

ECHOES OF THE ANTE-ROOM

Royal Arch Masons Elect Omaha Man Grand Priest.

LODGES ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

Several Orders Choose Leaders for the ensuing year at last week's meetings—What Lodges Are Doing.

The two days' session of the Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska held in Omaha last week resulted in the choosing of the following officers...

The annual meeting of the Nebraska Veteran Free Masons' association...

Eight parloria of Heptennial encampment No. 2 went to Falls City, Neb., Saturday...

Omaha lodge No. 2 will have four candidates for the third degree next Friday night...

Heptennial encampment No. 2 will have seven candidates for the patriarchal degree at its next regular meeting...

Classmen of America.

The following program was given at the open session of the Classmen of America Friday evening...

Royal Neighbors of America. Daisy camp, Royal Neighbors of America, held an election of officers Wednesday night...

Golden Rod camp, No. 234, Royal neighbors of America, held its election of officers last Tuesday evening...

Woodmen of the World. Alpha camp No. 1, Woodmen of the World, Wednesday evening initiated two candidates and received twelve applications...

Tribes of Ben Hur. Last Thursday evening Omaha court No. 10, Tribes of Ben Hur, elected the following officers...

Loyal Mystic Legion. The Loyal Mystic Legion of America, Omaha council, No. 307, celebrated the anniversary of the order at the lodge hall Wednesday evening...

Woman's Relief Corps. The following officers for the Woman's Relief Corps, Custer Post, No. 82, were elected...

Child Agricultural Exhibitor. Ruth E. Colby, a 16-year-old school girl of Windsor, Mo., has been an exhibitor at the St. Louis Centennial agricultural fair...

Potentate Tangier Temple



LUTHER H. HOYT.

Luther H. Hoyt of Benson is the newly elected illustrious potentate of Tangier Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order of the...

Notes of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Hoyt has been a member of the Masonic lodge for ten years and succeeds R. G. Mefford in the highest office in the temple of the Shrine...

Christmas Bazar in Bee Building Three More Days

Associated Charities and Temple Israel Will Have Charge of Fair in Bee Building Rotunda.

Plans for the last three days of fairs in the Bee rotunda are to make these distinctive in the series of successful sales...

The Associated Charities fair will include the work done at the workrooms at the Park Wide home. This work is both attractive and useful...

YOUNG WOMAN HANGS SELF. Miss Nannie Hymer, Assistant Postmaster at Platte City, Mo., committed suicide.

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State Pioneers and Historians to Meet

Annual Session Will Be Held at Lincoln Beginning Ninth of January.

LINCOLN, Dec. 17.—(Special).—The Nebraska State Historical society and Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' association sessions will open with a luncheon at the Lincoln hotel Monday evening, January 9...

Two Weeks Alone With Broken Ankle

Plight of Lighthouse Keeper is Discovers by Associate When He Returns from Vacation.

LEWES, Del., Dec. 17.—Lewis Robinson, assistant keeper of the fourteen-foot bank lighthouse, suffered for nearly two weeks with a broken ankle, because his signals for assistance could not be understood by passing vessels...

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PIPE LINE FOR OIL TO OMAHA

Independent Line to Be Run from Casper, Wyo.

NO END TO THE OIL SUPPLY

Fields Are Three Hundred and Fifty Miles Long and Hundred Eighty Miles Wide—Brooks Hails Producers' Association.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 17.—Resolving from the Wyoming Convention of Oil Industries, called and presided over by Governor Bryan at B. Brooks and held at Cheyenne during the last three days, the newly organized Wyoming Oil Producers' association today issued a lengthy statement that boldly raps over the knuckles the powers-that-be at "the Broadway" and some likewise abroad the world, which is to bear a good deal about Wyoming oil.

In brief, this statement sets forth that Wyoming is blessed with a vast area of oil fields 300 miles in length and 180 miles across their greatest width; that Wyoming's oil sands are the most prolificiferous in the United States and are producing all grades of crude oil; that the development of these valuable and vast resources has been ignored by those highest in authority...

While striking a blow for independence and development, the association declares it will take every possible means to protect the unwary against wildcat operations in Wyoming oil lands and oil stocks.

Vast Fields of Oil. Dr. Charles J. Fernald, D. S. C., and F. G. S., an eminent English geologist and mineralogist, possessing a generous income, which he has spent for some years in conducting scientific research and tests in the Salt Creek oil field of this state, concluded his address to the convention with a remarkable statement, based on his own observations, in part as follows:

"Geographically, Wyoming is destined to be America's central source of supply for crude petroleum, and in three years we will show the world it is the source of every kind of oil known to commerce. It is the place where the great transcontinental railroads will get their fuel oil; also it is the place where the Standard Oil company must get a large part of its supply when the eastern oil fields die out a few years hence. I can bring \$200,000 of foreign capital into Wyoming the moment the federal government grants its legislation to clear the titles of oil lands in Wyoming, as well as to prevent claim jumping."

Represent Foreign Capital. Colonel Edward H. Power was one of the central figures of the convention. He told the assembled producers, refiners and mineralogists that he appeared before them as the representative of foreign capital and the apostle of cheap transportation for Wyoming crude oil.

