

RED MEN OF ANDERSON.

Ready for Session of South Carolina Great Council.—Will extend most Royal Welcome.

American Red Man.

The enterprising and thriving city of Anderson, S. C., very much resembles a beehive at the present time, owing to the fact that the local tribes of Red Men and the councils of the Degree of Pocahontas are making the most extensive preparations for the entertainment of the visiting Red Men and sisters of the Degree of Pocahontas, who will trail to the hunting grounds on the 8th sun of Plant Moon to be present at the great sun sessions of the Great Councils of both the Red Men and the Degree of Pocahontas.

Past Great Sachem Otto Klettner is, of course, putting forth his best efforts to make the session a rousing success. For many great suns he has given of his time and energies for the advancement of Redmanship in the Palmetto Reservation and throughout the United States as well, and whenever there is a meeting to be held or any work to be done for the good of the Improved Order of Red Men, Brother Klettner will always be found upon the job.

This is not the first time the brothers and sisters of the city of Anderson have had the pleasure of entertaining the Great Council of their Reservation, consequently, the brand of hospitality dispensed by them is well known throughout South Carolina and those who will attend the Great Council sessions are looking forward to their visit with great expectancy. That the session will be a memorable one goes without saying, for the good people of Anderson are determined to surpass their splendid record, established on former occasions.

Past Great Sachem C. E. Tolly, whom Great Inchoonee Carl Foster appointed a member of the Committee on Indian Memorial and Museum at the Charleston session of the Great Council of the United States, resides in the hunting grounds of Anderson and is one of the city's most busy Red Men just at present, getting everything in readiness for the session. Brother Tolly is one of the hardest-working and most popular Red Men in the Palmetto Reservation, and the brothers know that something extraordinary is in store for them with such a zealous Red Man on the ground and taking such an active interest in the preparations.

The Great Council of South Carolina has held some excellent sessions in past great suns, but the Twenty-fourth Great Sun Session, whose council fire will be kindled on the 8th sun of Plant Moon, promises to eclipse all previous meetings in enthusiasm, helpfulness and the amount of important legislation enacted.

To add to the enthusiasm and brilliancy of the present meeting, South Carolina's most popular Governor and Past Great Sachem, the Hon. Cole Blease, will grace the occasion with his presence. Brother Blease rarely misses a session of the Great Council, having been one of the most zealous Red Men in the Reservation for many great suns and the wise and able counsel he will render in the solution of the problems before the meeting will be one of incalculable benefit.

By far the most important of the questions that will be settled at this time and the one to which the members of the Great Council will give their most careful thought and consideration is the adoption of a plan for the maintenance of South Carolina's orphans. At the last report made to the Great Council of the United States the Reservation had twenty orphans upon the list, for whose care and maintenance the National Body contributed \$920.40. Since the control of the orphan question has been left entirely to the various State Great Councils it has become necessary that legislation be enacted at this session and plans will be submitted along the lines of the Model Orphan Law as drawn by the National Orphan Board.

Great Sachem James G. Long, Jr., will close a most successful administration when he turns over the tomahawk of authority to his successor. Brother Long has had the consistent support of a wide-awake and progressive membership as well as the assistance of a splendid set of Great Chiefs and he has fully demonstrated his ability to lead the Order on to success.

When the report was made to the Great Council of the United States at its last session there were 4,352 members of the Improved Order of Red Men in South Carolina and that this number has been materially increased the report at this session will show seventy-five tribes were regularly kindling their council fires, and they had adopted 1,202 palefaces during the

previous great sun. During the year just closed a special effort has been made to reduce the subscription list to a minimum and in this the brothers have been very successful as they have also been while scouting the forest for palefaces and they confidently expect, if not by the time of the present session at least within the next few moons, to pass the 500 mark in membership.

When Great Senior Sagamore E. H. Aull, of Newberry, is elevated to the chieftaincy of Great Sachem he will enter upon his duties with the Order in good working condition and in a most healthful state in all parts of the Reservation. Brother Aull is in every manner eminently fitted to assume the leadership of the Order. By his splendid work in past great suns he has demonstrated his ability to take the initiative and has won the confidence of his fellow Red Men. With so able and enthusiastic a brother at the helm, great things are in store for Redmanship in the Palmetto Reservation during the next great sun.

During the great sun now closing considerable progress has not only been made in the way of increasing the membership but the financial condition of the tribes has also continued to improve. The last report showed that the total receipts of the tribes had been \$21,806.77; for the relief of members \$5,239.27 had been expended; \$2,227.84 had been contributed to the burial of the dead; other expenses of the tribes were \$14,546.18; in the tribal wampum belts there were \$12,365.72. Past Great Sachem B. C. Wallace, the most efficient Great Chief of Records, who has added another great sun to his many years of excellent service for the Order, will have his long talk prepared in his usual concise and comprehensive manner that will clearly set forth the splendid condition of the Order.

