

Catholic Knights Are Active.

The Humboldt Council of the Knights of Columbus held their second and last initiation for this year on Sunday, Aug. 31st. The services began at 9 o'clock in St. Augustine's Church with the Rev. Father Nandzik, O. M. L., of Fish Creek, celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The sermon proper to the occasion was delivered in eloquent language by the Rev. Father Drapeaux of Rosthern. He took as the subject of his discourse "Catholic Knighthood" in all its phases. He brought forward strong arguments why the Catholic Church should foster a great body of Catholic laity. He said that to day the Catholic Church is looking on every side for Catholic leaders among her laity. The Church needs leadership in education and in economics, in every phase of our various activity. His closing words were a strong plea that the Knights of Columbus, no matter how strong they would ever become, would always remember and respect the great authority of our holy Mother the Church.

Immediately after Mass the Initiation ceremonies began. These concluded at 8.30 when the members and their lady friends adjourned to the City Hall where a sumptuous banquet was in readiness, prepared under the auspices of the ladies of St. Augustine's parish. Mr. F. I. Hauser, Grand Knight, presided. His opening remarks were as follows:

When we took office last fall the great plague was sweeping over the country and it was therefore late in the present year when we really began our work. Our first effort that we put forth was the securing of a Medical Doctor, and we were very fortunate in securing Brother Dr. Heringer who is fast becoming well known to you. I would exhort you to remember that all things being equal we should support our Brother Knights. We are at present in touch with several Catholic Dentists and in a short time hope to have one located here.

We next turned our efforts to the helping of the good Sisters of St. Elizabeth Hospital. Our Council has pledged itself to furnish two rooms in the new Hospital Building. The next call came from the Ursuline Sisters who have asked us to furnish their new Chapel in their Mother House at Bruno, and the matter is now being dealt with by a committee. I am sorry to say that we are practically without a home to meet in. The Hall that we used was damaged by a wind storm, and at present we are meeting in the basement of the Church until we can get new quarters of our own. These are some of the things that we have accomplished this year. I will not keep you any longer as we have some excellent speakers with us tonight.

The Very Rev. Administrator of Prince Albert Diocese was the next speaker. He said that it was both a privilege and a pleasure for him to be present and to show to the Knights of Columbus of Humboldt that he appreciated the great work that they were doing. He touched briefly on education and made a plea for more Canadian born priests. He then turned his remarks to the Catholic press, and said that it was a great benefit to have a Catholic paper published at our very doors.

This was followed by Mr. J. Stroeder, B. A., of Dead Moose Lake. He is of German-American extraction and speaks the German language as his mother tongue, yet for twenty minutes he held the great audience in his grip by his forceful and eloquent English. The full text of his address will appear later.

Mr. J. H. O'Connor, District Deputy of Winnipeg, followed him and in a few well chosen words thanked the officers for having invited him to assist with the degree work and to be present at the banquet.

Rev. Father Sinnett, Saskatchewan's veteran priest, when he rose to speak, casually remarked that he had had a breakdown. He was greeted with great applause which lasted for ten minutes. His subject was on higher education. In an address rich in ideas, beautifully worded, eloquently expressed and delivered with all the grace of a gifted speaker, he lifted his hearers far above the trend of everyday events. He gave them an insight into educational conditions as they are. He peered with them into the future and he outlined for them the educational policy that a Catholic should follow. It was a wonderful address. It was an inspiration to listen to it.

Father Drapeaux of Rosthern spoke briefly and exhorted all to stand and fall together and not let division come into our ranks. "Let us be Canadians," was his message.

Father Bernard followed and took for his subject primary education. He spoke with enthusiasm and showed how important was the early training of the child. His address was well thought out and a lesson for every practical Catholic in this colony. The Knights of Columbus appreciated very much Father Bernard's address and expressed the wish very soon to hail him as a brother Knight.

Dr. J. M. Uhrich closed the addresses of the evening. He touched on the Catholic press and higher education. He spoke in the highest terms of the St. Peter's Bote which he termed the fearless champion of Catholic rights. He then branched out on higher education and made a plea for the Catholic people of Humboldt to send their boys and girls on to University. The banquet closed by the singing of the national anthem. Corr.

