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## CHICKASHA GETS READY FOR HUGE SHRINE PROGRAM

Arabs, Nobles, Camels, Potentates, Novices of Southwest Headed for Local Oas's for Day's Tomorrow

### TO BE BIGGEST DAY EVER STAGED IN CITY

Program to Start Early and Continue Late; Building Bull Pen for Novices; Barbecue, Parade on Tap

From over the great desert of the southwest, Arabs, Nobles, Potentates and the lowly Novices, mounted on the thirst-resisting camel, are today headed in the direction of the Oasis of Chickasha where on tomorrow the Pilgrimage Ceremonial of India temple will be staged with all its trappings and trimmings.

That it is going to be the day of days has been indicated by the many messages that have been received advising the High Mokusay and What Nots of the Grady County Shrine club that the roving bands from Shrine temples in Oklahoma and Texas are girding up their loins for the long journey. The camels are being given their final drinks—of water—today and these ships of the desert are otherwise being tuned up for the trip.

"Oklahoma City is moving to Chickasha," was the word brought here today by a local business man who was in the Capital city yesterday.

Word has also been received that many members from Hella temple at Dallas and from other points in Texas will arrive tonight or early tomorrow morning. Lawton and the southwest has flashed word that the shriners there are planning to move on the city tomorrow in a body.

#### Chickasha is Ready

Chickasha is ready to demonstrate her ability as a hostess. The various committees of the Grady County Shrine club are putting the finishing touches on the various phases of the preliminary arrangements today. In charge of Col. E. J. Hubbard and W. A. Hopkins, head camel feeders, the fatted calves will be slain this evening and the fires will be kindled where, during the night the viands for the barbecue will be prepared. The serving of the barbecue will start tomorrow at 11:30 on the court house lawn. Two thousand tickets have been printed for distribution to the guests who are to partake of said feast.

This morning at 9 o'clock, the automobile committee reported that a total of 167 cars had been pledged to the disposal of the Shriners or their ladies. It was expected that by tonight this number would be swelled to 200. Anyone who wears a fox tomorrow will have all or any one of the 200 cars at his disposal to haul him anywhere he may desire to go. Eleven Chickasha Boy Scouts will be stationed at various points along the Main Stem to give information to the visitors.

#### The Parade of Parades

Owing to the washout of the Frisco bridge between Tuttle and Mustang, the Oklahoma City Shriners' special will come to Chickasha over the Rock Island and probably will arrive earlier than the special was slated to roll into the city via the Frisco. One of the features that the special will carry will be the India Temple band, a musical organization with a national reputation. The India Temple patrol will also be aboard the special and it is expected that business will pick up with the 200 novices expected, as soon as the patrol hits town.

The parade of parades is slated to start at 1:15 tomorrow afternoon. No one knows where it will form or where it will go after it starts, except that it will wind up at the ball park where the Pawhuska Indians and the Chickasha Chicks are slated to do battle. Over 100 decorated automobiles will appear in the parade. Those in charge have stated that no automobile, minus decorations, will be allowed in the parade. Also every noble in the city is expected to be in that parade. If he's not there, he is subject to a fine of \$2 and an hour in jail. The strong arm committee of the patrol will see that he's in the Hoos

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## WHAT IS THE SHRINE?

By EUGENE HAMILTON

The Ancient, Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is not a Masonic organization, nor has it ever been recognized as such. These Masonic Grand Bodies that thought it worth while to pass upon its merits, have been somewhat antagonistic, while the large majority has completely ignored it.

The Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States has prohibited the wearing of a Shrine emblem when in Templar uniform.

The membership of the Shrine is limited to Knights Templar and 32nd degree Scottish Masons.

Freemasonry is essentially Jewish in its origin and development, and the Shrine is a Mohammedan institution.

Cradled in Africa, in the heart of the forty millions who worship Allah, and proclaim Mahomet as His prophet, developing into a vigilance society among the Arabs of the desert, it was brought to the United States

where it has become the playground of Freemasonry. The hot sands of the desert and the pilgrimage to Mecca are, with us, taken in a purely metaphorical sense, and in no way conflict with either Christianity, Judaism or any other religion.

While the Novice is looked upon for the time being as an "unregenerate son of the desert" and is treated accordingly, yet during the entire ceremony it is never forgotten that he is a friend and a brother whose admission to the Shrine Nobility is expected to do good both to him and to us.

