WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE FRATERNAL AND SECRET ORDERS

ALL ITEMS INTENDED FOR PUBLICATION IN THE FRATERNAL COLUMNS OF THE BALTIMORE AMERICAN MUST REACH THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT NOT LATER THAN NOON ON FRIDAYS.

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JAMES YOUNG.

Baltimore City Lodge, No. 57, will celebrate their sixty-fifth anniversary next Wednesday evening, January 15, in the grand lodge room of the temple. An attractive and interesting program has been arranged. The grand officers and all members of the order have been invited, including the patriarchs militants who will attend in full-dress uniform and will be under the command of Col. George W. Godman and Adjutant Major George Horisberg. A feature of the celebration will be the unveiling of a beautiful oil painting of Brother James Young, P. G. P. and P. G. R., who has been an active member of the lodge for a great many years and one of the most prominent and faithful members. He has given years of service to our great order not only in Maryland, but also in the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Columbia Lodge, No. 3, held a spirited meeting last Wednesday evening, January 8, when the officers for the ensuing term were installed by D. D. G. Master William E. Beutlespacher, assisted by Grand Master Fred A. Groom, Grand Warden W. L. Arthur, Grand Secretary William A. Jones and D. D. G. Master D. A. Savage. The following officers were installed: Noble grand, Louis A. Monks; recording secretary, Felix Foley; treasurer, John A. White; vice grand, Harry Mehrling; financial secretary, J. W. DeShon; chaplain, W. H. D. Bennett. After the ceremony all the visitors addressed the lodge, calling their attention to the great record of over 90 years, their responsibility and the opportunity they have to do great work for Odd Fellowship, after which every member of Columbia Lodge spoke, and as the meeting proceeded the enthusiasm increased. The climax was reached when a resolution was introduced and adopted pledging to the grand master five new members before February 28. Some of the members stated that it will be 25 or even 50, and arrangements will be made for a great meeting when the class is admitted. Columbia, No. 3, has awakened from her lethargy and will no take her place in the front ranks of the onward movement manifested at present.

A Rebekah Lodge will be instituted on next Tuesday night in the Temple of Garden Lodge, No. 114, Belair and Furley avenues, by the officers of the Rebekah Assembly, Susan G. Miller, president. The work of the degree will be done by the assembly staff, William H. Hofsetter, Jr., captain. This lodge will be composed of the members of Garden Lodge, No. 114, their wives, daughters and friends. Brother Edgar B. Pohlman, a member of Queen Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 2, started the movement. He is a member of Garden Lodge, and expected that in a short time the new lodge will become strong and helpful to the general work of Odd Fellowship and Garden Lodge.

The following officers of Garden Lodge No. 114 for the ensuing term were installed into office Thursday, January 2, by District Deputy Grand Master W. H. Hofstetter, Sr., assisted by Grand Treasurer J. F. Plummer, District Deputy Grand Masters J. L. Beall, W. H. Hofstetter, Jr., E. B. Pohlman and Past Grand J. A. Hofstetter; Noble grand, George P. Kesselring; vice grand, George P. Kesselring; vice grand, George J. Hack; recording secretary, Charles Dollinger; financial secretary, J. H. Schone; treasurer, Henry Fischer; chaplain, George W. Smith; warden, O. M. Swendsen; chaplain, R. T. Oyeman; right scene support, Edward Wackenfuss; left scene support, Clarence Kennedy; right support to noble grand, Joseph Madl; left support to noble grand, J. B. Green; extreme right support to vice grand, J. Edward Hack; left support to vice grand, R. J. Jackson; outside guardian, Oscar Guldbrensen; inside guardian, John B. Jones; sitting past grand, L. M. Shipley.

Bro. J. H. Schone has served as an officer for 42 years.

Oriental Lodge, No. 52, held a large and enthusiastic meeting last Tuesday night at Odd Fellows' Temple and installed the following officers: Noble grand, John Campbell; vice grand, John Holtman; secretary, J. Edward Rossman; chaplain, Martin Bowers, Sr.; marshal, John E. Metzbower; representative to Grand Lodge, J. J. Kahler; Trustees, J. A. C. Kahler, C. C. Hazlett and J. J. Kahler.

Eureka Lodge, No. 101, held a love feast and jollification meeting Wednesday evening, brought about because of the large attendance and also for the reason that the lodge made a net gain of 39 during 1912, now having 163 members. The following officers were installed for the ensuing term: Noble grand, Norman Jones; vice grand, L. M. Williams; recording secretary, Daniel T. Morgan; financial secretary, J. G. Bichlet; treasurer, Cloves Thompson; chaplain, Bernard W. Duvall; marshal, C. H. Jones; conductor, W. R. Drake; warden, L. A. Drake; right supporter to noble grand, Thomas J. Smith; left supporter to noble grand, David F. Binsey; right supporter to vice grand, John W. Stubman; left supporter to vice grand, Thomas Black, Jr.; right scene supporter, James Williams; left scene supporter, Jacob Siegeist; inside guardian, William K. Roberts; outside guardian, Robert Lafferty; sitting past grand, Michael Daugherty.

