

# CELEBRATES ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

## Adelphi Lodge I. O. O. F. Entertains Hundreds of Guests at Mineral Springs.

### A SEASON OF ADDRESSES

#### In Which Several Good Brothers of Chillicothe Distinguished Themselves.

The rain, which has been of almost daily occurrence recently, held off long enough for the successful celebration of the 50th anniversary of the I. O. O. F. lodge at Adelphi yesterday, and the crowd of 1500 people present enjoyed the occasion hugely.

Mineral Springs, the place chosen for the day's outing, is a charming spot for such occasions and what nature lacked in adding pleasure to the big event was more than made up by the programme of exercises so faithfully carried out.

The attendance was rather slim early in the morning, but toward noon the people began coming in from all points of the compass and from that time on until the middle of the afternoon, when, to give a conservative estimate, there were fully 1,500 people present.

Rev. J. F. Steele, on behalf of Mayor Redfern, of Adelphi, who was unable to be present, delivered a warm welcome address to the numerous guests, and he was replied to in turn by Prof. I. M. Jordan, of this city, in one of the Professor's usual eloquent and characteristic speeches.

In the afternoon there were quite a number of interesting talks, including a short history of Adelphi Lodge, No. 114, by D. D. Black, grand master. Ralph P. Miller and Grand Secretary, C. H. Lymann were both present and responded with brief addresses, as did also Mr. John H. Blacker, and Prof. Jordan was again called upon. The addresses were interspersed by music, both instrumental and vocal, of a pleasing character, the Adelphi brass band rendering a number of excellent pieces during the day.

One of the main features was the big picnic dinner to which everyone present did full justice, and in the evening preparations were made for a balloon ascension. The aeronaut who was to have made an ascension on the Fourth of July, but failed on account of an accident was prepared to take his flight to the clouds, but the crowd was in part again disappointed.

This time the balloon itself got away but the man was left on terre firma holding to his parachute. He had taken up his collection before hand and no doubt felt safer to remain where he could spend it.

Outside of this one feature, which was a mere side attraction anyhow, the anniversary celebration was a complete success in every way. Chillicothe was represented by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Blacker, Prof. I. M. Jordan and Mr. Henry Streitenberger.



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