

ELKS HOLD SOCIAL SESSION

Seventeenth Anniversary of Lodge No. 39 Appropriately Observed.

BEST PEOPLE HAVE ROYAL GOOD TIME

History of the Lodge Recounted by Judge Shields and Members Contribute to Evening's Pleasure in Various Ways.

Four symbolic elkheads looked down Saturday in the Elks' rooms in the War block through the haze of Havana smoke upon the assembled heads of the two-legged Elks, and enjoyed as much as stuffed elk heads may, the seventeenth annual celebration of No. 39 of the Benevolent and Protective Order. Judge Vinsonhalter drove disorderly confusion through his desk top with the official gavel at 9 o'clock and after a crack at Arthur Metz to the effect that that gentleman had inserted the words "Temple fast" in the invitation as "Low Dutch for 'Turn on the Faucet,'" he read telegrams of congratulation from Milton Nobles, Spud Farish and Ed P. Mullen. P. J. McCormack opened the program with a bluff, playing handsomely on the piano "Old Black Joe," and Gellenbeck's orchestra followed in kind with "Old Kentucky Home." But no one took these very seriously.

Judge G. W. Shields and his historical researches constituted the serious portion of the program. He said in part: "The Omaha lodge is one of the oldest in all over Elksdom as one of the most important. Since its organization it has taken no unimportant part in the activities of the grand lodge. The influence of Omaha Elks had a good deal of effect in making the grand lodge lodge in its early years. More recently in the Jamestown-Atlantic City fight which bid fair to break the Elks in two and was the greatest contention which has ever arisen. No. 29 took such a prominent part that the settlement was made by what is known as the 'Omaha idea.' Omaha always got the honor of the controlling part in this most important fight of Elks. This lodge is twenty-six in the numerical list. Its members are leaders in all branches of the lodge, no faults and while we have made mistakes, with such members we cannot fail to progress and cannot fail to be a force for good in the community."

Judge Shields said that the true anniversary of the lodge was February 7. Tom Keene, the noted actor, while in Omaha organized a committee to see what could be done in forming a lodge. At that time there were only thirty-eight lodges, all in the east, numbering largely actors and newspaper men, and nothing was known of it here. A lodge was formed in January, 1885, and in February a delegation from the Chicago lodge installed No. 39. The dispensation from the grand lodge, however, was not granted until December 12. The twenty charter members were: John Francis, Dwight G. Hall, H. W. Hyde, H. L. Hall, J. W. Garneau, E. C. Whittman, W. C. Gregory, A. S. Davenport, Alfred Sorenson, Thomas Boyd, I. W. Miner, F. R. Murray, J. W. Cartan, W. E. Annin, R. C. McClure, D. W. Haynes, D. W. Van Cott, B. F. Woodbridge, W. N. Babcock and C. C. Hallett. Of these only I. W. Miner, Thomas F. Boyd, Alfred Sorenson and A. B. Davenport are now connected with the lodge.

The judge gave some interesting details of the Elks' club, which had such fine quarters in the Continental block, and ended \$2,000 in debt after receiving loans of \$2,500 from the lodge, bringing the Elks into disrepute and nearly wrecking the lodge.

OMAHA SUBURBS.

Florence.

Captain Reynolds had been confined to his room for the past few days. He is not seriously ill.

Bellevue.

Coach Pipal predicts something out of the ordinary in the way of games week.

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Mr. Jones is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

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The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church will give an entertainment and hold the annual sale of fancy articles at the city hall next Thursday evening.

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THE INJURY WAS NOT SERIOUS, BUT HE WILL PROBABLY LOSE THE SIGHT OF HIS EYE.

HESSON.

Fred Lang has been ill at his home the past week with pneumonia.

Benson.

Tom Hawkins has been seriously ill during the past week with an attack of pneumonia.

At the home of Mr. Long has been lifted, and three little sons are now rapidly recovering.