The following are the officers of Liberty Lodge, No. 10, who were installed Thursday night, January 2: Past grand, E. F. Bennett; noble grand, E. E. Filby; vice grand, E. Timmons; recording secretary, H. Wright; financial secretary, H. S. Hopkins; treasurer, J. G. Zink; warden, W. E. Dillehunt; conductor, J. A. Spiegel; chaplain, W. E. Jenkins; inside guardian, E. G. Bennett; outside guardian, J. Spencer; right supporter to noble grand, W. H. Blanchard; left supporter to noble grand, F. Weiland; right supporter to vice grand, A. Wills; left supporter to vice grand, H. Spencer; right scene supporter, W. H. Cliff; left scene supporter, G. Abey; marshal, A. German. After the installation the members listened to the interesting remarks of District Deputy Grand Master J. H. Boyd and a number of others.

K. of P.

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German-American Lodge, No. 108, was called to order last Wednesday by Chancellor Commander Edwin Hines, with his associate officers in their respective stations. The new officers and committees are getting familiar with their duties, which fact promises good results for the term. The committee on new members has began to bring applications in and several were elected to membership. William F. Sauers, George J. Fennington and Merritt W. Harris were initiated into the mysteries of the rank of page, the ceremony always beautiful, was very impressive and without fault. The work was under the direction of Teammaster George L. Henneberger and reflected great credit upon all engaged. Next Wednesday the rank of esquire will be conferred. The degree teams are in excellent working order and all the ranks will be interesting. They expect to be kept busy until the warm weather sets in.

Queen Temple, No. 5, Pythian Sisters, held an interesting meeting in White's Hall on Friday evening, January 3. Mrs. Emma Cheshire was in the chair. After the routine of business was disposed of the temple went into social session. Addresses were made by Past Chief W. Wayne Braun, of Cumberland Lodge, No. 60, K. of P.; Past Grand Chief Mrs. Rachel Blake, Grand Vice Chancellor B. Frank Shaffer and others. After the speechmaking the ladies invited those present to a bounteous repast. Despite the fact that a blizzard was raging, Mary Graham, of Cumberland, enjoy a fraternal evening. Queen Temple is one of the progressive temples of the state. Plans have been made for a general revival of interest and renewed activities will begin at once.

Manhattan Temple, No. 8, Pythian Sisters, met in regular session last Saturday evening with a goodly number of sisters present. Mrs. Ida Schilling, most excellent chief, presided. Grand Vice Chancellor B. F. Shaffer visited the temple and urged the membership to put forth their best effort during the present year to increase in membership and assist the Knights in developing every branch of the order. Past Chief Mrs. Dorothy Vanhorn was present and installed the following officers for the ensuing term: Past chief, Mrs. Ida Schilling; M. E. C., Mrs. Gladys Sullivan; E. S., Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery; E. Jr., Mrs. Laura Thompson; Mgr., Mrs. Esther Brengle; M. of R. and S., Mrs. Mary Dowlan; M. of F., Mrs. Melissa Williams; protector, Mrs. Dorothy Vanhorn; representative to grand lodge, Mrs. Melissa Williams; alternate, Mrs. Mary Dowlan; G. of O. T., Mrs. Myrtle Reed. Manhattan Temple has a membership of 27 ladies and 26 knights, with prospects of a healthy increase during 1913. After the installation was over the sisters served refreshments.

There will be something doing at the meeting of Cumberland Lodge, No. 60, Monday evening and the knights from all over the county are invited to attend. The feature of the evening's meeting will be a debate, arranged by a comuittee consisting of P. C. H. G. Walker, Brother H. Smouse and Brother J. W. V. Weibel. The subject to be debated upon is, "Resolved, That the Hen Which Lays the Egg is the Mother of the Chicken. Grand Vice Chancellor B. F. Shaffer will discuss the affirmative side of the question, while ex-Judge C. H. Wolford will handle the negative side. Both contestants are active and prominent knights and there is no doubt that the lodge-room will be crowded. P. C. J. H. Reed has arranged for an entertainment immediately after the debate.

Hyndman Lodge, No. 480, of Hyndman, Pa., has extended an invitation to Cumberland Lodge, No. 60, to visit Hyndman on January 16. This invitation will be accepted by at least 50 members if arrangements can be made to have a fast train stop for the party.

On Wednesday night Past Grand Chancellor Henry Lingenfelder, assisted by Past Grand Chancellor Dr. Otto M. Reinhard and Past Chancellor John T. Elliott, installed the officers of Concordia Lodge, No. 24.

