

SAHARA GROTTO CONSIDERS BID FOR 1929 MEET

Delays Decision in Asking for National Conclave Next Year.

The question of holding the 1929 convention of the Grotto in Indianapolis has been taken under advisement by Charles Walsh, monarch of Sahara. A decision will be made soon, it is said.

The question was brought up Friday night at the Grotto ceremony by Otto F. Hildebrandt, Rock Island, Ill., grand venerable prophet, who was the guest of honor.

Hildebrandt stated that "if Indianapolis wanted the 1929 convention the Rock Island Grotto would withdraw its bid in consideration of the greater advantages to be found in the Hoosier capital."

Would Boost Hoosiers

"However, that does not mean the convention would come to Indianapolis automatically," Raymond F. Murray, past monarch, said today. "It means that Rock Island would throw its influence for Indianapolis and the convention site would be selected in the usual routine."

The method by which the convention site is selected was explained by Murray. "The committee on time and place meets the first day of this year's convention at Richmond, Va., June 2-7 and makes a report on the final day. All cities making a bid for the convention submit their reasons and outline in detail all expense that would be incurred by delegates."

More than 250 candidates were initiated Friday night at the Athenaeum. The ritual was given for the first time with the new lighting effects recently purchased by Sahara at a cost of \$10,000.

2,000 Attend Banquet

Enoch W. McCord, mayor of McCordsville, was selected as the candidate to receive the work. Othmar Hiltz, past monarch, gave the address of welcome. Lawrence W. Draper, past monarch, was master of revels.

Charles W. Walsh was toastmaster at the banquet for more than 2,000 members in the evening.

The affiliation of Kerman Grotto of Terre Haute with the Indiana Grotto association Friday night completes the circle of all ten Indiana Grottoes.

Among those present were: Dr. J. L. Fortune, monarch of Kerman Grotto at Terre Haute; George Kreitenstein, chief justice of Kerman Grotto; Dr. R. H. Scofield, master of ceremonies of Kerman Grotto; Charles Pulper, captain of the guard of Kerman Grotto, and John Rousch, master of revels of Kerman Grotto; C. W. Newman, monarch of Grotto at Anderson; Rollo Keesler, past monarch and vice president of the Indiana State Grotto Association; Harry C. Eckel, secretary of the association, and William Cullen, squire of the association and past monarch of Samson Grotto, and W. H. Jakoway, past monarch of the Grotto at Marion, Ohio.

EASTER PARTY PLANNED

Naomi Chapter, Eastern Star, Holds Annual Dance, Friday.

Naomi chapter No. 131 of the Order of Eastern Star is planning two events. Friday night, members will hold their annual Easter party. There will be dancing and refreshments. Children will be entertained, too.

An all day baked goods sale will be held in the display room of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company Bldg., at Washington and Meridian Sts. Members unable to bring or send donations are asked to call one of these four telephone numbers: Belmont 1026-R3, Cherry 6797-R, Drexel 1765-W or Washington 4727-R2.

LODGE HEARS T. B. TALK

Sunnyside Head Addresses Meeting of Macabees.

Dr. Harold S. Hatch, superintendent of the Marion County Tuberculosis Hospital at Sunnyside, spoke before the last meeting of the Macabees at the Modern Woodmen Hall, 22 E. New York St.

More than 100 members attended the lecture, which was illustrated by newly released films. A health play also was given by the Macabees. Members of a special tuberculosis committee of the lodge were David A. Bland, Thomas R. Lavery and Mrs. Emmett Harriman.

Fidelity Review Meets Wednesday

Fidelity Review of the Woman's Benefit Association will hold a special meeting at 1 p. m. Wednesday at Castle Hall, 230 E. Ohio St. Mrs. Jane Gray, president, will have charge of the meeting.

Itasca Council to Meet

Itasca Council, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet the first and third Thursdays of the month at Red Men's Hall, North St. and Capitol Ave.

Lindy Is Model

By Times Special

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 26.—In an effort to follow the example of manhood set by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics is planning a boys' organization known as "Lindbergh Council, No. 1 of the Patriotic Order of American Boys."

It is said the organization is the only one of its kind in Indiana and will be open to boys between 8 and 16 years of age. Those assisting in forming the new order are: L. R. Smock, Frank E. Anderson, Charles Wilgus and Will A. Church.

