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WORK OF WOODMEN OF WORLD
Report of Sovereign Clerk to Sovereign Camp Gives Some Interesting Details of Economic Business.

Announcement that the contract for the Woodmen of the World building at Fourteenth and Farnam streets has been let is expected within a few days. The consideration of this contract is one of the most important things that will be taken up by the sovereign camp, which opened its session at Rochester, N. Y., Tuesday.

The report of John T. Yates, sovereign clerk, is voluminous, but many interesting facts indicative of the growing popularity of this fraternal organization may be obtained by a perusal of what at first glance would appear to be a dry document. This report was presented to the assembly in Rochester yesterday.

In connection with the pertinent interest in the building, perhaps one of the items of most general interest shown in the report is a recapping of the standing of the building fund at the close of the last calendar year.

Condition of the Building Fund.
In 1909 the receipts of the building fund were \$119,000.00. In the same year the disbursement was \$240,000. In 1910 the receipts were \$116,515.33, with disbursements of \$214,648.00, leaving a cash balance for the two years of \$71,867.33. This fund, at that time, included \$125,000 which was transferred from the general fund in 1909. To this balance \$340,000 was added from the building at Fourteenth and Farnam streets, making a total in the building fund at present of \$511,867.33.

While the figures have been kept secret by the building committee, which recently opened the bids in a meeting in Chicago, it is said that the structure will cost in the neighborhood of \$950,000. The executive committee is expected to ratify the action of the building committee at the general meeting.

The head office of this great organization is an institution the value of which can not be overestimated, but which is not very well understood by the people of Omaha, where it is located. An idea of its value may be had from the statement that at present it employs 250 clerks exclusively of the officials, and that the weekly payroll is at present \$3,750. This gives some notion of the magnitude of the business the order carries on.

The Woodmen of the World has just attained its majority. It was organized in Omaha in June, 1890, and is consequently just twenty-one. It now has over 60,000 members, with more than 10,000 camps. This reserve or emergency fund amounts to approximately \$13,000,000, and over \$40,000,000 has been paid to the widows and orphans of deceased members. This is a record of which the officers of the Woodmen of the World are justly proud, and one that can be excelled by no other fraternal insurance organization.

Officers of the Organization.
The sovereign officers all are in Rochester this week. They are: Joseph Cullen Root, sovereign commander of Omaha, Kansas; J. H. Prager, sovereign adviser, of Dallas, Tex.; Morris Sheppard, sovereign banker, of Texas; Mr. Yates, sovereign clerk, of Omaha; H. P. Simral, sovereign escort, of Columbus, Miss.; B. Wood Jewell, sovereign watchman, of Omaha; D. Bradshaw, sovereign sentry, of Little Rock, Ark.

The members of the sovereign board of managers are: N. H. Maxey of Muskogee, Okl.; E. H. Fitzgerald of Kansas City, Mo.; William Reuse of Cleveland, O.; T. E. Patterson of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Elisha B. Lee of N. Y.; Edward D. Campbell of Port Huron, Mich.; R. T. Wells, Murray, Ky.; Dr. Ira W. Porter of Omaha and Dr. A. D. Cloyd of Omaha are the sovereign physicians of the order.

Monday Will Be Discount Day in the China Section—Rare Pricing

Electric and gas lamps in all styles, 33 1/2% Less
Stouffer's Hand Painted China at... 25% Less
Rock Crystal Cut Glassware at... 25% Less
Lobby's and Other Cut Glassware at... 20% Less
B. & H. French Hand Painted China, at 50% Less
All Dinnerware, at... 20% Less
Jardinieres, at... 25% Less
Nickel and Copper Coffee Machines and Chafing Dishes, at... 20% Less
Fancy Art Brass Ware, at... 20% Less
Yates and Rio-a-Bro, at... 20% Less
Selling Silver Deposit Ware, at... 20% Less
All Hanging and Parlor Lamps, at... 20% Less

The clerks in the statisticians' department have helped in the compilation by a commission appointed by the associated fraternities of America of a new mortality table. This table embraces the experience of the largest orders and a great number of exposed lives extending over a period of years. From twenty-five to thirty clerks have been used on this work alone after the move had been endorsed by the executive council of the Woodmen of the World.

Postage Stamps Important.
In connection with the correspondence that is carried on in the home office the postage expense is an interesting item, or rather, expenditure. For he surely must be a millionaire who can talk of \$7,000 worth of postage stamps a year as an "expense." One clerical supervisor of the stamp department, which is much like a bank as far as withdrawals are concerned. From the highest office in the company to the clerk lowest in salary grade, a requisition something like a bank check is required before a stamp is given up.

In the mailing room of the head clerk's office the members of the members of the order are set in type. There are 1,400 of what the printers call "galley" of this type, and the combined weight of the addresses is more than twenty-two tons. The Sovereign Visitor, the official paper of the order, is mailed from the home office. The postage on this magazine is \$1,900 a month. Sixty-five tons of paper are utilized in one issue of the paper and it requires six and one-half carloads at ten tons to the car to carry it to the subscribers.

