

EASTERN STAR SESSION CLOSES

Most Successful Meeting Ever Held by That Order

OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

Children of Masonic Home Gave Program

With the installation of the grand officers in the Masonic Temple last night closed the most harmonious and most successful session ever held by the Order of the Eastern Star. Twenty-seven annual sessions have been held by this grand order, but never has there occurred one that surpassed the meeting that has been in progress in this city for the past three days. Even the fitful weather did not interfere greatly with the enjoyment of the session and while it may have hindered a few from attending, the large temple was crowded from the day of the opening to the close last night.

When the session opened yesterday morning the assembly proceeded at once to business and the election of officers for the coming year. Following is the result of the election: Mrs. Kate Crumline—Grand Matron, Arthur Davis—Grand Patron, Miss Clara Crocker—Associate Grand Matron, John C. Fry—Associate Grand Patron, Mrs. Magie—Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Della Haines—Grand Secretary, Mrs. Hughes—Grand Conductor, Mrs. Yates—Associate Grand Conductor, Mrs. Atkinson—Grand Aides, Mrs. Simmons—Grand Ruff, Mrs. Bessler—Grand Editor, Mrs. West—Grand Martha, Mrs. Strane—Grand Electa, Mrs. Grant—Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Leonard—Grand Marshal, Mrs. Roberts—Grand Secretary, Mrs. Schenck—Grand Warden, Mr. Rich—Grand Sentinel.

During the election of officers while the ballots were being counted, reports of the various committees were read and speeches were called for from the distinguished visitors from abroad. Very interesting little talks were made by the grand matron from Oklahoma, grand patron of Texas, Mrs. Cookling, W. M., associate grand conductor, Mrs. Lucy Levin of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Lorraine Peltin of Chicago. Mrs. Peltin spoke in thrilling words of the Fraternity building to be erected at the St. Louis exposition in 1904. She is the representative appointed by the order to attend the exposition.

The Grand Chapter voted \$1,000 to be placed in the fund for the new addition to be built to the Masonic Home to be used as a hospital.

Before the opening of the session yesterday morning an excellent program was rendered by the children of the home, children whose ages range from 2 to 15 years. They were trained by Mrs. A. N. Roberts, and the way in which they carried their parts was pleasing. When little Earl Pittinger sang "Hello, Central, Give Me Heaven," tears came to the eyes of those who heard it. After the following program, the children were given a silver shower, which amounted in all to \$1. Song of Welcome, Chorus Recitation—"Do We Meet Him on the Level", Charles Friel Song—"Hello, Central, Give Me Heaven", Earl Pittinger Recitation—"The Stars in the East", Song—"Hallelujah", By Six Girls Song—"Hallelujah", Claud Menter Recitation—"My Mother", Isabel Brickland Song—"Laugh Whenever You Can", By the Children Vocal Duet, Maud Brown, Ethel Nelson Recitation—"Ten Faults", Ray Childs Recitation—"Little Boy", Mary Parker Song—"Abraham Makes the Heart Grow Fonder", Earl Pittinger Recitation—"Keey A-Goine", Harry Beven Song—"Freedom's Glorious Song", R. Childs Recitation—"The Eastern Star", Nellie Beall Song—"Chime On, Sweet Bells", Children

GREAT SUCCESS.

Mosbacher's Auction Sale the Attraction.

The auction at Mosbacher's jewelry store has proven a great success. Great crowds throng the store every day during auction hours and the big bargains in cut glass, silverware, watches, rings and everything in his stock, which is being bid in at ridiculously low prices, are proving a great attraction for buyers. The sale will continue today and Saturday and possibly all next week.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

At the Crawford.