Benefit Head



Mrs. Dora Henry

Francis Review, No. 8, of the Woman's Benefit Association will celebrate the thirty-fourth anniversary Wednesday afternoon at Red Men's Hall, Capitol Ave. and North St.

Mrs. Grace Meredith, Wabash, Ind., State field director, will be the guest of honor. Mrs. Dora Henry, president, has general charge of the meeting.

The national organization was founded by Miss Bina M. West, Port Huron, Mich., and now is represented in fifty-six provinces. Mrs. Frederica Grund and Mrs. Louise Stottelbauer, both of Indianapolis, are the only two living charter members of this chapter.

Elks Will Not Devour Elk—It Still Is Alive

AN Elk will not eat an elk. Especially a live elk. And here's how.

Recently in an up-State newspaper there appeared an item: "Muncie, Ind.—Susie, lone elk in McCullough Park, died here today before a firing squad. The body was taken to a storage plant, where it was prepared for use at a dinner to be held by the local Elks lodge."

The Fraternal Editor of The Indianapolis Times, sensing a news story of greater proportions, wrote to J. Frank Mann, secretary of the Muncie Elks Club, for further information on the banquet.

The next mail brought a letter from Mann. "The death of the elk was slightly exaggerated. She still lives," the letter stated. "The report is still further exaggerated because we do not expect to eat her. In fact, we will not even bite her."

And that, my good fellow, settles that.

M. W. A. CAMP WILL HOLD EUCHE PARTY

Dramatic Degree Given to Five at Cumberland.

Park Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America will give a euche party Friday night at the camp hall, Twenty-Eighth and Rader Sts. Committee in charge is composed of James Nicely, camp deputy, and Edgar Riley, camp clerk.

The dramatic degree was given five candidates Saturday night by the Cumberland Camp of the Modern Woodmen at Cumberland, Ind. The camp is competing in the Talbot silver anniversary campaign for members during April, May and June.

ELKS WILL BUILD CLUB

Bloomington Lodge Votes to Start Construction.

By Times Special

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 26.—Unanimous vote to start construction on a new Elks' Club House was made Friday by the building committee.

The building probably will be a three-story stone structure, to cost \$100,000. Those on the committee are John Sutphin, John H. Huntington, R. O. Pike, J. M. Nurre, W. E. Showers, Ancil Mercer, Dr. C. L. Frazier, A. K. Helton, John L. Nichols, Fred Matthews, W. P. Dill, Herman S. Bowman, A. L. Larue, Charles L. Rawles, Louis Becovitz, and G. W. Henley.

MASONS TO INITIATE

Capital City Lodge Confers Master Degree Tuesday.

Master Mason degree will be conferred Tuesday night by Capital City Lodge, No. 312, F. & A. M. Fred F. Lehr, Worshipful Master, will be in charge of the meeting which opens at 5:30 p. m.

C. P. Benedict, Past Grand Master of Indiana, will be the speaker at the dinner at 6:30 p. m. Since one of the candidates is a member of the school board, the members of that body have been invited to take charge of the work.

CONFER FELLOWCRAFT

Mystic Tie Lodge Initiates Four Candidates Tonight.

Fellowcraft degree will be conferred at 7:30 tonight on four candidates by the Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 398, F. & A. M., at the Masonic Temple, North and Illinois Sts.

Master Mason degree will be given two candidates at 4:30 p. m. April 6. Dinner will be served at 6:15 p. m. A stated meeting is scheduled for April 9.

Merry Makers Plan Initiation

The Merry Makers Club is planning a downtown initiation for Tuesday, in Monument Circle. A theater party at B. F. Keiths Theater will be held afterwards. Members are asked to meet at the Maryland Bldg., 116 E. Maryland St., at 7:30 p. m. The next meeting will be held at the home of Ernest Hays, 2913, Pleasant Run Blvd.

Confer I. O. O. F. Degree

Brookside lodge of Odd Fellows will be special guests Tuesday night when Brightwood lodge confers the third degree on candidates at the hall, 2345 Station St.

PROCEEDS FROM SHRINE PLAY GO FOR MIAMI TRIP

Push Work on April Show to Defray Expenses of Pilgrimage.

