

PYTHIAN SISTERS
MEET THURSDAY

Annual Convention of District Deputies to Be Held at New Castle

Colonial Post No 838, V.F.W. Instituted By Department Commander Devereaux

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NEW CASTLE, April 29—The annual convention of the District Deputies of the Pythian Sisters, of Delaware, will take place in the Masonic Temple on Thursday. The sessions will begin in the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The president, Mrs. Lottie Cochran of Grubb's Corner, will preside.

The annual election of officers will take place in the afternoon. The retiring officers are President, Mrs. Cochran, vice-president, Mrs. Clara Morris of Newark; secretary, Mrs. Mary Bennett, of New Castle and Treasurer, Mrs. Mable Nixon, of Wilmington.

Representatives of temples throughout the State will submit reports. Temples represented will be Delaware Temple, Wilmington, Fidelity, of Dover; Caesar Rodney, of Wilmington; Purity, of Grubb's Corner; William Penn, of New Castle; Friendship, of Newark; Temple No. 7, of Delmar; Liberty of Clayton.

The afternoon session will conclude at 5 o'clock when the group will go to the Colonial Tea Room for supper.

The evening session has been given over entirely to a social program, when each of the temples will put on some kind of work or present a feature. The general plans for the evening are in charge of the social committee of William Penn Temple, of New Castle, of which Mrs. Ella Toppin is chairman.

Mrs. Albert L. Wilhelm, Grand Chief of Pythian Sisters of the State of Delaware, will be one of the guests of honor at the convention. Mrs. Wilhelm will make her official visitation to Purity Temple, at Grubb's Corner, on Tuesday evening, May 8, and to Friendship Temple, at Newark, on Friday evening, May 11. A large delegation of members of William Penn Temple, which is the home temple of the Grand Chief, will accompany her and her staff on the visitations.

The Business Girls Club of the Y. W. C. A. will meet at the Old Court House Club room tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, when the losing team in the annual financial campaign of the District of Delaware Y. W. C. A. will entertain the winners in the drive. An interesting program is being arranged.

New Castle was the scene of an elaborate celebration on Saturday evening when the official institution of Colonial Post, No. 838, Veterans of Foreign Wars, took place.

The ceremonies, which were held in the auditorium of the Opera House, were attended by city and State officials in addition to department officers of the veterans' organization and delegations from Wilmington, Salem, N. J.; Elmsdale, Newark, Bellefonte, Elsmere, Dargy and Chester, Pa.

The parade, opening the ceremonies, was headed by the Bugle Corps of J. Ferdinand Speer Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars of Wilmington.

Department Commander Victor E. Devereaux presided at the institution ceremonies. Major Jesse A. McKay was master of ceremonies in charge of the program, and Adrain Donovan acted as deputy.

Department Commander Devereaux and staff were presented, and Mr. Devereaux explained the purpose of the meeting and the aims of the organization. Assisted by members of his staff, he then installed the officers elect of Colonial Post as follows:

Commander, Charles Logan; senior vice-commander, Jesse A. McKay; junior vice-commander, Edward Sparks; adjutant, Harry Hallman; quartermaster, Joseph Grant; trustees, John Tidwell for 18 months, Andrew Miller for one year and Clarence Strawbridge for six months. Officer of the day, Ernie Thime.

Henry E. Snively, superintendent of the New Castle Special School District spoke on "Americanism."

Representative Scott W. Ross, Mrs. Emma C. Bailey, national department chief of the Ladies Auxiliary; Robert H. Gray, Sr., senior vice-commander of the department of Delaware, and Colonel S. Smith, past commander of the Veterans of a Foreign Wars, also spoke. Jacob Steele, New Castle's only Civil War veteran, was a guest in the parade, and also a guest on the stage during the ceremonies.

Mrs. Charles Logan, wife of the newly installed commander was presented with flowers by the master of ceremonies in behalf of the Post. There are to date 24 charter members, and the charter will not be closed for ninety days.

The monthly meeting of the Men's League of the Baptist Church will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pierre of Hayden Park on Tuesday evening. A program including selections by the New Castle Banders will be presented.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist Church, will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McGinnis of Wilmington Road, near Rose Hill on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30.

Members of the Senior class of the New Castle High School who have been on their annual trip to Washington, returned Saturday night.