It is said that those who have read Winston Churchill's novel, "The Crisis," will be more than pleased with his dramatization of the same which James K. Hackett presents here at the Crawford tonight. The many characters and incidents in Mr. Churchill's story of the civil war seemed to make the possibility of a satisfactory stage representation as difficult as attempts for a stage version of Dickens' works had been in the past, and for the same reason. But Mr. Churchill seems to have solved the problem in a surprisingly effective way and all the attractive passages of the book are preserved with the same interesting prominence with which they were originally invested. Virginia Carvel, the charming, willful, tender-hearted heroine, is, of course, the object of adoration of Stephen Eric, who is retained as the central figure.

Colonel Carvel, the typical courteous southern gentleman, still has his political quarrels with his best friend, Judge Whipple, the Abolitionist; Stephen Eric, the young Bostonian, still alternately shocks Miss Carvel with his northern sentiments and pleases her with his quiet, unobtrusive gallantry; and thus arouses the enmity of Clarence Colfax, Miss Carvel's cousin and fiancé, by his evident admiration of her. Elphinstone Hopson, the schemer, whose only God is money, and who tries his wits to catch the wind, whether it blows north or south, still furnishes the only villainous element of the dramatic picture. The charming coterie

BIG PARADE WAS SUCCESS

Fifteen Threshing Machines Were in Line

WAS UNIQUE AFFAIR

Nothing Like It Had Ever Been Seen Before

Yesterday afternoon Wichita witnessed the parade of threshing machines and threshermen. There was never anything like it attempted in this city before, nor in any other city, and it was staged by the representative of one of the largest threshing machine companies in the country that they never had as many different machines in one line before. There were fifteen machines in the parade and seventeen companies were represented in the line.

Wichita never turned out a larger crowd of her own people to see a parade before, and there were several thousand strangers who came to this city for the one purpose of seeing this unique parade. Wichita will well feel proud of her threshing machine business. Every one of the companies represented in the parade has an agent in this city and transact their business for all of southern Kansas and northern Oklahoma from the general offices here. There were one or two companies with general agencies here which were not represented in the parade. Fifteen engines and separators made quite a long string of machinery and it was a very novel sight to watch the machines moving in line.

Every detail of the program had been carefully arranged and there was not a hitch in the whole arrangement, and the threshing machines did something no other parade ever did in Wichita—they started on time. The machines were steamed up and in the long before 3 o'clock and they were ready to start. The representatives who were to ride in carriages were on hand, the bands were in position, and within two minutes of the starting time Mr. Tracy, the marshal, gave the signal, the engine whistles tooted, the bands played, and the parade was moving on its line of march.

The parade was given under the most unfavorable conditions. Ever since the first of the week rain had fallen almost incessantly. The streets were next to impassable, and the heavy engines were taxed to their utmost in making the trip. The mud was five inches deep and it stuck to the wheels, filling up the spaces between the shafts and the drive wheels could hardly get a hold in the mud. The engines are heavy and to drag the separators through the mud when each wheel had to make its own track was a heavy strain. Fourteen of the engines made the entire trip. One became mired and all of its power could not get it out. The other machines pulled around it.

There is something fascinating in a threshing machine in motion. The compact engines with the very wide wheels and whirling balance wheel, the separators, those in line yesterday, were real clumps looking concerns, but one could not help thinking of the great work these machines do each year in taking the berries from the straw and putting the grain in such shape that it can be used by the miller.

The parade yesterday was one of power. The machines in the parade represented 20 indicated horse power. They had a capacity of 15,000 bushels of wheat to an ordinary day's run. There were not fifteen separators in the parade, but some of the largest manufactured could be seen. The average capacity of each machine is a car load of wheat every day. During a season's run of about a hundred days the full outfits could thresh 300 train loads of wheat of fifteen ears each.

The Innes band headed the parade. It was impossible for the men to walk, so a wagon was provided. Following the band came seven open carriages filled with the representatives of the different threshing machine manufacturers and attachment companies, and one wagon contained the Black Diamond Glee club. The Reeves Threshing company's outfit followed. This engine had the hardest job of the day. It had to break the path for the other engines. The mud was deep and covered the clogs but the engine pulled through all right and dragged the big separator behind it and also a water tank.