On Friday night, January 3, at the regular meeting of Mizpah Lodge, No. 130, it was decided to invite all the ladies who had taken part in the great Pythian Fair and Bazar to attend the Ben Hadad concert on Monday night, January 13. Each lady will be forwarded two tickets. A committee had been appointed to arrange for a ladies' night and a supper. The supper was left upon by the committee to take the place of the evening's entertainment which the committee contemplated.

On Monday evening, January 6, the officers of Liberty Lodge, No. 39, were installed by Grand Keeper of Records and Seal James M. Hendrix, acting grand chancellor; P. C. Phillips, of Grand Domain of New York, acting grand prelate, and P. C. George A. Deaver, No. 43, acting as grand master-at-arms. After the work of installation was completed some remarks were made by the acting grand chancellor explaining the changes in the unwritten work.

On Tuesday night the officers of Rescue Lodge, No. 23, and Loyal Lodge, No. 128, were installed by Grand Keeper of Records and Seal James M. Hendrix acting grand chancellor; Past Chancellor Phillips, of the grand Domain of New York, acting grand prelate, and Past Chancellor George A. Deaver, No. 43, acting grand master-at-arms. Both lodges are preparing for an active campaign for an increase in membership duding the June term of 1913.

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Grand Architect Hugh C. Gardner, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, installed the following officers into their respective stations during the past week:

Warren Lodge, No. 20: Worthy master, Charles F. Meyer; junior master, James Johnson; recording and financial secretary, Charles G. Gaebler; treasurer, Charles A. Stemple; representative to the Grand Lodge, Charles F. Meyer; alternate, James Johnson.

Fulton Lodge, No. 21, Reisterstown: Senior master, G. Chaney; worthy master, O. C. Berryman; junior master, Harry DeMoss; recording secretary, William Berryman; financial secretary, W. S. Brown; treasurer, Henry E. Waggener; chaplain, C. O. Dorsey; conductor, J. Frank Eline; representative to the Grand Lodge, Henry DeMoss; alternate, O. C. Berryman.

Trenton Lodge, No. 33, Trenton: Worthy master, Huber Armacost; junior master, Shellman Armacost; recording secretary, Harry S. Morfoot; financial secretary, Oscar Algire; treasurer, Henry Martin; chaplain, Harry W. Armacost; conductor, Henry Rigler; inside sentinel, John W. Price; outside sentinel, John H. Armacost; representative to the Grand Lodge, John W. Price; alternate, Huber Armacost.

Chosen Friends' Lodge, No. 36: Senior master, Frederick Castle; worthy master, J. Frederick Kopp, Jr.; junior master, Thomas Smith; recording secretary, William D. Meyer; financial secretary, John A. Janetzke, Sr.; treasurer, J. Frederick Kopp, Sr.; chaplain, James Donnelly; conductor, Robert Lutz; inside sentinel, Charles Reckert; outside sentinel, A. Wesley Robinson; representative to the Grand Lodge, Frederick Castle; alternate, J. Frederick Kopp, Jr.

Humboldt Lodge, No. 38: Senior master, George T. Dickey; worthy master, William Stuck; junior master, George A. Washington; recording and financial secretary, Charles E. Wagner; treasurer, William Fornhoff; chaplain, Robert H. Blake; conductor, George C. Long; inside sentinel, John B. Lewin; outside sentinel, Lawrence Ward; representative to the Grand Lodge, George J. Dolle; alternate, George T. Dickey.

Westminster Lodge, No. 41, Westminster: Senior master, M. J. Little; worthy master, A. J. Martin; junior master, Edward L. Zahn; recording secretary, Thomas Zepp; financial secretary, J. D. Biehl; treasurer, John B. Saylor; chaplain, Clarence Lockard; conductor, J. W. Yingling; inside sentinel, J. H. Cootes; outside sentinel, L. A. Burman; representative to the Grand Lodge, J. Wesley Yingling.

Potomac Valley Lodge, No. 68, Williamsport, Md.: Senior master, George K. Henson; worthy master, Edward Hombraker; junior master, Frank L. Lowman; recording secretary, A. C. Rathrauff; financial secretary, C. M. Davis; treasurer, D. M. Tice; chaplain, Frederick D. Gossard; conductor, W. D. Ridenkour; outside sentinel, Jacob Secrist; representative to the Grand Lodge, George K. Kenson; alternate, Harry Mallott.

Siloam Lodge, No. 69, Siloam, Md.: Senior master, Edward Taylor; worthy master, Samuel Wheatley; junior master, Albert White; recording secretary, Raymond Smith; financial secretary, Parker Jenkins; treasurer, E. L. Cantwell; chaplain, J. Henry Chaffin; conductor, William Smith; inside sentinel, A. H. Dove; outside sentinel, Charles Malone; representative to the Grand Lodge, Lewis Smith; alternate, Edward Taylor.

