

LODGE ROOM NEWS OF GREATER OMAHA

Omaha Masons Take Special Train to Arnold to Confer Scottish Rite Degree.

MANY INSTALL OFFICERS

Twenty-five Scottish Rite Masons of Omaha journeyed to Arnold, Custer county, Nebraska, in a special train over the Union Pacific Saturday to confer the Scottish Rite degree upon sixty Arnold candidates. The party was led by Frank C. Patton, and including the fourteenth were venerable master, and degrees up to conferred. In addition to the Omahas, some 100 Scottish Rite Masons of Custer county attended the event. Those who made the trip from Omaha were:

John B. Steine, George W. Flitner, Edgar Howie, E. D. Heile, John W. Cooper, Charles Tabor, Edgar L. Hoag, Jr. N. C. Prince, Charles L. Rhoad, J. M. Henry, Zora D. Clark, W. B. Tapp, W. L. Herring, Carl E. Herring, James B. Cain, Jr., Arthur C. Pannone, Thomas Johnson, Walter MacCune, John H. Grossman.

Woodmen of the World.

Schiller camp, No. 304, of the Woodmen of the World, will meet on Thursday evening at German Home to transact its regular business and install its officers for the year 1917.

South Omaha, No. 211, has closed a lease for the term of one year on the third floor of the Lewis block, known as Odd Fellows hall, opposite the postoffice, South Side, and will hold its first meeting there Wednesday evening, January 10, to install its officers for the ensuing year. Dr. F. M. Faulk will be again installed as consul commander, Frank Helm as advisor and A. E. Carter as clerk.

Nebraska Lpa, No. 183, will hold its first annual meeting for 1917 on Thursday evening at Bohemian Turner hall, Thirteenth and Dorcas streets. The old officers were all re-elected and the meeting will be in the nature of a good-fellow gathering with renewed pledges for hearty cooperation.

Benson camp, No. 288, will give a New Year's party on Tuesday evening at Woodmen of the World hall, Benson. This camp's membership has reached 150 members, making it one of the strongest suburban camps in the organization.

Paderewski camp, No. 522, members have decided to make all payments for monthly dues to Security State bank, South Side, instead of to the clerk, Stanley Ulanekki, as heretofore. A reorganization of this camp is promised for the January meeting.

German American camp, No. 104, holds its first regular meeting for the month on Tuesday evening, at New Bohemian Turner hall, Thirteenth and Dorcas streets. That old veteran Woodman, Henry Jeasen, has been re-elected clerk for another year.

Omaha Seymour camp, No. 16, will hold a public joint installation of officers for the year 1917 with Frazier Grove, No. 1, Tuesday evening at Crounse hall. Colonel L. E. Patterson, sovereign auditor, will act as installing officer.

Tribe of Ben Hur. Mecca court will give its fourth dance of the season, January 4. Janu-

ary 11 installation of officers will be held.

Odd Fellows.

Omaha lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will install officers for 1917 Friday evening. Members from lodges 10, 20, 183, 216, 225, 148, 221 and 225 are expected to be present. You can also bring a friend if you know he would be interested in Odd Fellowship, as the installation is to be an open one. Brothers Rev. J. F. Poucher and Rev. J. E. Flockhart are expected to be present. Light refreshments will be served.

Royal Neighbors of America.

Pansy camp, No. 10, Royal Neighbors of America, will hold its annual installation of officers Friday evening at the Swedish auditorium. An interesting program has been prepared.

Knights and Ladies of Security.

Omaha council, No. 2295, will give a flower dance Monday, January 1, 1917, at the Swedish auditorium, Sixteenth and Chicago streets.

Ladies Auxiliary to Clan Gordon.

The next regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to Clan Gordon No. 63, Order of Scottish Clans, will be held at the home of Mrs. William Britton, 2511 Chicago street, Wednesday afternoon.

Junior Mechanics Meet.

Junior O. U. A. M., Omaha council No. 1, will hold installation of its officers at the hall in Labor temple Saturday evening, January 6.

Woodmen Circle.