Following the official announcement Saturday that Murat Temple of the Shrine would send uniformed organizations to the Shrine convention in Miami in May, greater effort is being taken to make "Madame Sherry" at the Murat Theater the week of April 10 a financial success.

Proceeds from this production and other shows will go into the organization pilgrimage fund.

Several hundred candidates will march across the hot sands Friday night in the spring Shrine ceremonial at Murat. "It is believed that many prospective candidates have been waiting for the pilgrimage announcement before definitely joining the class of candidates," said William Bockstahler, potentate.

Train, Pullman and hotel reservations are being made at the traveling committee's headquarters at 114 Monument Circle. The special train will stop at several cities on the way to Florida, and opportunity will be offered to take side trips. A side trip to Havana and other points has been arranged.

On the return trip the train will follow a different route and then, too, there will be several side trips.

Jolly Hustlers Will Meet

Jolly Hustlers Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Florence Watts, 112 W. North St., Monday night.

Lead in Play



Gilbert Carter

Knights of Pythias Bureau of Employment and Relief gave the play, "That's One on Bill," recently at the Indiana Pythian Bldg. Gilbert Carter, president of the Metropolitan Players, took the part of Uncle Jimmie in the play.

START DANCES AGAIN

Convention City Post to Hold Saturday Hops.

Saturday night dances which were abandoned several months ago by the Convention City post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars have been started again, according to Ralph R. Carter, acting post commander.

More than 300 persons attended the St. Patrick's Day dance and larger crowds are expected in the future. Proceeds from ticket sales are used in the veterans' relief and the post building fund.

Ladies auxiliary held a bazaar and euche party at the post hall, 210 E. Ohio St., Sunday under the direction of Mrs. Verna Caldwell.

NEWCASTLE LODGES IN HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

Workers Report \$100,000 Goal Near in Henry County

By Times Special

NEWCASTLE, Ind., March 26.—With subscriptions from fraternal organizations coming in steadily, the campaign to raise \$100,000 by popular subscription for the new Henry County Hospital is about to "go over the top."

When the first sum is raised, the county will match it with an equal amount. The building will be located one mile north of Newcastle on land donated by T. B. Millikan.

Eagles Lodge donated \$1,000 at the last meeting to furnish five rooms. Knights of Pythias Lodge also voted to furnish five rooms. The Kiwanis Club and Psi Iota Xi sorority have agreed to furnish rooms.

PLAN HIGHER DEGREES

South Bend Jurisdiction May Be Increased.

By Times Special

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 26.—Increased jurisdiction for local Masonic bodies, with authority to confer degrees as high as the eighteenth was recommended by the Indiana Council of Deliberation, high Masonic group, at Indianapolis last week.

Members who presented South Bend's claims were Franklin M. Boone, Will G. Crabill, Clarence H. Snook, George A. Swintz and Karl Dubail.

NEW SHRINE IS SOUGHT

Movement On at South Bend For Establishing Temple

By Times Special

SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 26.—Plans to ask a dispensation for the organization of a local Shrine are being made by Mystic Shrine members here.

South Bend Shriner are not wholly in accord with a recent ruling made for a heavy assessment against all Mizpah members, it was said, and are organizing to circumvent the assessment. James Haberle, Ft. Wayne potentate of the Mizpah Shrine, is expected to visit here to encourage the movement.

HOSPITAL BENEFITS SET

Marion I. O. O. F. and Rebekahs Plan Series of Rebekahs.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of Marion County will hold a series of entertainments for the benefit of the hospital fund for the new hospital at the Odd Fellows home at Greensburg, Ind.

The first of these will be a euche and bunco party Friday night at 23 1/2 S. Capitol Ave. A dance also will be given. Miss Bertha Morse is chairman of the arrangements committee.

EAGLES TO AID SCOUTS

By Times Special

PORTLAND, Ind., March 26.—Cooperation between local Boy Scouts and Aerie of Eagles, No. 928, was planned at a recent meeting of trustees and W. G. Barcus, Scoutmaster.

The Eagles will donate use of the gymnasium one night each week for Scout meetings and the latter will provide property protection.

Lodge News

This page of The Indianapolis Times is devoted exclusively to news of lodges and fraternal orders of Indiana.