Baltimore City Lodge, No. 2: Worthy master, Joel D. F. Covell; junior master, George W. Hopkins; recording secretary, Henry A. Erb; financial secretary, Herbert L. Byrd; treasurer, George Yost; chaplain, John T. Holmes; conductor, John F. Loker; inside sentinel, Arthur Springle; outside sentinel, Edward M. Neuhaus; representative to the Grand Lodge, George Yost; alternate, Joel O. F. Covell.

Centennial Lodge, No. 39, held a very enjoyable meeting last Friday, when the following officers were installed by the grand architect and officers of the Grand Lodge: Senior master, Elmer Phillips; worthy master, Joseph Griffith; senior master, Robert Emerson; recording secretary, Keith W. Dressell; financial secretary, Elmer Bernhard; treasurer, Harry Guttman; conductor, Louis Cooper; chaplain, George Fassel; inside sentinel, William Imhoff; outside sentinel, William Downs; representative to Grand Lodge, George Gillispae; alternate, William Apple; trustees, William Downs, George Frederick, Frank Neumann, George Albaugh and Robert Wiley. Remarks were made by Grand Architect Hugh Gardener, Vice Grand Architect Arthur Hoblitzell, Grand Chaplain Keith Dressell and George Albaugh, who, on behalf of the lodge, presented Past Masters William Apple and Elmer Phillips with a past master's jewel.

F. O. E.

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EDWARD HIRSCH.

At the installation of officers of the Baltimore Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, held Tuesday night at the Maryland Theater, Albert von der Linden was elected a trustee in the place of the late James Lawrence Kernan. The officers were installed by Edward Hirsch, Harry W. Rogers, Charles Flannery, Joseph Askey and John W. Swikert. The officers were elected at a meeting several months ago and are as follows: Albert Newhard, president; John Farrell, vice president; Robert E. Lee, chaplain; Dr. August Thiede and Dr. Alfred Ullman, as the lodge physicians; Joseph Ebert, inner guard; John Hagen, outer guard; Paul J. Quinn, secretary; Hamilton W. Whiteford, financial secretary; Christian Hax, treasurer, and Joseph Pipitone, Lewis Sanders and Albert von der Linden, trustees.

Following the installation a letter was read by Edward Hirsch from the grand president of the Eagles, stating that Baltimore had been selected as the city where the annual convention would be held the first week in August. A committee, consisting of the following, were selected to prepare plans for the convention: Edward Hirsch, A. J. Cassedy, Harry Schamberger, C. C. Friedel, H. W. Rogers, Charles S. Flannery, John W. Swikert, William J. Gettrust, Joseph Askey, Charles Whiteford, Paul J. Quinn, Albert Neuhand, H. W. Whiteford, Christian Hax, John Farrell, Robert E. Lee, Isidore Goldstrom, Robert Green, Robert Beach, Dr. G. A. Thiede, Dr. A. Ullman, Lee S. Meyers, Ralph Sachs, R. D. McCurdy, B. J. Nusbaum, J. R. Pratt, A. M. Trippe, E. J. Goldsmith, C. E. Lenz, Samuel Nachman, E. J. Harvey, David Rosenheim, Harry Hull, Harry Schultz, Robert White, Bushrod Watts, Joseph N. Zamolski, Harry Roller, Louis Sanders, Joseph Pipitone, A. von der Linden, James Callis, T. Ebberts and Samuel Kahn. It was decided that the above committee meet in the Maryland Theater on Sunday afternoon and elect a chairman and discuss plans for the convention.

After the meeting Charles Whiteford, the retiring president and president of the First Maryland Aerie, was presented a handsome silver coffee and tea set and a gold watch, fob and charm by the members of the Baltimore Aerie. The presentation was made by Isidore Goldstrom.

Mr. Goldstrom was elected chairman of the social committee, which will have charge of the social affairs of the Eagles the coming year. He proposes to give an elaborate banquet in about a month, which is to be called the Eagles' grill, and which will have features modeled after the affairs given by the Gridiron Club of Washington.

Imp. O. R. M.

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On Wednesday, January 8, on the official visit to Tecumseh Tribe, there was a large attendance of members and visitors. The following great chiefs were present: Great Sachem, Thomas H. Blades; Great Senior Sagamore, John W. Walker; Great Chief of Records, James C. Littleton; Great Keeper of Wampum, Albert Baker. Among the visitors present were P. G. S. John W. Lowdenslager, P. G. S. John C. Bell, P. G. S. Philip E. Porter, P. S. John D. Ball, of Aztec Tribe; Charles Graliey, the District Deputy for the City Tribes, and many others, including a delegation of about 30 members of Patuxent Tribe, No. 58.

Great Senior Sagamore John W. Walker had invited all the members of his tribe to be present, and he was very much elated to see 30 of them on hand. The excellent band of Tecumseh Tribe was on hand and their playing added very much to the enjoyment of the meeting. One very interesting feature of the meeting was the presentation to the orphan Tunstall Baseman. The tribe takes especial care of this youth, and at least once each great sun they make him a valuable present, and this was done at this meeting, he being presented with a suit of clothes by the tribe, the presentation being made by P. G. S. Edward E. Allison. Another very interesting feature of the meeting was the presentation to P. G. S. Allison of a beautiful pink Great Sachem's sash. The presentation speech was made by P. G. S. Philip E. Porter, and Brother Allison accepted the present with appropriate remarks.