W. A. Fraser Grove, No. 1, Woodman Circle, will hold a joint installation of officers with Omaha Seymour camp, No. 16, Woodmen of the World, on Tuesday evening. This is to be an open meeting, to which all members and their friends are invited. The installation is to be followed by a social hour and informal dance.

The card party and dance given by the Emma B. Manchester Grove, No. 156, Woodmen Circle, at their hall in the Crounse block Thursday evening was largely attended and those present spent a most enjoyable evening. The next regular dance given by the Grove will be held January 25, and will be in the form of a masquerade.

Order of Eagles.

Omaha Aerie, No. 38, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will hold a public installation of officers-elect for the year 1917 at their hall, 416 South Seventeenth street, Thursday evening. The following named officers will be installed:

President—A. W. Taggart. Vice President—A. P. Watt. Chaplain—C. A. Grimes. Secretary—E. C. Schroeder. Treasurer—J. D. Behrens, jr. Conductor—J. E. Diamond. Inside Guard—A. Mayhew. Outside Guard—A. T. Menden. Trustee—Charles R. Rite. Physicians—Dr. W. A. Hostetter and Dr. H. Hirschmann.

White Shrine.

The Sojourners club of Malva White Shrine will meet Tuesday afternoon at the Masonic temple. Committee in charge are Mrs. E. L. Dodder, Mrs. Sam Dresler, jr.; Mrs. John Douglas and Mrs. Mary Drury.

Fraternal Aid Union.

Mondamin lodge, No. 111, Fraternal Aid Union, will hold its annual installation of officers Tuesday eve-

ning at 8:15. It is also announced that on January 16 a prize masque ball will be given. Stenhausen's orchestra will furnish the music and six prizes will be given to the best costumed.

Banner lodge, No. 11, Fraternal Aid Union, will hold a public installation of its officers at the Labor temple Tuesday evening, January 2, 1917.

Spanish War Veterans.

The General H. W. Lawton auxiliary will hold its regular meeting and installation of officers at Memorial hall next Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m.

W. C. O. T.

Friday evening the St. Anges court, W. C. O. T., elected officers for the coming year:

Chief ranger, Mrs. Anna Caldwell; vice chief ranger, Mrs. Theresa Webber; financial secretary, Mrs. Josephine Schuchert; recording secretary, Miss Anna Cuff; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Farrell; trustees, Mrs. Rose Kearns, Mrs. Jolla Mangum, Mrs. Victoria Vana, conductors, Mrs. Rose Kearns, Miss Catherine Cuff; sentinels, Mrs. Cecelia Burke, Mrs. Anna Connor, physician, Dr. McCrain, Dr. Shannahan. Mrs. Anna Caldwell was elected as delegate to the triennial convention in 1917. Mrs. Josephine Sheehan as alternate.

Vim Truck for Every Use Has Been Provided

A rather impressive conception of the various uses made of light motor trucks by the business world of today is brought out by a pamphlet printed by the manufacturers of the Vim truck.

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Mrs. Kilker, Who Came to This City Before the War, is Dead

Mrs. Elizabeth Kilker, wife of the late Frederick A. Kilker, passed away Friday evening after a serious operation December 13. She was born in Allentown, N. J., April 5, 1851, and at the age of 5 years came to Omaha, where she has resided until the last few years, which have been spent in Benson. She is survived by four children and one grandchild—Mrs. H. E. Hutton, Mrs. E. G. Wiseman, A. L. Kilker, F. A. Kilker, Master Frederick Wiseman.

Funeral services will be held from her son's home, 2604 North Fifty-seventh street, Benson, at 3:30 p. m. Sunday, where all friends are invited. Interment will be made at the Prospect Hill cemetery.

Bellevue Makes New Rule For Mid-Year Freshmen

Special inducements for high school students who wish to enter college at the second semester are offered by Bellevue college, which announces that it is registering freshmen for a mid-year class. Bellevue college authorities have been of the opinion for some time that provision for mid-year students should be made.

Persistent Advertising Is the Road to Success.

Salesman Charged With Cutting Firm Prices for Own Gain

Lured by attractive promises of easy money offered "for bargains" by two South Side merchants, Emmet Pearson, 23 years old, 1747 South Forty-eighth street, sold for less than half their value, police assert, several hundred dollars worth of dry goods while employed as a salesman by the M. E. Smith company, wholesale dry goods dealer.