Unless New Rise Comes, Further Damage Not Looked for; Rock Island Operating Trains Without Interruption

## CANADIAN FLOOD HITS HIGH MARK IS REPORT HERE

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### PURCELL WAGON BRIDGE STANDING SAYS WORD

Overland Traffic from Central to Southwestern Oklahoma Going That Way; Frisco De Tours; Santa Fe O.K.

By United Press.

Oklahoma City, June 8.—Wire communication with southwestern Oklahoma was severed at noon today when the flood waters of the South Canadian river swept away poles and bridges over which the communication lines were strung.

It was impossible to learn the flood damage, but the weather bureau was confident that it will not be great as their reports indicate that the rise has not been rapid. Up to noon today the damage had been confined to farm lands, railroad and wagon bridges.

Unless another rise comes down the swollen stream, the South Canadian river flood damage reached its peak yesterday afternoon, according to information gathered today.

The Purcell-Lexington wagon bridge, which probably will accommodate practically all of the traffic which normally would go via Norman, has withstood the onrush of the flood waters and is intact, it was learned in a telephonic report received here.

Traffic over the main line of the Rock Island through this city is being carried on as usual, the bridge at Union City having stood the test due to the work of the crew that piled 19 cars of rock above the bridge last night. J. R. Nugent, local Rock Island agent, stated this afternoon that the flood was receding at Union City and a washout of the company's bridge at that place was not feared.

Reports from Purcell are that the flood is fast receding there although another rise is expected tomorrow. Traffic over the Santa Fe has not been interrupted by the flood; the report states. No additional damage is expected at Purcell.

Just when work will be started on rebuilding the Frisco bridge over the South Canadian river near Tuttle could not be learned here today. Local Frisco officials stated this afternoon that nothing could be done yesterday afternoon because of the high waters and that no reports had been received this morning, all wire communications having been severed by the washout.

All trains over the Oklahoma City Chickasha-Quannah branch of the Frisco are being operated despite the washout of the bridge near Tuttle. The trains are being detoured over the Rock Island via El Reno, causing them to run from 40 to 50 minutes behind scheduled time. Service over this branch of the Frisco will be interrupted for several days, it is believed.

The flood has interfered with telephone communications to many points east and north of Chickasha, it was stated this afternoon at the local office of the Southwestern Bell Telephone company. No telegraph service is available at Tuttle and other points on the Quannah branch of the Frisco as a result of the washout at the Frisco bridge.

A "stub" train is being operated between this city and Tuttle. This train makes connections with all trains detoured by way of El Reno.

Local rains have caused a slight rise in the Washita river, according to F. D. Shaffer, manager of the Chickasha Gas and Electric company. No further rise is expected, Mr. Shaffer said.

Camels thorn is much used for fuel in Southwestern Asia.

#### WEATHER FORECAST For Oklahoma

Tonight and Friday cloudy and unsettled.

Local Temperature Minimum 77. Maximum 66.

## CHICKASHA DOLLED UP

Chickasha avenue from the city hall to the Rock Island station is a waving mass of American flags, bunting, Shrine colors and emblems, all of which is Chickasha's party dress in preparation for the coming of the Shriners tomorrow.

Never before has the town been so bedecked in finery. Never before has any other town been so dressed. The latter statement was made by W. F. Starin who with Conrad Moore of the Liberty Flag company, Kansas City dolled the city up to receive their guests of Friday.

"I have seen towns that were 100 percent pure for a proposition, but until I saw Chickasha, I had never seen one that went 101 percent or better. I have decorated for ceremonials that India Temple has staged and there is a greater quantity of decorations up in Chickasha today than at any other like event ever staged in Oklahoma.

There are more decorations up in Chickasha this morning than in any town I have ever decorated in the United States for any event, in proportion to size. I have decorated towns from the Hawaiian Islands to New York and from Canada to the Canal zone and I have never put a greater display in proportion to the size of the town. I have never seen as live a bunch of merchants nor as live a Shrine club as I have met here and I want you to know that I don't say that in every town."

The figures furnished by Mr. Starin on the yardage and value of stock, were astounding. The decorations up in Chickasha represent a stock valued at \$30,000. Mr. Starin said. The decorations represent 70,000 yards of the national colors and more than 10,000 yards of the Shrine colors, with an untold number of Shrine emblems of various characters and design.