Addresses were made by each of the visiting Great Chiefs, also by Brother John W. Lowdenslager, Brother John C. Bell, Brother John D. Ball, and some others. After the talks refreshments were served, and at a late run the meeting came to a close.

P. S. Joseph L. Abell, of Ottawa Tribe, was present and invited all present to visit Ottawa Tribe on January 9, at which time the Great Chiefs make an official visit to Ottawa Tribe.

The Great Chiefs made an official visit to Ottawa Tribe, No. 16, on the 9th of this moon and had a very pleasant meeting. It was at this tribe that we saw the young members holding the reins, and expect them to make a 10 per cent. increase as requested by the Great Senior Sagamore, John H. Walker. The addresses of the evening were made by Great Senior Sagamore Walker, Great Inner Past Great Sachem Charles W. Chief of Records Dr. James C. Littleton, Great Sachem John W. Lowdens Townsend, Past Sachem Joseph L. Atte, and Past Sachem Calvin Wilson. The Great Senior Sagamore expressed his surprise at the small number of visitors on this sleep. As the Ottawas are noted for their visiting he expected to see a goodly number from several of the tribes who are always in touch with the workings of the order.

Omaha Tribe, No. 166, kindled its council fire on last Wednesday sleep, when District Deputy Great Sachem Charles Graley, Jr., was present and served the following chiefs: Sachem, W. Hawkins; senior sagamore, C. Mertz; junior sagamore, C. Glass; prophet, W. B. Stockdale; chief of records, W. G. Fothergill; keeper of wampum, S. Shockney; collector of wampum, C. W. Sherlock; examining physician, Dr. John D. Bubert. Brother Fothergill will be the representative to the Great Council for Omaha Tribe. Brother George W. Dombbart is ill and unable to follow the hunt. He is at the home of Brother Fothergill, 2850 West Lafayette avenue, and he will be pleased to have the brothers call to see him. Brother Lynch was presented with a handsome gold ring for landing the largest number of palefaces. Brother Sherlock made the presentation and commended the brother for his excellent work.

K. O. T. M.

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A public installation of officers was held at the tentroom of Baltimore tent No. 1, on last Thursday, with about 150 knights, their families and friends present. Sir Knight Deputy Supreme Commander A. W. Fyre was in charge of the installation, with Sir Knight Pate Commander William F. Ackler assisting him. The following sir knights were installed: C. F. Griebe, past commander; C. A. Reck, Jr., commander; A. D. McComas, lieutenant commander; Joseph Hubbard, record keeper; W. E. Glover, chaplain; H. F. Schwab, sergeant; M. C. Pehringer, master-at-arms; John Starklauf, Jr., first master of guards; C. A. Price, second master of guards; E. Robinson, sentinel; J. I. Chelf, picket. Sir Knight Frye made a very good address and spoke on what the valor of a commander in the Maccabees meant to the holder and his family. After the installation the evening was turned over to the entertainment committee, when all were given the opportunity to dance, string music being furnished for the occasion. Refreshments were served. Sir Knight Commander Charles A. Reck, and a most interesting evening was spent. Some very rapid strides will be made this coming term, as great interest has been aroused among the new officers and members bring the membership to a high mark. Members to make Baltimore Tent successful Jr., has asked for the co-operation of every member and officer to attain this.

Calvert Tent, No. 3, the banner tent of Maryland, began the New Year last Wednesday night with a grand review and joint installation of officers with Guilford Hive, L. O. T. M. It was a happy, snappy and lively commencement of the year 1913 and the evenig was enjoyed by a large number of sir knights and ladies. Lady Melvern J. Caswell, lady commander of Maryland, assisted by Lady Hilport, the guards of Guilford Hive, and Lady Neilson, of Riverside Hive; Sir Knight A. W. Frey, Supreme picket and depuy Supreme commander of New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, installed the officers of Calvert Tent, assisted by Past State Commander H. F. Gettrust and Past Commander Bailey. Sir Knight Frey also presented to the record keeper, Sir Knight W. O. Hays, a handsome Maccabee pen knife as a token of gratitude from Calvert Tent for the faithful services of five years and the good will of the officers and members of Calvert Tent. The state commander also presented to Sir Knights Past Commanders Howard Jefferson and L. C. Walters the gold past commander's jewels.