Fifteen Years Ago

From No. 30 of St. Peters Bote

The correspondent writes from Muenster on Sept. 3rd that the rails for the C. N. R. are laid up to Range 19 or up to 18 miles east of Muenster. About 3 miles of rails are laid per day. Work on the trestle across Wolverine Creek will be begun next week. Just where the stations will be located is not definitely known as yet. The bridge across the Saskatchewan will be completed in four weeks.—Last Sunday Father Superior Mathias held services in the house of Jacob Spring S. 6, T. 38, R. 18. In a meeting held after services the following were elected as trustees: John Pitka, Math. Bartholet, Ludwig Walby and John Sommer. The new mission here will be dedicated to the Holy Guardian Angels.—Last Sunday Father Chrysostom held services at St. Bernard's. Mr. Gottfried Schaeffer donated ten acres of land for a church building site. One of Mr. Schaeffer's daughters has been teaching school in a tent. On Monday the Rev. Father said Holy Mass in St. Bruno's settlement.—School at Muenster was opened on Sept. 1st with 17 children in attendance. One of the Fathers of the Monastery is the teacher.

The Lake Lenore correspondent writes that Mrs. Revering has recovered from her recent illness. Last Wednesday a party of berry pickers went over to the island in Hoffmann's boat.

—Don't look at your bank-book to find out whether you are rich or poor. Look at your character.

For Farm and Garden

Select Seed Potatoes Now
The custom of using as seed potatoes what is left from the previous season's crop, after having disposed of the best, "must be discontinued if the present quality and yield of the crop is to be materially improved. The grower cannot expect to get a maximum yield from inferior seed stock.

The best time to select seed potatoes, according to the specialists, is in the fall when the crop is being harvested. Then the yield of the individual plant and the quality of the tubers can be considered.

Good seed is pure in respect to the variety; is produced by healthy, vigorous, heavy-yielding plants grown under favorable climatic conditions; is somewhat immature; reasonably uniform in size and shape; firm and sound. The first sprouts should begin to develop at planting time.

Storage of Vegetables.

POTATOES and many other vegetables should not be stored too dry. A damp earth floor helps to keep vegetables crisp. Potatoes are best stored in small bins; in piles that are too large they heat and may keep poorly, in shallow piles they lose too much moisture and shrivel. Don't store potatoes while they are moist. Don't let the wind dry out the potatoes; a bitter taste will result. Don't store in a light room. Sort out the decayed potatoes before the trouble spreads.

CABBAGE is not injured by moderate frost. Late varieties, sound and not too ripe, are best for storage. To keep cabbage crisp leave on the outer leaves and wrap in paper.

ONIONS must be thoroughly cured when harvested. Keep them cool and dry. If topped about 1 1/2 inches long they are best for storage. Onions will stand very little freezing and thawing, but when frozen solid they are uninjured if thawed out slowly.

BEETS, turnips, kohlrabi, winter radishes, carrots, rutabagas, are best stored in sand in the cellar, or in tightly covered boxes or corks, to keep them cool and to prevent evaporation.

SQUASHES and pumpkins must be well ripened and cured and free from bruises. They are best kept on shelves in a very dry place, not specially cool.

TOMATOES may be kept by bringing the vines with the tomatoes on in the cellar. When hung up there, most of the tomatoes will ripen.

Saving Oat Straw.

There will be very little oat straw burned in Saskatchewan this year, according to F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan, although there is no penalty now for burning straw. Last year an order was issued by the Canada Food Board, and was in effect for a brief period, forbidding the burning of straw, but this order was rescinded last fall.

"Saskatchewan farmers realize so well the great scarcity of feed in a great part of the province that even if they do not need the straw for feeding stock on their own farms, they will not burn it," said Mr. Auld, "providing that they can get in touch with farmers who need this straw and will pay them a nominal price for it.

Farmers who are in need of feed should get in touch at the earliest possible moment with farmers who have a surplus of oat straw. There should be a large quantity of oat straw available in the northern and eastern part of the province. The expense of pressing and baling the straw is not very great and oat straw makes excellent roughage and is much cheaper than hay at

the high prices now ruling in many parts of the province.

The live stock commissioner for Saskatchewan will be glad to hear from any farmers who have oat straw for sale."

The Fruit of the Wild Rose
(*Rosa canina*) is used as medicine by those suffering from gall and bladder stones. The fruit is picked and cut open, the seeds removed and the flesh dried. From this dried fruit a tea is made in the usual way and taken nights before going to bed.

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