## RED CROSS WILL HANDLE FUND TO HELP SUFFERERS

Aid to Colorado Flood District May be Given in Form of Donations to Grady County Chapter is Word

Do you want to contribute to the fund being raised to aid victims of the Colorado flood disaster? If so, send your donations to the Grady county chapter of the American Red Cross and the money will be used in carrying on that organization's relief work in the stricken territory.

Chapter officials have just received a communication from Southwestern division headquarters asking that an appeal for funds be immediately made in this district. The appeal has been brought to the attention of the mayor, the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions and Rotary clubs and other organized groups and clubs.

"As the facts become known in regard to the Colorado flood disaster it becomes more and more evident that financial aid will be needed from the entire country, and as a follow up of the president's and Colorado governor's proclamations, we are asking you to take immediate steps to issue an appeal for funds in your community," says James L. Fieser, manager of the Southwestern division, in the communication just received by the local chapter.

"You will note," the letter continues, "that the president in his proclamation suggests that contributions may be sent through any chapter. Any contributions received by your chapter should be forwarded at once to the division office. Individuals may if they prefer, send funds direct to James L. Fieser, American Red Cross, Pueblo, Colo."

#### COLORADO FLOOD WAVE RACHES KANSAS POINT

By United Press. Wichita, Kans., June 9.—The Pueblo flood wave of the Arkansas river passed Mt. Hope, 30 miles north of here at 8 o'clock this morning, it was reported here. Only slight damage resulted, this being caused by the overflow, drowning out crops.

#### "AUNT ALICE" ASKS AID FOR SOLDIERS

By United Press. Washington, June 9.—A plea that the federal government provide a federal hospital in Oklahoma for the care of the state's wounded men was made today by Representative Alice Robertson. She charged that Texas is grabbing all the army posts and hospitals.

#### EQUALIZATION BOARD ADJOURNS ITS MEETING

The county board of equalization yesterday afternoon adjourned until Wednesday morning, June 15, at 10 o'clock. The board was in session in the office of J. D. Bryan, county assessor.

## SIMS SAYS WAS NOT MISQUOTED ON LONDON TALK

American Naval Man Tells United Press Has No Reason to Believe Cables Carried Wrong Impression

### IRISH POLITICIANS ARE RESPONSIBLE, HIS VIEW

Trying to Stir up Trouble Sims Declares; Denby's Cable not Received by Sims Early Today he States

By United Press.

London, June 9.—"I have no reason to believe that I am misquoted in the cable account of my speech before the English Speaking Union," Admiral Sims told the United Press today.

Admiral Sims stated that he had not received the cable sent to him by Secretary of the Navy Denby, in which the United States secretary asked if the anti Sinn Fein quotations of his speech were correct.

"I presume that the Irish politicians in the United States are trying to stir up trouble," the admiral said. Secretary Denby's cable to Admiral Sims was made public shortly afterward. It was prepared certainly with the president's knowledge and sanction, and presumably at his direction.

"I have read with amazement certain extracts from a speech purported to have been made by you in addressing the English Speaking Union at a luncheon in London June 7," Secretary Denby's cable reads. "The secretary's message then quotes that portion of the admiral's speech in which he described Irish sympathizers here as 'technical Americans,' charged them with placing obstructions in the way of the allied naval forces during the war and denounced them as asses."

The extract, as quoted by the secretary, follows:

"I do not want to touch on the Irish question, for I know nothing about it. But there are many in our country who technically are Americans, some of them naturalized and some born here, but none of them Americans at all. They are Americans when they want money, but Sinn Feiners when on the platform. They are making war on America today. The simple truth of it is that they have the blood of British and American boys on their hands for the obstructions they placed in the way of the most effective operation of the allied naval forces during the war. They are like Zebras, either black horses with white stripes, or white horses with black stripes. But we know they are not horses—they are asses. But each of these asses has a vote, and there are lots of them."

"You are quoted," Secretary Denby's message next points out, "as having advised the British to ignore any resolution forced by these jack-ass votes."

The admiral's advocacy of an "inter-English-speaking policy," which he said would "run this round globe," is quoted as follows:

"The Irish question is partly an American question. Eleven years ago I made a prophecy that came true. I will venture on another now. The English-speaking peoples are coming together in the bands of comradeship and they are going to run this round globe. I should like to see an inter-English-speaking policy, and when we have that we shall have peace and prosperity."