As a result, Pearson, who during his five years as an employee of the concern worked his way up from office boy to salesman, is held for investigation at the city jail, and, it is said, has confessed to his part in the conspiracy.

In addition to the two South Side merchants, Pearson's sweetheart, a clerk in a local department store, profited to the extent of about \$150 in clothes, police say, as the result of the young salesman's operations. Pearson himself received only \$17 for his efforts.

Suspicion fell on Pearson, it is said, November 1, when an inventory taken by the company disclosed a shortage of \$6,000 in the stock on his floor. Detectives were put to work in the building and irregularities, police assert, were traced to Pearson. Pearson, however, stoutly denies that he disposed of that amount of goods.

In his confession to the police Pearson is said to have told of having been approached by the two merchants, who told him they would give him handsome tips if he would give them "bargains." Attracted by this offer, Pearson would mark down the price of goods to a minimum. This minimum price would be paid

and the goods delivered, and Pearson was expected to get his "bit" on the outside. The merchants were not so generous as they had promised, Pearson declared.

One of the boxes of goods sold to the two merchants fell into the hands of detectives, and this directly re-

sulted in Pearson's arrest. The original price of these goods, it is said, totaled \$196, while the store received for them only \$20.

Mistaken Diagnosis. A song with the title, "There's a Sign in My Heart," was sent by a young man to

his sweetheart, but it fell into the hands of the girl's father, a very un sentimental pianist, who exclaimed:

"What wretched unscientific rubbish this! Who ever heard of such a case? Before sending the song back he wrote under the title, 'Mistaken diagnosis; no such in the heart possible. Signs relate almost entirely to the lungs and diaphragm.'—Boston Transcript.

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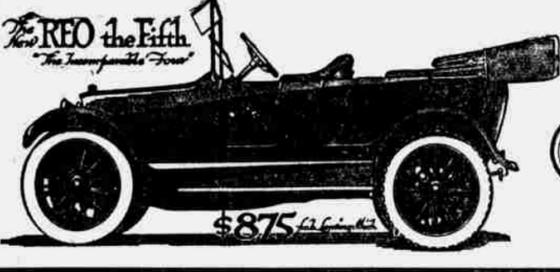
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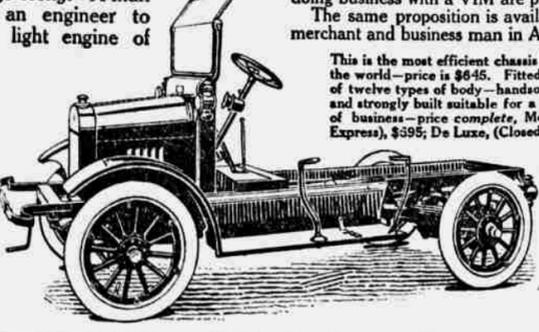
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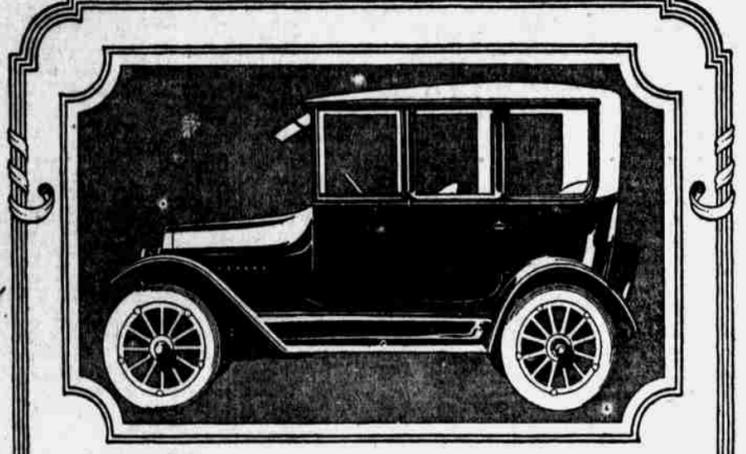
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