"The cheapest way to transport Wyoming oil is to make it transport itself through a pipe line," he declared. "A pipe line to Omaha is what we need, and the oil will do the rest. It seems a very elementary proposition. Here we are 7,000 feet above the level of the Missouri river, and no intervening mountains. It does not require a genius to make oil run down hill, does it? There is an open market for our oil. We must have a system of short pipe lines coupling up these fields, and then build a main pipe line down the grade to Omaha. Through this association we can convince the world we have a big, bona fide oil proposition here."

A touch of the wild romance of the old frontier times was introduced by Colonel A. S. Merzer, who was a pioneer in the state. As soon as mining was placed upon a substantial basis in the Black Hills, he told the convention, prospectors in the Big Horn basin began to stir the rich green oil from springs along the Belle Fourche river to burn in their lamps, or to haul it with sixteen-mule teams and wagon into Deadwood, where they sold it for the enormous price of \$3 a barrel until the advent of a railroad supplied Deadwood more cheaply.

Governor Bryan B. Brooks was elected president of the Wyoming Oil Producers' association for 1911 and Colonel Power vice president.

Bigger, Better Buses—That is what advertising in The Bee will do for your business.

A Victor for Christmas. Every day one sees in the newspapers, announcements telling that such and such a noted opera singer is making records for the "Victor" people; doesn't it make you feel that YOU ought to have that singer's voice in YOUR home too? And wouldn't YOUR folks be enraptured with such music?

At as little as \$10. The genuine "Edison" Phonograph also a "Joy Bringer" THE EDISON PHONOGRAPH. It's the machine that not only reproduces records, but MAKES them. Now really, wouldn't it be a treat to hear in after years, the voices recorded on THIS Christmas by your loved ones? Yes, indeed, such a gift is worth while.

Machines shipped anywhere and everywhere on FREE trial—then sold on easy payments if the outfits suit perfectly in every way. NEBRASKA CYCLE CO. THE SPECIALTY HOUSE. Western Distributors for the National Phonograph Co. and Victor Talking Machine Co. 15th and Harney, Omaha, 334 Broadway, Council Bluffs.

Christmas Suggestions—Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Ladies' Shopping Bags, Toilet Rolls, Gentlemen's Bill Books and Card Cases, Collar Bags, Stick Pin Cases, Jewel Cases, Music Rolls, Medicine Cases and Flasks, Attorney's Brief Cases, Hat Trunks, Wardrobe Trunks, Reliable Goods, reasonable prices. Where trunks are made. Freling & Steidle 1803 Farnam St.

Give him a Columbia! —A Columbia Graphophone AT \$17.50 or \$100 or at almost any price between. —Or a Columbia Grafonola. At \$150 for the "Mignon," as illustrated here, or at \$200, \$150, \$100 and \$50 for other models.

And complete the welcome of your gift with a varied selection of Columbia Double-Disc Records. Come in and make your choice. We will play any selection you wish to hear. COLUMBIA PHONOGRAPH CO., General Distributors 1311-13 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb. For Sale by Dealers Everywhere.

Christmas Sale at Melcher's Drug Store. This is our first Christmas in this location. It will be a big one, too—one to be long remembered, if prices and stock count for anything. For this special sale, that ends December 24th, we quote some of the attractive prices and mention a few of the lines we carry: All 50c Perfumes, per ounce... 25c 1 pt. 50c Bay Rum, per pt... 45c 25c Peroxide... 10c 1 pt. bottle Witch Hazel... 15c 2 cakes Palm Olive Soap... 25c All Shaving Soaps, per cake... 5c 25c Arnie Tooth Soap... 15c 25c Entylol Tooth Paste... 15c All 50c Tooth Brushes... 15c 25c Zedenta Tooth Paste... 15c 25% discount on all Hair Brushes. 25% discount on all Cloth Brushes. For Men: Cigars—The very best brands. Military Brushes. Brushes and Comb. Razors. Safety Razors. Shaving Brushes, etc. For Women: Brush and Comb Sets. Manicure Cases. Manicure Stamps. Extra fine Hair Brushes and Combs. Mirrors, etc. Humphrey's Homeo. Medicine Co., Cor. William and Ann Streets, New York.

Business and Drink Won't Mix

You'll have to cut out one or the other. The man who wishes to succeed in tiding himself over a difficulty these days arranges for more credit and keeps his mind clear to handle the details—no liquor for him.

The Man Who Drowns Worry in Drink is Lost

There are thousands of men in business today who will not be in business this day next year. There are hundreds of thousands who made a good start in the world who have nothing this day but poverty—Drink did it. There are millions of men in this country today who are on a small salary and who must fight most bitterly to even keep up a decent appearance, because they spend their small surplus in a saloon instead of a Bank Account.

The Neal 3-Day Drink Cure Is the "Easy Way" to Stop Drink

Our Institution has permanently cured hundreds, regardless of how much or how long men may have drunk, IN THREE DAYS' TIME. This Cure is accomplished by the administration of a vegetable alternative tonic, which has proven to be a true antidote to alcohol. No hypodermic injections or narcotic drugs of any kind are used; hence no injurious results can possibly accrue to the patient taking the NEAL CURE. For Full Particulars Address THE NEAL INSTITUTE CO., OMAHA BRANCH 1502 South Tenth Street, Omaha, Neb.