

## Iowa.

From a letter just received from Bro. E. B. Burns, the Recording Secretary of Court Oelwein, No. 3898, Oelwein, we take the following extract: "We held our first annual ball in the parlors of Hotel Mealey on the 3rd June. It was a grand success, having over 80 couples. I think you will agree with me in saying that Court Oelwein is doing well for a newly-instituted court. We were organized on the 23rd April last, with a charter membership of 41." We congratulate Bros. J. P. Keefe, O. F. Wheaton, O. S. Olson and E. B. Burns, the very efficient committee, on such a record.

## High Court of Missouri.

## OFFICIAL CIRCULAR.

OFFICE OF HIGH CHIEF RANGER,  
June 14th, 1898.

To all Courts of the I.O.F. of Missouri and Kansas, Greeting.

A special session of the High Court of the I.O.F. will be held at Foresters' Hall, 1333 Grand Ave., Kansas City, Mo., commencing at 10 a.m., July 18th, 1898, for the purpose of receiving and acting upon reports of officers and committees of the High Court, electing and installing officers, electing a representative to the Supreme Court, appointing various committees, amending and adopting by-laws, and such other business as may be properly brought before it, and which could be transacted at a regular session.

## BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.

Each court in good standing, as defined by Sec. 222 of Constitution, will be entitled to a delegate. Courts of more than twenty-five members, to one delegate for each twenty-five, or a major fraction thereof. The High Court will pay travelling expenses and \$3 per diem while in session to all delegates residing more than five miles from Kansas City. Delegates will be expected to make best possible rates by round trip or excursion tickets, where practicable. In the absence of a full delegation from any court, the members present will be allowed to cast the full vote of the court. A High Court officer, who is an accredited delegate, will be allowed to vote also as an officer. Credentials will be forwarded you to be filled out under seal of court. Delegates should be elected at last meeting in June, and the Recording Secretary will please notify the High Secretary, giving number of delegates you are entitled to.

All members present at the opening session will be given the High Court degree, and members of this degree will be welcomed during sessions.

Courts will confer a favor by forwarding all July returns promptly, that High Secretary may be enabled to have his report ready at opening of session.

Yours in L., B. & C.,

ROBT. O. CROSS,

R. N. KENNEDY, High Chief Ranger.  
High Secretary.

The talent of success is nothing more than doing well whatever you do, without a thought of fame.

## Minnesota.

Court Green Isle held its annual celebration and ball on May 27, and, notwithstanding that it rained all day, except at short intervals, the affair was in every sense a success. The Jordan Brass and String Band furnished the music.

The High Court officers were met at the train by the members of the court, headed by the band, and escorted to the hotel. In the evening the children of the village paraded. The boys wore red, white and blue sashes, and the girls wore Liberty caps. All carried flags. Proceeding to the hall they were put through drill by Prof. Speelacy and Miss Litchfield in a manner very creditable to both instructors and pupils. After several songs by the children and selections by the band, H.C.R. O'Neill was introduced as the speaker of the evening by C.R. Fahey.

The ball which followed was a very enjoyable affair. The celebrations of Court Green Isle are the leading events of the village, the day being usually regarded as a holiday by the entire community.

The last part of May H.C.R. O'Neill spent several days in visiting the courts in the southern and western part of the State. On the 25th he visited Court Redwood Falls, on the 26th Delhi, and on the 27th Green Isle. Court Redwood Falls has been but recently instituted, but has good timber and will grow; Court Delhi is in a prosperous condition and of good size considering the smallness of the village; Court Green Isle has about eighty members and is easily the leading fraternal organization in that vicinity.

## New York.

Court Ina will give another of its popular basket picnics July 24th, by a trip down the Niagara River with the yacht *Fullerton*, accompanied by a barge leaving the foot of Amherst Street at ten o'clock a.m. It is the intention to invite members and their families only, and all will, no doubt, enjoy themselves to their heart's content.

With his usual characteristic generosity and forethought, Col. A. B. Caldwell has, through Bro. G. L. Dickinson, High Secretary of Eastern Ontario, contributed five dollars toward the sufferers from fire in Russell County, Ont. This act is exceedingly commendable, and demonstrates the "Founder's" love for mankind, particularly Foresters in distress.

Oronhyatekha Encampment of Royal Foresters, of Schenectady, having received their new uniforms, of which they are exceedingly proud, attended divine service on June 26, accompanied by Courts Electric City, Schenectady, Cohannet, and the Companions of Court Merriam, and made a very creditable appearance. This Encampment, at a bazaar held last winter, cleared over and above all expenses the princely sum of one thousand and thirty dollars, with which they have been enabled to equip their members with the elegant uniforms of the distinguished rank of the Order.

Court Empire City, the progressive pioneer court of New York City, passed at its regular session May 25th the following patriotic resolution: "RESOLVED, that this court, upon the request of any brother of this court who has responded, or may hereafter respond, to the call of our country,