

Minnesota Society

The Minnesota Society of Central Washington will hold its sixth annual banquet at the Christian church on Friday, January 21. There will be room at the tables for 400 guests.

The annual dues, price of admission to the festivities and price of the banquet are all merged into one charge of \$1.25 per couple, 75 cents for a gentleman without a lady and 50 cents for a lady unaccompanied by a gentleman and the same for children seven years of age and upwards.

Ticket offices for registration are at Briggs & Dash on North Second street, the office of Bivins Bros on West Yakima avenue and the office of the Edmunds-Childs company in the Miller building. All former residents of the Gopher state are eligible for membership. The Yakima Republic, January 14, 1910.

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The corner stone has been in position for some time awaiting the day of ceremony. It is a solid block of volcanic rock two feet square. On the sides fronting the street are the Three Links, number of the Lodge and I.O.O.F. cut in the stone and burnished with silver. In the upper side is a hole six by eight inches square. This will be used as a depository for things that will perpetuate the history of the Lodge. A copy of each newspaper of the City-- The Herald, Republic, Democrat and Washington will be placed in the space together with the programs used and other things.

Yakima Lodge No.22, Independent Order of Odd Fellows was instituted at Yakima City on the evening of March 7, 1882. A special meeting was called for the purpose by District Deputy Grand Master J.M. Stout who is still living in this city. The officers^M presiding were: Grand Master, Ben Elwood; Grand Warden, Becker; Grand Treasurer, E.B. Welch; Grand Secretary, E.P. Boyle.

The Charter members were G.W. Cary, John Morrison, J.W. Morrison, A.W. Morrison, Charles Schanno and J.W. McGlothlin. On the same night the following applied for membership by card and were admitted. E.P. Boyle, T.H. Look, J.K. Millican, Joseph Stepheson, J.A. Stanton and W.J. Hackett. The first Subordinate Officers elected that evening were: Noble Grand, G.W. Cary; Vice Grand, Joseph Stephenson; Secretary, E.P. Boyle; Assistant Secretary, T.N. Look; Treasurer, J.M. Morrison.

Not one of the above named are members of the order today, they having all dropped out through various reasons. The Lodge grew rapidly and became a strong organization. In 1886 after, removal of the County seat from Yakima City to North Yakima the lodge also transferred to this place, inasmuch as the greater part of the members had moved here. Since that date the lodge has held regular meetings in this city, May 1902

Yakima Valley Historical
Society

Organized Nov. 8, 1931 at Belle Campbell's home in Union Gap by Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Beck, Mrs. Flora Bruton, Mrs. Sarah Cleman, Mrs. Josephine Parker, Mr. and Mrs. George Stephenson, Mr. Wallace Wiley.

Special train to the meetin to be held at the old Aptanum Mission, Sunday, August 7, 1938. Come and join us. Bring dishes and share pot luck lunch with us served cafeteria style. George Stephenson, Secretary.

H.A. Potter, president; A.B. Flint, vice president; Mrs. Wallace Wiley, treasurer. George Stephenson, secretary.

Past presidents: Mrs. Josephine Parker, Mrs. Flora Bruton, Orlando Beck, Purdy Crosno, Mrs. Etha Woodcock (2 years* Trustees: Purdy Crosno, Mae Sickler, Wallace Wiley.

Program committee: Charles Anderson, Mrs. Flora De Zarn, Mrs. Mae Sickler. Copies from program sent to Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Beck, Yakima, Wash Rural No. 7, box 317. Toppenish, Wash, July 7, 1938. Scrapbook property of Edna Mae Beck Pierce

A landmark in Masonic history was passed last night when Yakima Lodge No. 24 celebrated its 50th anniversary.

Not only is this a landmark in Masonic history but it is indicative of the progress of civilization in general and of the valley in particular.

Days are not so far distant when a few Masons met in North Yakima to perform the ceremonies of their order. A few of the hardier spirits from the valley towns would drive all day to attend a lodge meeting, returning the next over roads noted for the adhesive qualities.

Yesterday some 1,000 members crowded into the auditorium of the Methodist church to attend the anniversary of the oldest of valley lodges.

A.D. Sloan attended his first meeting in Yakima 28 years ago and after being examined thoroughly was admitted to the lodge, making one of the ten men at the meeting that evening, he recalls. Twenty-one others in the service web of the lodge were honored. James Stuart, second oldest living Mason of No. 24 told of early day hardships and Sam S. Foster, the oldest living member of the organization, ill in St Elizabeth's hospital, regretted missing this golden jubilee. The Yakima Republic, Feb. 9, 1926.

