peking had the monopoly of those prayer books, a copyright protected them, and anyone who infringed the copyright got a year in jail.

"A monopoly of a nation's prayer! A monopoly of oil or meat or steel seems trifling beside that, eh?"—Washington Star.



## LACY TO ASK FOR HEARING

**Discharged City Employe Says the Case is Not Ended.**

### SAYS M'GOVERN HAD SPIES

**Wants to Keep the Record Straight, as He Has Been Working for the City for the Last Twenty-Seven Yars.**

M. J. Lacy, chief field engineer of the city engineering department, who was, along with Chief Draftsman Harry E. Cotton, discharged by City Commissioner Thomas McGovern, may ask for a hearing before the city commission. Lacy said:

"I have never, as McGovern charges, given a minute of my time during the working day to private contractors. The commissioner has seen cause to reflect on my character and he will have to answer for it.

"The commissioner employed spies to watch his men work. He asked me to spy on and report on other employes and I refused. My trouble with McGovern dates back to last year.

"I have been in this department twenty-seven years, and all I ask now is that my character be kept clean. This affair has not been settled yet."

Lacy said the men removed by McGovern were discharged to make room for the commissioner's friends. McGovern did not discuss the appointments he will make to fill the vacancies caused by the discharge of Lacy and Cotton.

M. F. Black of the drafting department will, it is rumored, replace Cotton. No successor to Lacy has been chosen. Cotton refused to discuss his discharge at this time.

## MOHLER AND MUNROE WILL INSPECT UNION PACIFIC

President Mohler and Vice President Munroe of the Union Pacific leave for the west today, making an inspection of the lines of road through the mountain states. They probably will go on to Los Angeles, where they will meet Chairman Lovett of the executive committee of the Harriman system.

## TEACHERS WILL USE THE GAYETY FOR MEETINGS

The Gayety theater will be used for the accommodation of the primary section of the Nebraska State Teachers' association when it meets here the first week in November. This branch of the association has grown to such proportions that large accommodations are necessary.











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