Great Prophet J. P. Carlisle, who made such a splendid record as Great Sachem and who is universally loved and esteemed by the membership throughout the length and breadth of the Reservation, has continued to render the most able assistance during the past great sun and has materially aided in the success that has been achieved.

The brothers of South Carolina had hoped to have the pleasure of having Great Inchoonee Carl Foster, who has been with them on previous occasions, present at this time, but Redmanship's great leader will be upon the bounding billows returning from his long trail to the Isthmus of Panama. The Great Inchoonee will be represented at the session by Great Minewa Dan H. Russell, of Louisiana, and the brothers of the Palmetto State are greatly pleased at the prospect of having with them a brother who is well known to them, and who is so well qualified to advise with them and aid in the deliberations of the session.

South Carolina is closing a most prosperous great sun. The Order is in a good, healthful condition. Prospects for the future are most brilliant. Her Great Chiefs are all that could be expected. The membership is enthusiastic and united. The problems coming before the Great Council will be handled and disposed of to the credit of Redmanship. Then may her success during the great sun just entering surpass that which has been attained in the great suns that have gone before.

APRIL BIG MONTH.

Hundreds of Nominations to Come From President.—New York State Situation.

Washington, March 30. To those who keep their eyes close to the White House trail there are unmistakable signs that the month of April is destined, in many respects, to be the "big" month of the Wilson administration. It is to be a big month in more ways than one. Besides the many hundreds of nominations, some large and some small, which will be scattered all over the country ranging from the important foreign post to the most unimportant fourth class postoffice, many questions of party principle are to be determined. Among the most interesting questions to be settled, aside from purely local matters, will be who is to control New York State patronage affairs, and just how loud the Tammany tiger is to growl will also be among the interesting events of the next few weeks.

When Gov. Sulzer came to the inauguration it seemed to be well settled that he had formally retreated down the patronage gangway in favor of Senator O'Gorman. It was said then, that, judging by the number of applications which had up to that time, reached the New York senator, that he would be tagged as the Empire State patronage dispenser and that none who failed to get his "O.

K." need apply. It was said that between Montauk Point and Niagara it was generally conceded that O'Gorman was to be the man with the handy dish of White House fruit. Since that time little has been heard from Gov. Sulzer, and from Congressman Fitzgerald, not a sound has come. If Fitzgerald has even so much as darkened the White House doors it has been so seldom that it has occasioned little, if any, notice from the press.

Staff men who came to the inauguration to cover the news for their papers predicted that O'Gorman was to be the real thing in Empire State affairs, and although little has been done in that section yet in the distribution of offices, he will undoubtedly show his hand soon in a way that will make the country take notice.

From a Southern standpoint the coming month should be especially interesting. Taking the States of the South one by one, there is enough in sight to keep every one awake for some time to come.

Cross the muddy Potomac river and step on the soil of the Old Dominion. What the Virginia people want is now almost ancient history, but what they may get is another matter. One thing seems to be certain, that aside from the usual routine appointments, that State is scheduled to get at least one big foreign post early in April, and possibly two. Split the fourth circuit judgeship with South Carolina and there is a possibility that Virginia may land there also, though the Palmetto State already has this place on the safe side of the ledger. What else is in store for Virginia is, of course, not known, but it is safe to say that Virginia will not be forgotten while the plum tree is shaking for others.

Then there is South Carolina, where interest is keen in postmaster-ships, the question of who is to be district attorney and marshal and other places which will be parceled out in the near future. South Carolina, like Virginia, has hopes of securing a foreign post or two, and it is not improbable that she may land. North Carolina and Georgia were never known to be backward in asking for what they want. The two Tar Heel senators—Simmons and Overman—are known to pull excellently in double harness, and if there is anything their constituents want and don't get it will not be for lack of effort on the part of the senators.

Georgia is almost certain to land at least one foreign post, that desired for Col. P. A. Stovall of Savannah. Senator Bacon has declared that, although Col. Stovall may not go to Switzerland, as he would like to do, he is almost certain to get an attractive berth. Two other Georgians also—Andrews of Atlanta and Johnson of Rome—want to serve the country abroad and they, too, may annex their names to the government pay roll in the near future.

Then there are Florida, Mississippi, Alabama and all the other States of the solidly solid South. To them, also the month of April will bring showers of spring fruit. Senators Fletcher and Bryan and all the other members of the upper house of congress are ready with the handy basket to gather the plums that fall with the April breezes.

TRAVELS OF A JOKE.

Once Started Men Steal Them and Pass Them as Their Own.

If Solomon had not "slept with the father's"—Holy Writ style of saying that a man was dead—and had continued to ladle out his wisdom to the generation now in business or on vacation he might still be writing or re-writing or thinking of that paragraph somewhere in the first chapter of Ecclesiastes, to wit: "The thing that hath been, it is that shall be. \* \* \* There is no new thing under the sun."