Cascadians

Members of the Yakima Cascadians will form a part of a party of scientific and mountaineers who are to explore the map in the unchartered section of the Craters of the Moon district in southern Idaho, according to an announcement made here.

Five Cascadians, Clarence ^{Starcher} ~~Whitmore~~, Miss Althene Clymer and Miss Alta Welsthone, Roland Whitmore and Joseph Yolo will leave tomorrow for Boise where they will join the rest of the group.

They will spend a few days in Boise visiting the Arrowrock dam and other points of interest before starting upon their real exploration.

R.W. Lambert, writer for the National Geographic who has made several previous trips into the district will take charge. An old Indian trail discovered by him will be used to reach the lava beds. The trip will be made by pack train from Shoshone, Ida. with full camping equipment. Rope ladders will be included to permit the party to enter caves that have never been explored--The Yakima Republic May 14, 1926.

Scouts
Fife

In preparation for the Fourth of July ceremonies at the graves of Uncle Tom Fife and his father, Boy Scouts at Camp Fife will erect a substantial and attractive fence around the grave plots and will level and police the enclosure this week according to word received from camp.

J.O. Cull will have a granite monument installed at the head of the graves before the Fourth and Scouts will place one of their organization's markers at the head of each grave during the ceremonies--The Yakima Republic, June 22, 1925.

Rebeccas:

A Rebecca Lodge, IOOF, was organized in this city on Monday last by Grand Secretary L.F.A. Shaw of Walla Walla.

The officers chosen for the following year were as follows: N.G. Mrs. W.A. Monroe, V.G. , Mrs. J.K. Ward, R.S. Harry Spinning, P.S. M.W. Wallace; treasurer, Mrs. H. Spinning, Warden; E.E. Butler; conductor, Mrs. William Shearer; O.G. J.G. Lawrence, J.G. Mrs. E.E. Butler, R.S. NG P.A. Stanton; L.S. N.G. Mrs. N. Erickson; R.S. V.G. Mrs. Laura Lawrence; L.S. V.G. Mrs. P.A. Stanton, chaplain Dr. C.J. Taft --Yakima Herald, February 20, 1890.

Yakima Business Men

Charles H. Barnes was this noon elected president of the executive board of the Yakima Business Men's board (Yakima Businessmen's association) at its initial meeting following the annual election a couple of weeks ago.

John Weigel was named vice president and Frank Bartholet and Lawrence Wood were reelected treasurer and secretary respectively.

Resolutions were passed commending the work done toward reorganizing the Commercial club into a chamber of commerce and the board went on record as being prepared to furnish a director for the chamber of commerce when desired.

The Yakima "epublic, February 18, 1925.

Pythians

With the 35th anniversary of Yakima Pythian lodge only one month away , morethan 200 members of the order and their wives last night celebrated in Pythias hall the 61st anniversary of the founding of the national order.

On March 19 the Yakima Pythian lodge will round out 35 years of service.

One fifth of the 35 men who became charter members of the local lodge when it was instituted in 1890 are still members of the lodge. They are C.L. Owen, C.M. Houser, Joe C. Liggett, J.C. Berry , W.H. Crook, S.C. Henton and C.H. Haines.

..The first Pythian hall in Yakima was upstairs over the old Allen and Chapman drug store on the site now occupied by the Yakima Trust company building. After being there for three years the lodge moved into the third story of the present "epublic-Herald building. The next move was to the IOOF hall and then tothe Weed building.

The present home of the lodge on East Yakima avenue between Fourth street and Naches avenue is its first real home having billard and card rooms and other conveniences. The lodge has occupied the home for 2 1-2 years. The present membership is 475. Roy Utley is chancellor commander.

J.S. Freece told of the founding of the order in Washington, D.C. February 19, 1864 and traced its history to the present time when it has 1,000,000 active members in the ULS. canada and possessions.

Hauser, who has held ovfice every day except for a brief period of th three months is now rounding out his 13th year as keeper of the erecrds and seals (secretary) He is Yakima's fire chief. He has held every office the lodge has had to offer up from outer guard. The Yakima Republic, Feb. 25, 1925.

The days of the pioneers are passing away so rapidly that James Beck, a pioneer and the son of a pioneer is desirous of seeing an organization perfected that will take up and preserve the very interesting history of the pioneers of the Yakima valley.

