

PAICONTA CHIEFS AT PAICONTA TRIBE, O. R. M.

Tonguwa Tribe and Council Have a Surprise Session. Active District Meetings



GEORGE H. BANES

During thirty-seven years' active service he has been honored by elevation to the highest positions in the State, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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Great Sachem Banes presided at the meeting and the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, George H. Banes, presided at the district meeting. The meeting was a most successful one and the district meeting was held in the wigwam of the Tonguwa Tribe, No. 150, on Monday evening, December 17th.

FORESTERS' REVIVAL AMONG WEST COURTS

Campaign of Co-Operative Activity Among 16 Bodies. Fairmount's Progress

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Il testo del comunicato del Comando Supremo italiano, pubblicato ieri dal Ministero della Guerra in Roma, è il seguente:

Sull'altipiano di Asiago, nella conca di Primolano, a nord di Col della Beretta, e sul medio corso del Piave, le nostre batterie cooperavano con successo con le artiglierie italiane, eseguendo efficaci colpi di fuoco contro truppe nemiche ammassate in movimento.

Un telegramma da Londra annuncia che il generale E. B. Maurice, direttore delle operazioni militari al ministero della guerra inglese, durante una intervista con un rappresentante della stampa, ha dichiarato:

È ora il tempo di dire definitivamente che la crisi in Italia è passata. Il merito della resistenza e delle vittorie contro gli invasori spetta soltanto agli italiani. Il successo di fronte alle artiglierie e alle truppe italiane, da parte nostra, è un fatto che non può essere negato.

Il generale Maurice ha soggiunto che il risultato ottenuto dai tedeschi nel primo attacco di dieci aerei, nel primo pomeriggio, non riuscì a farci perdere terreno e recitanti nella classe dei condottieri. Ad ogni modo la Germania non ha potuto profittare dell'opportunità per un'offensiva di maggiori dimensioni.

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CYPRUS HONORS BANES, GRAND PATRIARCH

Leaders In All Branches of Odd Fellowship Pay Tribute. Boosters' Meetings

The official gathering in the rooms of the Grand Encampment on Tuesday night following the death of George H. Banes, Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, was held in the evening of December 27th.

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Blaze in Butcher Shop Burns Up Turkeys and Chickens—Six Persons Rescued

A fire totally destroyed the butcher shop of Nathan Berg, 1762 Dauphin street, hundreds of dollars' worth of Thanksgiving turkeys and chickens being consumed by the flames. The loss was estimated at \$300.

The fire was discovered by Jack O'Neill, a passerby, who turned in an alarm and notified Berg, who lives at 1615 Dauphin street, a short distance from the shop. The fire and its contents are a complete loss, and considerable damage was done by water and smoke to the floors above.

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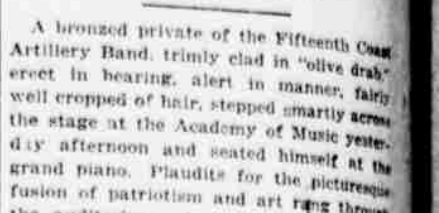
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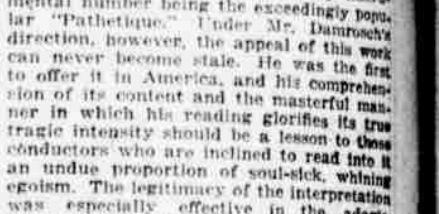
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