And Solomon wrote this when he had seen a whole lot. It was at the close of his splendid and eventful career as monarch of Israel.

If still living, and if he read the "funny" departments of the publications of the day—dailies, weeklies, monthlies and quarterlies—he would probably add "especially in jokes."

Dearly beloved, as the minister frequently begins the announcement of his text, this will not be a sermon, article or essay on the antiquity of any one joke or bunch of jokes, rearranged, reconstructed or refurbished and sold at schedule rates.

It is a story of a story, its origin and travels and of its reappearance to the man who, created it as he made pilgrimages up and down this verdant earth.

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the road with a lot of spellbinders who were talking for Mr. Taft. One of them was Senator Dolliver, of Iowa. If anybody could tear a page from Joe Miller's book and hand its contents out as "off the bat" it was Dolliver.

A night stand was made at a cross-road town in Indiana. Introduction of Dolliver's speech: "Fellow citizens, we were afraid that we would not be here. Some miles back I asked the conductor (not the Senegambian) if his train stopped here and he said, 'Sorry, Senator, but this train don't even hesitate at the town you mention.'"

After the meeting was over, the correspondent asked Senator Dolliver where he got his story. Dolliver told him he got it from Senator Stone, of Missouri, and that Stone got it from Jim Sherman and that Sherman stole it from Mark Twain. "You see" said the sly Iowa orator, "the story has quite a pedigree."

And the poor correspondent hadn't the "sand" to claim his own progeny.

Job Hedges, wit of the New York bar, used it on the road and he got the credit for it for quite a while in the boiler plate matter sent out by the American Press association. Finally it got on the expurgatory list and then it was captured or rescued by being credited to various well-known men.

The Vanishing Birds.

Our lawmakers and Audubon societies seem to think that the birds have only one enemy which is thinning them out and that is the hunter. There is another cause for their disappearance which the wise friends of birds have not explained. They gradually disappear in neighborhoods where there is neither hunting nor trapping. Some of the older people of the Piedmont may remember a time back in the forties when wild pigeons came to this section by the thousand and ten thousand. It was a common thing to hear the honk of the wild goose as he was flying southward. It was usual for them to stop on some stream and remain a day or two to pick up food. Some of the smaller migratory birds visited us and remained through the winter until the warm days of spring warned them that it was time to muster their forces and seek summer homes farther north. Small birds of every hue and note could be seen in forest and field. The ploughman in the spring of the year was never out of sight of blue bird, woodpecker, dove or some other feathered friend ready to destroy any worm or grub his plough turned up. But all that is changed. No morning concert now cheers him as he turns the furrow. He may not see or hear a bird for days. They have simply disappeared.

Two years ago the writer was watching the birds on a farm near Gaffney. He allowed no one to shoot or trap them. There were no bird hunters on adjoining farms. There were two hundred acres or more of woods, fine old fields, swamps and thickets. Small grain was raised on the farm. In February there were about ten covies of partridges on the farm that could be located. There may have been more. It was expected that there would be hundreds of young ones in the fall of the year. But there were

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fewer than in the spring. They had just wandered away. Last spring there was only a covey or two on the farm and not a single one to be seen in the fall. The doves, woodpeckers, and sapsuckers have all gone. It is seldom that a blue bird is seen. Even the house martens and bee martens are never seen, and they are great friends of the farmer. After harvest small grain left on the ground will remain until winter because there are no birds to eat it. Foxes and rabbits have also gone with the birds in many sections. The crow, which was once very abundant, has been greatly thinned. Only a few are seen now.

It is easy to understand why birds are very scarce when all the land is cleared and there are no breeding and hiding places. Those which nest in holes in dead trees will leave a farm where there are few trees of any sort. The partridge and many smaller birds will not stay where there are no secret nooks and corners for making their nests. Legislation and bird protection societies will not prevent the gradual disappearance of our feathered friends. These facts are given for the information of the people who think that hunters and trappers are the only agents in the destruction of birds.

Charles Petty.

Spartanburg, S. C.

RULES ON LAW OF PATENTS.

Federal Courts May Act When Patented Articles are Sold Below Cost Fixed by Patent Holder.

Washington, March 24.—The supreme court today held that federal courts may take jurisdiction over suits for alleged infringement of patents when patented articles are sold below price fixed by the patent holder. The case before the court was that of a manufacturer against a Chicago store which was alleged to have sold patented gas heaters for \$1.25 when the manufacturer had fixed its sale price at \$1.50.

The federal courts of the Seventh circuit are said to have held in other cases that such sales are infringements. Whether this is good law will be considered on its merits in a case to be argued April 7. It comes from the District of Columbia, but is expected to settle the much disputed question of cut rates for the entire United States.

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