The special page appears every Monday. Members and secretaries are asked to bring this notice to the attention of members.

All announcements and items of interest to members should be sent. Please include full name or initials of members of committee or officers sponsoring lodge affairs.

Mr. Member, this page is for you. Take advantage of it.

EASTER BALL ARRANGED BY K. OF C. LODGE

Will Be Held April 9 as First Social Event After Lent.

The Easter ball of the Knights of Columbus on April 9 will be one of the outstanding events of the K. of C. social calendar, according to August Krieg, lecturer.

The entire auditorium will be redecorated in much the same style as for the pre-lenten dance. The same committee will be in charge headed by Fred Kirschner, former treasurer of the council and a member of the board of directors of the home association.

The next big fraternal event scheduled by the council is the first degree work April 16.

Campaign for Members

The class is expected to be the largest ever taken into the K. of C. in Indianapolis due to the membership campaign which is now in full swing. James E. Deery and Thomas S. Markey, chairman of the parish committee, are making an effort to speed up the membership committee to get an even greater representation at the initiation.

Thomas Jones, chancellor and his staff of assistants are working to perfect the initiatory organization of members.

The Rev. Father Ambrose Sullivan, assistant pastor of St. John's Church, will speak tonight before the regular business meeting. Father Sullivan is known for his work in getting business houses to close all or part of Good Friday.

Will Speak Friday Noon

Andrew Brown, Indianapolis manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, was the speaker at the Friday noon luncheon. He spoke on the modern transportation and communication systems of the United States.

The last card party before the tournament in May will be held April 11 by the Daughters of Isabella at the K. of C. Auditorium with Miss Emilia Vanier in charge.

At the last meeting of the Daughters of Isabella, the social hour was in charge of Mary Barton who was assisted by Mary Miller, Lucille Kribbs, Florence O'Connor and Catherine Barton.

Mrs. Tim Foley played several Irish airs on her accordion, while Sahara Spellman and Elizabeth Murphy played. Rosemary Lawlor sang two Irish songs. Louise Brodeur sang an Irish reading. Cecilia Vanier won an award for answering the most questions in an Irish quiz.

PUPILS TO GIVE COMEDY AT SAHARABELLE MEET

Mrs. Ruthanne Kersting Directs Play "Good Morning Teacher."

"Good Morning Teacher," a short comedy skit was given by pupils of Mrs. Ruthanne Kersting, teacher of dancing, at the last meeting of the Saharabells at the Lincoln.

Ellene Purdy, teacher of expression, directed the play, and she was assisted by Mrs. Hazel Clifford, Mrs. Eva Behenkamp and Miss Ruby McCammon.

Children who participated were Margaret Harold, Janet Cohen, Dorothy Mabey, Alma Elizabeth Edmonds, Maxine Lambert, Marjorie McComb, Bernice Hessel, Delores Buck, Lydia Kersting and Leona Benson.

Miss Audrey McConahay sang and was accompanied by Miss Lorena Denham.

LODGES TO GIVE FARCE

Brookside Odd Fellows Will Present Play Friday Night.

"A Night of Rehearsal," musical farce, will be given by the entertainment committee of Brookside Lodge No. 818, Odd Fellows, Friday night at the hall, Rural and E. Tenth Sts.

Members of the cast are Harry Grabhorn, Roy C. Sturm, John Staadt, High Christy, Harry Fields, Ed Miller, Harold Chambers, Claude Biner, Roy Brakenek, Thomas Wilcox, Richard Grabhorn, William Lynch, Herman Spackem, James Weddle and George Dine. The comedy was written by Harry Grabhorn and is staged by the author.

PYTHIANS INITIATE TWO

Degree of Knight Conferred at Meeting of Lodge No. 1.

Charles A. Howlett and Emory M. Schulze were initiated to the rank of knight at the last meeting of Union Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias.

Following the degree work, refreshments were served. H. V. Arney, chancellor commander, presided at the meeting.

City Eagles to Initiate

Indianapolis Aerie, No. 211, Eagles, will initiate candidates tonight in the Worthy President's class. A personal appeal was sent out by Lew V. Westerman, Seattle, Wash., president, for all aeries to hold initiations today.

