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### The Semi-Centennial Celebration of Multnomah Lodge a Notable Event.

The semi-centennial celebration of the anniversary of Multnomah Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., was a matter of extraordinary interest in the history of Oregon, as well as the entire Pacific coast. Last Monday was a gala day in the history of the Oregon City Blue Lodge organized under the first charter, issued West of the Missouri river and organized on the 11th day of September, 1848. It marked a half century of progress in the history of Masonic growth and the progress of civilization on the Pacific coast, with the virtual beginning made at Oregon City 50 years ago.

Multnomah Lodge was organized under a charter granted by the grand lodge of Missouri in the year 1846. In 1847, Joseph Kellogg, in company with his brother, Chris Kellogg, started on his journey across the plains bearing the charter. In September, 1848, all arrangements were completed for the institution of the lodge, and on the 11th of that month, it is believed in the building now called the Oriental Hotel, the institution was consummated. On the same evening one new member was initiated, Chris Taylor. For a period of about ten years meetings were held and the lodge met where it was organized. From about 1848 till the spring of 1860, the lodge-room was in Dr. Steel's drug store building, which was situated on ground now covered by the mills of the Oregon City Manufacturing Company.

When the building was burned, arrangements were made for holding meetings in the building of Charles Albright, sr., over the present meat market, which continued till the erection, in 1861, of the first hall of the lodge, practically on the site of its present hall. The lodge was now comfortably situated in its own quarters but was destined to lose them, for on January 9, 1885, this building also burned. After this for a period of one year, or until February 23, 1886, the lodge met in the building owned by the local lodge I. O. O. F., where their present building was completed, and is still occupied as a lodge room.

Many pioneer Masons were in attendance at the celebration Monday evening, who had worked hand in hand together to build up and advance the civilization of Oregon. These men, too, had been leaders in the van of civilization, and they could point with pride to the achievements of a half century. At 7:30 the local and visiting Masons assembled in the lodge room at 7:30, which was tastefully decorated. The raw hide, brass-nailed trunk, in which Captain Kellogg carried the charter across the plains, had a prominent place. Addresses were made by Captain George Pease and P. Selling, of Portland; Captain J. T. Apperson, Major Thomas Charman, O. W. Ganong, of Oregon City, and William Barlow, of Barlow. At 9 p. m., the assembled Masons marched in a body to Weinhard's hall, where the banquet was served, and where the families of Masons and guests had gathered to the number of 250. Here Captain J. T. Apperson was master of ceremonies, and J. E. Hedges, toastmaster.

Captain Apperson responded to the toast, "Multnomah Lodge," giving some interesting reminiscences of the early struggles of Masonry in Oregon. Mrs. J. H. Strickler sang a solo, and responded to an song.

"The Ladies," was to have been responded to by J. M. Hodson, of McMinnville, but he was unable to be present on account of illness, and it fell to the lot of J. E. Hedges to make the most difficult impromptu address of the evening, but acquitted himself very creditably. Mrs. R. O. Ganong and W. H. Burghardt, jr., each sang solos, and responded to encores. Judge Clendin of Portland, was on the program to respond to "Oregon," but as he was unable to be present, Colonel R. A. Miller made the address and descended eloquently on his native state. After the banquet exercises the floor was cleared and dancing lasted until morning. The celebration committees were as follows: Reception—D. W. Kinnaird, T. F. Ryan, M. Bolland, J. H. Walker, H. E. Strange, W. E. Carril. Refreshments and Banquet—T. F. Ryan, M. Bolland, J. E. Hedges, J. P. Lovett. Finance—T. F. Ryan, J. H. Walker, J. R. Humphreys. Literary and Musical—H. S. Strange, J. C. Zinser, F. T. Griffith. Hall and Decoration—J. H. Walker, D. W. Kinnaird, A. W. France. Printing and Invitations—J. E. Hedges, J. P. Lovett, M. Rosenbaum. Christopher Taylor and A. L. Lovejoy were the first made Masons on the Pacific coast, or west of Missouri. The latter has been dead many years, and the former died a few years ago at his home in Dayton, Yamhill county. Of those who signed the petition for the charter only P. G. Stewart survives, his home being in Tacoma. Joseph Kellogg, who brought the charter from Fort Hall and was present at the organization of the lodge and there received as a charter member, and who was afterwards made an honorary member of Multnomah lodge, now lives in Portland, and is hale and hearty in his 87th year. He and Stewart are the only survivors of those who organized the first lodge.

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