With this in view Mr. Beck contemplates giving an address in the near future on the tolls and dangers of the times that tried men's ~~good~~ souls, when he hopes he will receive sufficient encouragement from other old-timers to go ahead with the work of organizing--the Yakima Herald, March 20, 1912.

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Minnesota assn.

A meeting of the Minnesotians will be held at the office of Dr.
Wells on Thursday evening to form an association for mutual benefit.
All those who have come from that state to Yakima are invited to be
present. -The Yakima Herald, April 1, 1902.

Minnesota

The seventh annual reunion of former residents of Minnesota was held in the Young Men's Christian association Tuesday night.

Claude Briggs, president made the address of welcome.

On motion of Mr. Barton a committee was appointed to draft a resolution of appreciation of the invitation to the Home Coming celebration to be held in Minneapolis during the first part of July.

The election of officers resulted in the selection of Dr. Corpron president; George Le Visconte, vice president; Miss Anna Whiting secretary; Lou Bolles, treasurer.

Supper was served in the dining room on improvised waiting trays, souvenirs of the occasion, made by the Cascade Lumber company of planed boards appropriately lettered. About three hundred Minnesotans attended-Yakima Herald, March 15, 1911.

Coffin Bros.

One of the large sheepsales reported this month was made yesterday by Lester Coffin and who sold two bands containing 4,500 head to E. Berk of Yakima and the Stanton Cold Storage company of Spokane.

Berg secured 2,260 head and the remainder will go to Spokane. They will be shipped at once.

Coffin brothers have made some heavy purchases of sheep this season, securing 17,000 head from different owners. The activity in the field involved an expenditure of \$55,000, , \$20,000 of which went to J.D.C. Thiessen who recently sold all of his sheep to the firm-Lewiston Tribune, October, 1906.

North Yakima, "ash. Oct. 16, 1906- You are hereby notified that the initial meeting of the incorporators of the "Yakima County Humane Society" will be held at Room 8-10 Yakima National Bank Building in the City of North Yakima, County of Yakima, State of Washington on Wednesday evening, October 24, 1906 at 8 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is for the election of officers and for the adoption of a full set of by-laws and for the transaction of such other business as may be necessary at that time. Guy K. Brewster, Incorporator.

Humane Society

The initial steps toward forming a society composed of the former residents of the state of Iowa were taken last night in the city hall. About twenty-five or thirty were present. All were enthusiastically in favor of organizing a society .

Temporary organization was effected by election of F.W. Roach chairman and Frank J. Allen, secretary. The meeting saw addressed by Charles A. Marsh, M.N. Messinger, George H. Ingham and others.

...Before adjourning the group appointed on constitution and bylaws decided to meet on Friday evening of this week at the residence of Dr. Goodenough at 24 south Fourth street to consider the work assigned to them--The Yakima Herald, July 18, 1906.

Eagles

Dedicatory services for the new hall of the North Yakima aerie No. 289 of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will be held Friday night.

The hall is located in the Jacobson block on North First street. A class of forty candidates will be initiated. The ceremonies will be conducted by H.J. Lee, national grand deputy president. It is expected a large number of Eagles from neighboring cities will be present-The Yakima Herald, May 22, 1907.

Uncle Tom Fife

Boy Scouts

Boy Scouts attending the Pioneer period at Camp Fife are put putting on the finishing touches in preparing the camp following the departure of the workmen.

Several of the Scouts in doing this work have fulfilled the qualification for merit and master craftsmen badges by reason of the quality of the work they have turned out according to J.B. Ernsdorff, Scoutmaster, who has spent the week at the camp.

The boys have built a porch to the cabin, dug a cesspool and made all necessary water connections besides cleaning the camp grounds of brush and making screens for the cabin.

Mrs. Ernsdorff reports that the boys have found a natural stadium close to the camp but yet out of sight, where they may hold their camp fire councils. They also found a large open field surrounded by trees which is just the place for games such as capture the flag. The brush has been entirely cleaned.

A feature of their exercise July 4 will be a ceremony at the grave of "Uncle Tom" Fife, who donated the camp grounds to the Scouts. "Uncle Tom" was buried near the side of his cabin by his own request. Scouts will hold an appropriate ceremony and will ~~dedicated~~ decorate the grave, placing a Scout marker at the head--The Yakima Republic, June 13, 1925.