Each outfit was complete with every attachment to engine and separator. Following the Reeves outfit the rigs came in the following order: The Aultman company, Red River Special, Nichols & Shepherd company. This engine did not have a separator but had a special truck and furnished the steam for the American Thresherman's collier with Mr. Harry D. Clark at the controls. Mr. Clark would a number of popular tunes during the parade, and after the parade disbanded a furnished music for a great crowd.

The parade started at the corner of St. Francis avenue and First street and went south to William, west on William to Lawrence, north on Lawrence to Second, west on Second to Water, south on Water to William, where it was disbanded. Several stops had to be made during the trip in order to allow some of the engines to get a supply of water.

The engines crossed the paved streets on planking, except on Second street, where the brick pavement held them. Last night the Threshermen went to the performance of "The Bohemians" at the Toler Auditorium. The Wichita dealers bought the house and gave each thresherman a ticket. The performance was thoroughly enjoyed by the visitors.

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Morsman Innes & Co. The Popular Store. We offer a few items for Friday selling priced for easy buying. You can see your savings in these prices. A VERY SPECIAL SKIRT OPPORTUNITY—Walking Skirt, made of good quality ladies' cloth, in blue only. Slot seams and trimmed with buttons and straps of the same material. A skirt made to sell for \$1.00, and you have seen no better ones priced at that. For today only \$2.49. A BARGAIN IN QUILTS—White Honeycomb Quilts two and a half yards long and two and a quarter yards wide, fringed. We have priced this at \$1.25 and consider it good value at that; indeed, it is generous value at that price, but for today only we make it .79c. MADRAS WAISTING at a phenomenally low price. This is a white ground with a black stripe and a small colored figure. An excellent piece of goods and a 20-cent value. For today only .12c. SILK GINGHAMS in stripes and figures. Strictly high-grade goods. We have them in stripes and figures. This is an imported fabric and very desirable. We have sold it for 65c per yard. Today only .42c. FURNISH YOUR KITCHEN CHEAPLY. BLUE MOTTLED GRANITE WARE, TRIPLE COATED AND PORCELAIN LINED. QUALITY AND PRICE ARE BOTH HERE. 60c Stew Pans, 8-qt. .48c 75c Berlin Kettles, 8-qt. .59c 25c Wash Basin, .18c 60c Tea Pot, 2-qt. .39c 70c Tea Pot, 4-qt. .48c 75c Coffee Pot, 6-qt. .59c 25c Pudding Pan, 3-qt. .18c \$1.25 Tea Kettle .79c 30c Pudding Pan, 4-qt. .20c 65c Dish Pan, 14-qt. .45c 25c Pudding Pan, 4-qt. .20c

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James K. Brackett in "The Crisis."



The appearance here of James K. Hackett at the Crawford tonight will mark an era in the theatrical record of this season. Mr. Hackett has now been before the public four years as a star, and each year has offered something new and of high class for the amusement of theatre-goers. From his first appearance in "The Prisoner of Zenda," through "The Prisoner of Zenda," "The Prince of Jewels," and last year "Don Quixote's Return," he has steadily progressed in public estimation and improved in the attractiveness of his talents, until now he stands as one of the foremost young dramatic actors of today. This reputation has seemingly been hastily attained, but there is behind it all an indomitable will and almost superhuman energy which could hardly fail to bring him to the front sooner or later. It has proven to be sooner. Now he comes with a fifth play, which by all accounts from other critics is by far the most attractive of them all. It is the dramatization of Winston Churchill's celebrated novel, "The Crisis," which has been the most widely read book published in several years, and which is especially valuable to the present generation as an illustration of the private life of St. Louis families during the civil war. In it Mr. Hackett plays the part of Stephen Eric, the northerner who has fallen in love with the young southern girl, Virginia Carvel, against whom he is obliged to side when the trouble of secession arises. The part is distinctly different from any in which he has ever

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