The secretary's message concludes with an order couched in the fewest possible words that Admiral Sims shall instantly admit the remarks attributed to him, or make adequate explanation.

"You will inform the department immediately by cable," the message says, "whether or not you were correctly quoted and made such statements at the time and place in question."

#### PROBE MARINE STRIKE ASKED IN RESOLUTION

By United Press. Washington, June 9.—An investigation of the strike of the marine workers is authorized in a resolution which was introduced today by Senator LaFollette.

## JAP PRINCE HAS HOPES FOR WORK WITH AMERICANS

Receives U. P. Correspondent Personally; Says Would Like to Visit U. S.; Wants Two Nations to Help

By United Press.

Paris, June 9.—(Copyrighted)—"I hope that America and Japan may always be found working hand in hand, not only for our mutual benefit but to insure lasting peace throughout the world," Crown Prince Hirohito of Japan declared today in an interview with the United Press.

The Japanese prince upset all traditions when he personally received the correspondent at his temporary residence here. He appeared to be entirely democratic and talked freely on various subjects.

"I have long cherished a desire to visit the United States," the prince said in his conversation with reference to America. "I hope that it will be only a deferred pleasure."

## BANKERS SLATED FOR BIG PARLEY

By United Press.

Washington, June 9.—Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon and probably Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace will confer with Western bankers in about a week, it was learned today.

Invitations to a general conference of bankers, which is to be held at the White House on a date not yet announced, will go out from official quarters in a day or two.

## Nurse Coming Here In Local Campaign To Help Children

Miss Olive Conn, nurse, who is to be sent here June 15 by the State Public Health association, to help in the baby welfare campaign comes to Chickasha and Grady county—highly recommended as being very efficient in this line of work.

All the babies brought to the conferences will be weighed and measured. Should there be any physical defects, the parents will be advised by the physicians in charge. Miss Conn will be glad to consult with any mother concerning the care of her child and will assist in giving it any special care that has been prescribed for it.

#### START TULSA PROBE

By United Press. Tulsa, June 9.—The grand jury which will investigate the recent race riot was formally impaneled this morning. The presentation of evidence to the jury with Prince Freeing, attorney general, in charge, was immediately begun.

#### LEGIONAIRES TO MEET

Meeting of the Raymond T. Hurst post of the American Legion and of the Women's auxiliary unit will be held this evening in the K. P. hall, it was announced today. Both meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Earl Coffey, former Army Officer Employed by Local Council; Plan is to Organize a Scout Band

Earl Coffey, former Kendall college football star and ex-army officer, has been employed as Scout executive here, Judge Frank M. Bailey, chairman of the Boy Scout committee, announced today. Mr. Coffey assumed the duties of the office this morning.

An extensive Scout program is being planned for the summer. Physical and community welfare training will be offered and a Boy Scout band will be organized. This band will be under the direction of Mr. Coffey, a trained band instructor. A summer camp in the Arbuckle mountains is included in the plans.

The scout executive had established his headquarters in the gymnasium of the Junior high school where it was stated today he will be glad to meet all Boy Scouts and boys who desire to join the organization.

#### Help Entertain Shriners

The Grady County Shrine club has extended a special invitation to the Scouts asking them to be represented in the big parade and to assist in entertaining the visiting Shriners. Scouts have been detailed to help the Shriners.

Mr. Coffey will direct the Scout work here during the entire year but will devote his entire time to the work only during the summer vacation. He will be a member of the Chickasha high school faculty during the 1921-22 school year having been appointed to the position of physical director which he will handle in connection with the Boy Scout work.

Although an experienced football and athletic trainer Mr. Coffey will not perform the duties of high school football coach, City Superintendent Montgomery said today. This position has not yet been filled, the school boss said.

Mr. Coffey is a graduate of Central State normal school and of the Henry Kendall college, not the University of Teisa. He served as an officer in the American army overseas during several months of the world war.

#### DECORATE YOUR CAR

A general appeal to the car owners of Chickasha to decorate their cars in honor of the visiting Shriners tomorrow, was made today by G. Y. Melton, chairman of the Shriners' auto decorating committee. "Whether you are a Shriner or not, decorate your car," said Mr. Melton. "We want to show the visitors that we know how to do things."

#### COUNCIL MEETS TONIGHT

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council is slated for this evening at 7:30 o'clock, according to J. R. Wellborn, city clerk. Monthly reports of various city officials will be submitted to the council tonight, the clerk said.