The advancement of the name Woodmen of the World into new territory and new homes is exemplified in some of the figures quoted by Mr. Yates. For instance, the order started in the year 1910 with 500,300 members, carrying \$679,689,400 insurance. The records on the last day of 1910 show insurance to the extent of \$758,304,100, and a membership of 553,465 persons. That indicates a net gain of 43,097 members and \$78,614,700 insurance.

Growth of the Year.
These figures are taken after deducting the lapses, and indicate only the bona fide enrollment. In reality 118,905 members, representing liabilities of \$148,271,500 were initiated into the secrets of the society, but for various reasons the usual percentage of lapses was apparent, such as is the case in all insurance societies. With these figures, however, there was a gain of 12,346 members and \$14,167,900 insurance over the gross business done in the preceding year. The average age of the new members was 27 years, of the total more than 26,000 members of the order were only temporarily suspended. Experience indicates, Mr. Yates says, that at least 50 per cent of these will be reinstated.

Entire Tragedy Trio Wiped Out by Death
Third Victim of Italian Imbroglia, Frank Bandieri, Dies in Hospital Saturday.

The third victim of the shooting among Italians at 708 North Eighteenth street early Thursday morning was added Saturday morning, when Frank Bandieri died at 7 o'clock in St. Joseph's hospital.

MESSANGER BOY PEEVED BECAUSE PANTS GET WET
But It Turns Out They Got Soaked from a Trip to the Swimming Pond.

"Don't you expect to get wet when you go swimming," was the abrupt question asked of Harlan Himebaugh, a 14-year-old A. D. T. messenger, when the latter asked for a warrant for the arrest of Desk Clerk Nelson, of the American District Telegraph company, at the police station this morning.

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Bargains in House Dresses, Kimonos, Corset Covers
A Small Lot of Percale House Dresses, in light and dark colors, broken sizes that were formerly priced up to \$2.50, while they last, \$1.00.

About Fifteen Styles of Corset Covers, trimmed with laces and embroideries; good 39c values; on sale tomorrow, at choice, 25c.



ROOMS FOR POSTAL DIVISION
Three Are Being Kept Vacant at the Federal Building.

EXPECT OMAHA TO LAND IT
Denver is Said to Be the Only Other City Now Being Considered by the Authorities, with Omaha Leading.

NEW THOUGHTERS
National Assembly Opens at Lyric Theater with Service and Music—Continues Eight Days.

BENNETTS
Let us finish the pictures you take with your Kodak today. Only Valox paper used for printing and work guaranteed to be satisfactory.

Fifty Women Will Get a Wonderful Suit for \$10.00 if They Come to This Store Monday---\$19.50 to \$25 Values
We have always believed in giving our customers the benefit of a bargain while the season is right for them and while they can appreciate the money they save on the item. This sale of suits tomorrow is no exception to the rule.

\$19.50 to \$25.00 Values at \$10.00 for Your Choice

Supply All Your Summer Wash Goods Wants Monday
While assortments are at their best—while pattern and color ranges afford unlimited variety for satisfactory choosing. We make special mention of some of the most popular priced lines.

EXTRA SPECIALS FOR MONDAY ONLY
Colored Linens and French pure linens, full 40 inches wide, suitable for suits, coats and dresses; come in all of the most down-to-date shades—regular 75c qualities, for Monday only, the yard, 59c.

If It's Quality in Silk Gloves You Seek Come Here for Kayser's and Fowne's
In these gloves you get quality in fabric, in workmanship, in dye and finish. They are made from only pure thread silk, reinforced at the top and equipped with double finger tips so they will give the maximum of wear. Then, only the purest dyes are used—colorings that will not fade on the skin in the warmest weather or irritate in any way. And they are fashioned to fit in the making—all of which goes to make the best glove quality; the only kind you will find in the Bennett store. Complete lines in both makes—from which the following specimens are taken.

A Kayser Novelty Silk Glove at \$1.25 the Pair
Finely made, four-button lengths, with narrow tucked wrists. Come in black, white and colors and all sizes.

The Most Wanted Silks at Special Prices
Many women fairly "jumped" at the chance to get these silks at their regular prices when they were first placed on display. We wouldn't reduce the prices now if it wasn't getting along towards the time when it becomes necessary to balance up the various lines. Rich bargains, sure, for those who come early in the morning.

Money-Saving Opportunities in the Domestic Store

20% Discount on All Guaranteed Willow Plumes, Monday Only
Almost every woman in Omaha is familiar with the quality of our ostrich plumes, and all know that this is the only store in the state that guarantees every plume it sells—which fact is all the more reason why you should come Monday and secure them while prices are so greatly reduced.

PRIZES TO YOUNG GARDENERS
One Hundred and Twenty-Five Bring Results of Their Efforts.

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HERBERT GRAU, FRANK DEWEY, CASIUS SHIMER, FRANK HURD, JAMES PARK AND ARTHUR KLAUSCHIE
Beets—Roy Harper, Deen Ranne, Cassius Shimer, Frank Hurd, Tom Elvins, Hermann Washington, Harold Knes, Arthur Klauschie, Irving Horton, Willie Kretschmer and Harley Anderson.