

EVERETT KNIGHTS INSTALLED.

On Saturday evening, March 24th, the officers of E. Weldon Young Company, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, Everett, Wash., were installed by officers, Gen. H. A. Bigelow and Col. A. C. Bowman. The following officers were installed: H. D. Cooley, captain; P. W. Barton, first lieutenant; John Rodgers, second lieutenant; F. O. Coe, adjutant; B. J. Rucker, treasurer.

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In Chicago every evening except Sunday is "Lodge night." On Monday one has a chance of twenty-six conventions; on Tuesday, which seems to be the favorite, there are thirty-one conventions; on Wednesday, eighteen; on Thursday, twenty-six; on Friday, twenty-five; and on Saturday only one convention. There are Pythian conventions in the Masonic Temple every evening but Saturday.

The Knight of Pythias who never reads the periodicals published in the interest of the Order is cognizant of very little that is going on among the Lodges of the various Domains—even in his own.

It is asserted and is probably true that a majority of the Governors of the several States are members of the Order of Knights of Pythias. President McKinley is a Pythian, and all his cabinet officers, except two, are said to be members.

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It is a duty we owe to our Order to know the business in which each member is engaged, and whenever possible—all things being equal—patronize those who have taken the same obligations as ourselves, and thus demonstrate that our boasted friendship and fraternity is a practical reality rather than a lodge-room sentiment exclusively.

WHEN TO DIE.

Fraternal Instinct Should Guide all Our Actions.

It is claimed that the Pythians in one Domain passed resolutions to the effect that in the future members of the Order should die on Saturday so that their brothers might be able to turn out to the funeral on Sunday, saving washing up and dressing up on week days. This is, of course, a little too cold blooded, but it brings to mind the fact that the brothers are not as numerous as they should be at the bier of departed ones. Sometimes the prominent member is laid away with hundreds marching escort to all that is mortal of him, while the poorer brother is hardly recognized, and it would be difficult to realize that he was a member of the Order so far as the attendance at his funeral is concerned.

This is not right. The man in rags may have as noble a heart as the man in broadcloth. Perhaps he has been a better Pythian during his life. Perhaps he has been a truer husband and a more loving father. Fraternity recognizes no difference between men as regards their material holdings in this world. It cannot.

Another feature that should be borne in mind is the care of the ill, the unfortunate and the afflicted ones. Let us see that we are at the bedside of the sick and the graveside of the departed brother. It pays for us to do this. Matters of this kind cannot be forgotten or passed over. As a rule the Pythians come nearer to following the tenets of the Order in this direction than many of the other Lodges, but still there is room for improvement.—"Triangle."

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