Addresses were made by Lady Caswell, Sir Knight Frey, Sir Knight Hays and the retiring commander, Sir Knight George W. Buckman. Several vocal and instrumental selections were rendered by the Calvert Orchestra. The officers installed were as follows: Sir knight commander, A. W. Seward; lieutenant commander, F. E. Schweider; chaplain, George F. Koss; sergeant, William F. Pensel; first and second master of the guards, Sir Knights Sase and Chiverel; sentinel, Sir Knight Tyler; picket, Sir Knight Rolaff, and Sir Knight George W. Bartsch, master at arms. The degree team will put on the second and third degrees next Wednesday night. The new uniforms will be on hand and a good attendance is expected. The social committee is making big plans for the spring term.

S. of H.

[Contributed to The American.]

The regular meeting of Betsy Ross Lodge, No. 2, Ladies' Auxiliary of the Shield of Honor, took place on January 8, and the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing term: Senior matron, Sister Fannie Evans; worthy matron, Sister Ida Hewick; junior matron, Sister Minnie Cook; conductor, Sister Florence Vondergrif; chaplain, Sister Hattie Sheiblein; recording secretary, Sister Emma Walsh; financial secretary, Sister Emily Snyder; treasurer, Sister Mary Green; inside sentinel, Sister Emma Medcalf; outside sentinel, Sister Bertie Sheldon; trustee for five years, Sister Sarah Shaper; representative to the Funeral Benefit Association, Sister Emily Snyder; alternate to the Funeral Benefit Association, Sister Mary Green. Every member has been asked to be present on January 15 to receive their Christmas present, as none will be sent out this year.

Hiawatha Lodge, No. 19, was promptly called to order last Wednesday. The attendance was fair and the meeting quite interesting. The board of trustees was present and read the quarterly and yearly reports, showing Hiawatha Lodge to be in a flourishing condition, both financially and numerically. Past Master John T. Barbour, George T. Doyle and George F. Warnsman then made remarks for the good of the order.

Betsy Ross Lodge, No. 2, Ladies' Auxiliary to the Shield of Honor, met at its hall, 1432 Pennsylvania avenue, on Friday, January 3, and installed the following officers: Worthy matron, Sister Mollie Fosser; senior matron, Sister Belle Whalen; junior matron, Sister Bator; recording secretary, Sister Fogelson; financial secretary, Sister Ella Robinson; conductor, Sister Fisher; chaplain, Sister Amanda Overmiller; right supporter to the worthy matron, Sister Dora Hoofnagle; left supporter, Sister Sadie Rhodes; right supporter to the junior matron, Sister Sarah Prosser. After the installation an oyster supper was held, for which much praise is due Sisters Hoofnagle and Prosser, who did their best for a general good time for the members.

L. O. T. M.

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Unity Hive, No. 12, L. O. T. M. held its regular review at the home of the lady commander, Mrs. Mary Church, 730 Dolphin street, on Tuesday, January 7. Owing to the inclement weather the meeting was not attended as well as usual. Several members were reported ill. Final arrangements were made for the euchre to be held for the benefit of the hive on June 13. After the business meeting the hive closed and accepted the lady commander's hospitality.

Riverside Hive No. 6 turned out in goodly numbers on Thursday evening, and after the regular review, opened the doors of Friendship Hall for the public installation of the new set of officers. The installation ceremonies were, by special request of the hive, conducted by the deputy, Lady Katherine E. Hilpert, assisted by the guard team of Guilford Hive and Lady Snyder as lady of ceremonies. The officers for the ensuing term are: Commander, Louisa Kluge; lieutenant commander, Bessie Norris; past Commander, Amanda Little; chaplain, Rose Wedemyer; record keeper, Emma V. Crowley; finance auditor, Emilie Nilsen; lady-at-arms, Ann Thompson; sergeant, Minnie Propf; sentinel, Jennie Harrison, and picket, Rose Wallace. Following the installation, Lady Ann Thompson was presented with a substantial token of the hives' appreciation of her services as chairman of the entertainment committee, and Lady Hilpert was also remembered with a handsome bouquet. Refreshments and music concluded the evening's entertainment.

Guilford Hive, No. 7, having been invited to combine the installation of its officers with those of Calvert Tent, No. 3, K. O. T. M., met on Wednesday evening at the hall of Calvert Tent and participated in one of the most successful events since its organization. The installing officers were Lady Caswell, for Guilford Hive, and Sir Knight Frye, for the tent, the well-drilled guard team of the hive assisting at both functions. The new officers of the hive are: Bertie S. Howard commander; Susan Englebrecht, lieutenant commander; Emma L. Knight, past commander; Charlotte H. Thompson, chaplain; Enid L. Nelson, record keeper; Lettie M. Buchman, finance auditor; Olive Clas, lady-at-arms; Marie Browning, sergeant; Lily Morton, picket. As lady of ceremonies to the hive, Lady Emilie Nilsen acted as in former years with the usual efficiency.