Guardians of Wardrobe



Charles Brautigam

Three of the most active men in the Scottish Rite convocation which opened today never are seen by the candidates and members.

For fifteen years Charles Brautigam (upper left) has been chairman of wardrobe workers, and for six years Robert Armstrong (upper right) and Ike Riley (below) have been his assistants.

In the dramatic presentation of the various degrees of the Rite, many changes of scenery and costume are necessary. These three men see that the correct materials are ready.

Red Men Tribes to Meet

By Times Special

CONNEERSVILLE, Ind., March 26.—Thirteen tribes of the Order of Red Men in Fayette, Union, Rush, Wayne and Decatur Counties will meet here today.

City Camp of Woodmen Wins Member Contest

Celebration of Capture of State Trophy to Be Held Tuesday.

Marion camp of Modern Woodmen of America Tuesday night will celebrate winning of the State trophy for the largest membership gain in 1927.

The jubilation will be held at the M. W. A. hall, 322 E. New York St., and will be in charge of William D. Headrick, State lecturer; A. G. Williams, clerk of Marion camp, and M. T. Wright, district deputy.

The cup will be presented by George E. Hopkins, State deputy, to Clarence C. Wyson, State insurance commissioner of Indiana and a member of Marion camp.

The fraternal degree will be conferred on candidates in connection with the entertainment of members whose birthdays came this month.

Marion camp adopted 312 members in 1927. It is the largest camp in the State and eighth largest in the United States. The camp was organized in 1896 with sixteen members and now has almost 2,000 enrolled.

Eagles Will Initiate

By Times Special

RICHMOND, Ind., March 26.—The twenty-fourth anniversary of Wayne Aerie, No. 698, of Eagles, will be celebrated April 23. Candidates will be initiated as the first step in the 3,000 membership goal set for June.



Robert Mace

Robert Mace is chairman of the committee on arrangements and is assisted by Thomas Lennel, Harvey Vice, Lee Fidler and A. Demme.

Among prominent State officers who will attend are Mitchell, Dolph E. Farr, Edinburg, grand chancellor; Charles Lov, Swayzee, grand prelate of Indiana, and C. R. Neese, Franklin, district deputy.

Michigan City, Ind., Washington Lodge of the K. of P. will be host to the thirteenth district. The rank of page will be conferred on a class as the feature of the evening.

The meeting will be called at 1:30 p. m. at Castle Hall. Members will visit the State prison and the meeting will be reopened on their return by Walter Damer, Elkhar.

Rochester Gives Degree

The Rev. Donald Ford will give the address of welcome, and Ralph Gaylor, Mishawaka, past grand chancellor, will give the response. Farr, Mitchell and Samuel L. Trabue, vice grand chancellor, will be introduced.

A chicken dinner will be served at 6 p. m. and will be followed by an entertainment. Mitchell will call roll and the Rochester degree team will give the degree work.

More than 500 members attended the Eleventh district meeting last week at Marion. The Swayzee degree team gave the page rank. Mayor Charles W. Snyder, Huntington, was toastmaster at the dinner. Dr. F. A. Priest, Marion, gave the address of welcome, and Monroe Wiley responded.

Sixty-four years of fraternal history were outlined last week by Ed. Connor, keeper of records and seals, at a meeting of the Lebanon lodge of Pythians.

MERRILL TENT MEETS

Daughters of Union Veterans Are Entertained.

Mrs. Effie C. Rogers, 1135 E. Market St., assisted by Mrs. Nellie McGinnis entertained the past president and officers of the Catherine Merrill Tent No. 9 of the Daughters of Union Veterans last week with a St. Patrick's day program. Mrs. Emma J. Wischmeier and Mrs. Lena Beondin gave a program of music and songs.

A past president's council was organized with the following officers: Mrs. Grace E. Hoffmeyer, president; Mrs. Cora V. Clapp, vice president; Mrs. Leona Welling, secretary; Mrs. Francis Bilyeu, treasurer; Mrs. Henrietta Neal, auditor; Mrs. Effie C. Rogers, reinforcements, and Mrs. Hattie M. Hopkins, publicity.

Dedication Held by Elks

By Times Special

PORTLAND, Ind., March 26.—Dedication of the new Elks' lodge home No. 768 was held Sunday. The dedication ball will be held tonight.

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