At the Methodist Episcopal church last Sunday evening the pastor read a paper on "The Difficulties of Preaching Today."

Services will be held today at the Methodist church at the usual hours.

Miss Lettie Smith came up from Plattsmouth last Sunday morning and visited with her sister, Mrs. G. W. Stiger, till Sunday evening.

Postmaster and Mrs. John McGuire returned from Danforth, Mo., last Wednesday, where they spent a few days visiting with their son Lin.

Mrs. Scott McCoy, formerly of Benson, now of Louisville, Ky., visited last Tuesday in Benson on her homeward journey from New York.

William F. Bennett arrived in Benson last Sunday evening, after an absence of twenty-eight days from Nebraska, and is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Tom Hunt.

June Grove entertained a number of her little friends at her home last Tuesday evening in honor of her birthday anniversary. After a social time refreshments were served.

The first meeting of the Epworth League Reading circle was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crews last Tuesday evening.

The Benson boys' club gave an oyster social at the city hall last Friday evening for the benefit of the orphanage and reading room.

During last week a sum of \$70 was raised by the Benson fire department for the benefit fund of Omaha's lost firemen.

The annual meeting of the Epworth League was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnson, over-seer, W. H. Tinkler, clerk, and Howard, treasurer, Ben. Morton, recorder, and J. Johndro, receiver.

West Ambler.

Mrs. Carbury was the guest of Windsor relatives and friends on Tuesday.

Mr. Charles Syas is erecting a new fence around his premises and orchard.

Mrs. John Ebert was the guest of her sisters in South Omaha on Tuesday.

Mr. Carl Wren, of Council Bluffs, the first of the week to work, returning on Friday.

Miss Edith Darling is spending the early part of the winter with her mother and brother.

Mrs. Maestrick was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. William McDonald, on Monday.

Mrs. Hickman has gone to Norfolk to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Musselman.

Mrs. Dayton Smith was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Pitman, and of Mrs. Speert on Thursday.

AFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Light Thrown on Paving Methods by the New Law.

MUCH QUESTION ARISES OVER MATTER

Discussion Comes After Council Addresses Itself to Proposition of Paving South Twenty-Fourth Street.

Since the city council has taken up the matter of paving South Twenty-fourth street and Railroad avenue many people have made the assertion that they do not understand how this can be done without a new law.

The last legislature passed a law giving the mayor and council the power to cause, by street or part thereof leading from the corporate limits into the city.

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The Baptist mission at Thirty-fourth and K streets will reopen this afternoon. Sunday school will be at 2:30 o'clock, and preaching at 7:30 p. m.

Home Walker was taken into custody yesterday by Chief Briggs. Walker is slightly deranged and will be taken to his home in Iowa by friends.

Mrs. W. E. Bonney, 69 North Twentieth street, gave a social yesterday afternoon at her home for the benefit of the Presbyterian church building fund.

Magie City Council No. 278, Knights and Ladies of Security, will give a casino ball on Monday evening in the hall over the South Omaha National bank.

The concert given by the Amphion club at the Workman temple Friday evening was a most successful one and the entertainment deserved a larger audience.

Yesterday afternoon City Treasurer Howe received a check from the Omaha Packing company for real and personal taxes for 1903. These taxes amounted to \$4,336.

Rev. Andrew Finch, pastor of the United Methodist church, this morning on "Knowing Your Friends."

Next Sunday the local Young Men's Christian association will have charge of the Protestant churches here, and endeavor to start a movement towards raising funds to pay off pressing debts.

Rev. A. R. G. O. of Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church, will exchange pulpits with Rev. Dr. Wheeler this forenoon. Rev. Dr. Wheeler's topic will be "Love, the Great Mathematical."

On Thursday evening the Southeast Improved Order, Madison department, for elected these officers: John Kennedy, president; J. C. Knight, vice president; J. M. McClary, secretary; J. C. Alton, treasurer.

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