The Hospital Association of the Ladies of the Maccabees held a meeting on Wednesday, January 8, at the home of the president, Mrs. Marguerite Lushbaugh, 1333 East North avenue. The good attendance is proof of good resolutions for the new year. The past year has been a notably good one for the Hospital Association. A number of benefits have been paid, and still the funds are kept on a steady increase. The meetings have been well attended. The social, congenial way in which the business affairs have been attended to has been a pleasure instead of work. The meetings are looked forward to with pleasure. A representative of one of the local theaters called during the afternoon to offer inducements to a theater party in April, and it was decided to accept the proposition.

The treasurer's report, aside from the reserve fund of $1,200, shows sufficient funds to carry on the work successfully and pay the bills without delay. Seven applications were received. The report of the committee on the euchre party held at the home of Mrs. Bertha Pentz was read, showing a large sum had been realized. The books of the association will be audited at a special meeting on Friday evening.

F. O. O.

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Baltimore Nest, No. 3, has enjoyed a prosperous year, and is now in a flourishing condition. Over 765 birds are registered in the covey, every one of whom is beneficial. The nest was more than pleased to have two Supreme officers on hand to conduct the installation of officers, Brother James H. Livingston, supreme treasurer, and Brother Jeremiah H. Lyons, supreme trustee. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreens, holly wreaths and Oriole colors, and the covey present was one of the largest seen at the installation this season. President Arthur C. Dietrich made a brief address and offered some very much-needed suggestions for the ensuing year. He also read his report in detail, showing a large increase in membership, at the same time showing a large gain in the treasury. President Deitrich was given a rising vote of thanks for the noble work he rendered during his term of office. Officers installed were: Past president, Arthur C. Deitrich; president, Julius Wegner; vice president, John P. Warner; chaplain, Frank Winters; warden, John Emerine; recording secretary, Harry S. Welch; financial secretary, Philip Dorner; inside guard, Joseph Syfer; outside guard, Richard Stidhan, Sr.; physician, Dr. F. C. Link; trustees, August F. Kuhl, Harry V. Kirby and William P. Bartholomay. After the officers were installed and the regular routine of business, Supreme Treasurer J. H. Livingston and Supreme Trustee Jeremiah Lyons congratulated the nest on its progress, and gave assurance of their confidence in the officers and their hearty co-operation for the new year.

Brother Harry Ebens, chairman of the social committee, served refreshments after the closing of the nest, and Professor Young rendered selections on the piano, while the Oriole Quartet sang.

F. of A.

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Last Monday night the newly elected officers of Court Baltimore were installed by Past Chief Ranger Kresster, of said court, in an impressive manner in the presence of a large attendance: Chief ranger, L. Wanner; past chief ranger, J. Breckner; subchief ranger, R. Floyd; financial secretary, H. M. Moore; recording secretary, A. Pugh; treasurer, J. Neothan; senior woodward, J. Davis; junior woodward, W. King; senior beadle, J. Rupple; junior beadle, A. Hohman; lecturer, L. Schuppe; trustee, O. B. Wheeler; organist, J. W. Davis, and physian, John J. Heck, are the new officers. Three applications were presented for admission, thus this consistent old court, proud of its traditions, of its eventful past, enters its thirty-eighth year fully confident of a successful future in charge of its young officers.

Court Carrollton, No. 3, held an interesting meeting at their rooms, in Cook's Hall, 12 South Schroeder street. Deputy Grand Chief Ranger D. J. Buckley installed the following officers for the ensuing term: Past chief ranger, Carroll Pierpoint; senior woodward, Andrew Wegner; subchief ranger, George Gillis; financial secretary, C. E. Merson; recording secretary, John C. Mohr; treasurer, B. F. Pierpoint; chief ranger, H. W. Dunlap; Lambert; junior woodward, W. B. Touge; senior beadle, W. Zimmernack; junior beadle, Emil Groszer; lecturer, Adolph J. Rentz; trustee, three-year term, Thomas U. Forrest; physician, Dr. Joseph E. Muse. After the installation Brother Buckley gave an interesting talk on forestry.

W. O. W.

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A rousing meeting of Elm Camp, No. 7, was held on Wednesday night at their hall in the Benson Building, Thirty-sixth street and Roland avenue. One of the most interesting numbers on the program was the installation of officers for the ensuing year. Those installed were: Consul commander, George H. Green; advlieutenant, Earl Hare; escort, Elmer Fuhrman; banker, George C. Buffington; clerk, William B. McCauley; watchman, Oscar G. Fuhrman; sentry, Edward L. Noland; medical examiner, Dr. S. R. Wantz; manager, John Howser; musical director, Elmer Fuhrman. The year just past has been the most successful in the history of the camp, there having been a net numerical increase of 50 per cent., while the financial increase has also been remarkable. The camp is now in a flourishing condition and its members were given even greater activities for the present year. The Sovereign Camp of the Woodmen of the World now has a membership of more than 700,000 and an extraordinarily large emergency fund.

L. O. O. M.

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The Woman's Loyal Moose Circle, No. 55, held its regular meeting on Monday, January 6, which was attended by all the members. After the good of the order they held a public installation of officers. The following were installed by the organizer, Mr. Henry Ahrendt: Mrs. Lillie Ahrendt, worthy matron; Mrs. Sadie Chenowith, associate matron; Mrs. J. Wittmer, past matron; Mrs. Bregner, deaconess; Mrs. Emma Wirt, secretary; Mrs. Sarah Avery, treasurer; Mrs. Cora Blaney, conductoress; Mrs. C. Messersmith, inner guard; Mrs. P. Behrens, outside guard; Mrs. Dallas Wheeler and Mrs. Wheeler, trustees, and Mrs. Anna Jones as organist. After the installation there were addresses by M. T. Giles, William Broening, J. Keogh, R. D. Carter, William Dunn, Captain Carroll, William H. Schultes, H. Ahrendt and also by the worthy matron, Mrs. Lillie Ahrendt. Refreshments were served. The ladies are going to hold a social feature every month to bring the members to the meeting.

At the regular meeting of Baltimore Lodge, No. 70, last Tuesday night, a handsome portrait of the late Andrew J. Kernan, a life member of the order, was hung in the lodgeroom and draped in mourning. A large number of new applications were received and a number of new members obligated. It is proposed during the latter part of this month to have a large class initiation and a large ball, with some one or more of the prominent members of the order who are in Congress. We expect to get for this occasion Speaker Champ Clark or Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, and several other members of Congress, and one or more of the supreme officers. The oyster roast committee report the affair a success. Baltimore Lodge will pay a fraternal visit to Highland Lodge on Thursday.

N. U.

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Ensign Bagley Council had a very inspiring meeting on Wednesday at the National Union headquarters, in the Law Building. The newly elected officers were installed by District Manager William S. Norris, after which Senator Campbell presented, on behalf of the council, retiring President Moses B. Simson with a beautiful gold emblem set with diamonds as a mark of appreciation for his faithful services during the year just closed. President J. A. Bell, of Baltimore Council, presented ex-President M. J. Toner with another handsome jewel as a mark of efficiency in his position as financial secretary. Two applications were on the desk of the secretary. The council then adjourned, and a splendid supper was enjoyed. The officers installed were: President, William N. Gwinn; vice president, Harry J. Fleischer; speaker, David Van Collom; ex-president, M. J. Simson; recording secretary, G. Freud; financial secretary, M. J. Toner; chaplain, I. Katz; usher, Martin Van Collom, sergeant-at-arms, M. Fonstein; doorkeeper, Harry C. Hubbard; trustees, B. Isrealson, M. J. Simson, D. Van Collom; delegates to cabinet, G. Freud, H. J. Fleischer and M. J. Simson.

The members of John H. B. Latrobe Council were out in full force on Tuesday night at Progress Hall to have the officers-elect installed, which was done by District Manager William S. Norris, assisted by President Bell, of Baltimore Council, as marshal. The following officers were installed: President, Maurice Miller; vice president, Michael Glaser; speaker, John Bavis; ex-president, David J. Kaufman; secretary, Charles W. Goeb; financial secretary, Emanuel Hochberger; treasurer, F. W. Gudemas; chaplain, Thomas Cox; usher, Frank Reitler; sergeant-at-arms, S. Goldbeck; doorkeeper, John H Baulipp, trustees, Jacob Kerber, Samuel Wolf, John Lang; delegates to the cabinet, David J. Kaufman, Maurice Miller, Michael Glaser and Charles W. Goeb.

Senator William F. Campbell, on behalf of the council, presented retiring President David J. Kaufman with a handsome oak library table as a mark of appreciation for his faithful services to the council. Great interest was shown in the boosters trip, given by the field department to the Panama Exposition at San Francisco in June, 1915. Several of the members enrolled themselves for the trip. A social session was held after the meeting.

D. OF A.

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Another harmonious meeting was enjoyed Monday, January 6, by the members of Star of the East Council, No. 29. Councilor Sister Gertrude Ruley conducted the meeting in her usual businesslike way. The attendance was good, considering the weather. Our relief has increased somewhat and we trust all under care will be with us in the near future. We would like our members to bring in candidates for the union class initiation. Sister Clark, our recorder, will furnish proposition cards. Under good of the order, several members made interesting remarks. We were pleased to have our captain, Brother Clark, from No. 3, with us. We would like some of our stay-at-homes to attend the council. We extend the usual invitation to our sister councils to visit us any Monday evening.

On Tuesday, January 7, Independence Council, No. 36, held a very enthusiastic meeting. Three candidates were initiated in the mysteries of our order and two applications were received. The officers for the ensuing term were installed by our deputy, Sister Edna Smith, and are as follows: Councilor, Carrie Nicoll; associate councilor, Carrie Duvall; vice councilor, George L. Burton; associate vice councilor, Janie Dull; conductor, Mary