

MASONS & EASTERN STAR HAVE JOINT INSTALLATION

Association of Commerce Approves Judge and Attorney

MASONIC HALL IS SCENE OF A DOUBLE INSTALLATION

F. & A. M. 188 and Southern Pine Chapter 81, Order of Eastern Star.

LARGE NUMBER WITNESSES CEREMONY

Conducted by E. G. Davis, Mason, and Mrs. J. B. Wortham, Eastern Star.

An incident of great moment to Southern Pine Chapter No. 81, of the Order of the Eastern Star occurred at Masonic Hall, in Covington, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. This order is one that has gained great prominence all over the country, and that has been specially honored here through the wonderful work that has been accomplished by the Grand Worthy Matron, Mrs. J. B. Wortham, whose lovable character and indefatigable exertion in the cause has brought her much honorable attention and many tokens of affectionate regard. Her labor has been one of love, and her success has been due to the subordination of every other interest and the devotion of her entire time to the good of the order. She is one of those who live their lives in the lessons given to others to learn.

The incident in question was the joint installation of newly elected officers of F. & A. M. No. 188 and Southern Pine Chapter No. 81 of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Wortham, who conducted the installation for the Eastern Star, stated that rarely was such an honor granted to their order, and the occasion was one of great pleasure and highly esteemed.

Proceeding the ceremony of installation, Mrs. Wortham gave a sketch of the history of the order, from its establishment by Mr. Morris in 1849, and commented upon its wonderful growth as an indication of the worthiness of its object and the success of its undertakings. At the conclusion of her remarks, Mrs. Wortham spoke of her visit to the Widows and Orphans' Home established by the Masons at Louisville.

ASSOCIATION OF COMMERCE MEETING OF MONDAY

Resolutions Passed Commending Judge Carter and District Attorney Brock.

COMMITTEE REPORTS TIMBER FOR FACTORY

Effort Will Be Made to Secure Land For Erection of a New Depot.

The Association of Commerce took up the depot matter again at its meeting last Monday evening. It was proposed that an effort be made to purchase the Polterent tract near the Covington Grocery & Grain Company for the site of the new depot, it being understood that the railroad company was willing to build if this could be done. It was proposed that the matter be taken up with Mr. Pitivent, believing that, as he is a progressive citizen, he would make as reasonable terms as possible. If this is accomplished, Covington will have an up-to-date depot. If this plan fails, however, it is probable that the matter will be placed before the Railroad Commission. The general feeling is, that an amicable settlement is preferable, and that the railroad people and the citizens should work hand in hand in friendly effort to promote the interests of both the town and the railroad. It is not desired that the railroad company should be compelled to do anything that is not entirely fair, but it is believed that it is hurtful to both the town and the company for present conditions to continue.

Resolutions were passed commending Judge Carter and District Attorney Brock for the stand they had taken in the enforcement of the liquor laws. Letters from private citizens have also been received by both in appreciation of their announcement that all violations of the Sunday and Gay-Shattuck laws would be punished.

The proceedings of the meeting follow:
Regular meeting of the Covington

SANTA CLAUS



FOR BENEFIT OF COVINGTON FIRE ASS'N

The Picture Show and Christmas Masque to be given next Thursday, December 28th, promises to be a success artistically and, we hope, financially.

SMASHED UP IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Another automobile accident added to the list of injured by reckless driving. Wednesday afternoon, at about 5:30, Frank Bauman, aged 16, and a younger boy named Dennis Cannon, were in a car driven by Frank Bauman. From all accounts the car was going at speed limit. Just before it reached Abita Springs it skidded into the ditch, turned three somersaults and pinned young Bauman underneath the wreck. Dennis Cannon was bruised but not seriously hurt. Bauman had his thigh and arm broken, and after being cared for by Dr. Bouquol was sent to New Orleans for further treatment at the hospital. Thursday morning, after his mother had been notified over the phone by Mrs. Blattner, at whose house young Bauman has been stopping.

Real Estate Transfers

Morgan Randolph to Wm. Williams, lots 1 and 2 square 19, in Mandeville.
Ed. Burns to F. Brugler, 30 acres of land on Tchoufunct river, \$350.
R. E. Cruise to Mrs. Estelle Moody, lots 36 and 48 square 142, in Mandeville, \$150.
J. L. Crawford to J. D. Young, 11.38 acres land in St. Tammany parish, \$171.
Morris Craddock to Westley O'Berry, tract of land in St. Tammany parish, \$450.
A. D. Lancaster to Wm. B. Lancaster, lots 31 to 34, square 95-B, in Mandeville, and 22 acres land in plots 5, 21, 22, 23, \$100.
Wm. B. Lancaster to E. W. Tisdale, lots 32, 34 and 36 in square 31, Abita Springs Annex, \$30.
Wm. B. Lancaster to J. M. Scherer, lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, in square 33, Abita Springs Annex, \$68.
Wm. B. Lancaster to Mrs. C. Meyers, lots 43, 44, 45, 46, in square 38, Abita Springs Annex, \$80.
Wm. B. Lancaster to R. K. Woodruff, lots 5 and 6, square 272, in Mandeville, \$40.

DISCOVERED



WILL BUILD AN ELEVATOR FOR HOME GRAIN

The Covington Grocery & Grain Company will erect a grain elevator to take care of the grain grown in St. Tammany parish. Heretofore there has been little corn grown that was not used on the farm. In fact, St. Tammany parish has not grown enough corn for its own needs, and a considerable amount has been purchased, which has been supplied from the corn districts of other states. But lately there has been a tendency to increase the corn acreage of St. Tammany, and furthermore it has been shown that not only good corn may be grown here, but that the average yield per acre, when cost of production is considered, is equal to that of the so-called corn belt. When the freight cost is considered, also, home grown corn is the cheapest and stock prefer it to the corn brought here from other sections.

The Covington Grocery & Grain Company believes that if there was proper storage capacity the yield of corn in St. Tammany parish would be boosted to figures far beyond anything in the past. In fact, that it would become a common field crop, because under their anticipated plans it would sell for cash, and to that extent would take the place of cotton. This company handles large quantities of corn, and it is compelled to go into the market to buy it. If the farmers of St. Tammany parish could produce this corn they will find a ready cash sale for it at the Covington Grocery & Grain's elevator, and the company will be able to store it and keep it in first-class condition until the demand takes it off their hands.

NEARLY A CENTENARIAN



MRS. CAROLINE POOLE WILSON
98 Years of Age.

Caroline Poole, wife of W. W. Wilson, died in Covington, La., Monday, December 18, 1916, at 4:30 a. m., at the ripe old age of 98 years. The funeral took place from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Robt. Badon, on 25th Avenue, services being conducted by Rev. J. M. Boykin, of the Methodist Church, at 4 o'clock p. m. She was the mother of four children. Mrs. Wilson could tell many interesting stories of war times and had passed through many trying experiences. Her husband was a ship carpenter, and after his death she lived among her children. During the Civil War she lived in Gretna. In the great overflow, about forty years ago she was caught by the flood from a crevasse and floated for a week in an old houseboat before she was found and rescued. She enjoyed excellent health and strength up to within several weeks of her death.

SLIDELL WILL HAVE HIGHWAY, SHELL STREETS

Suit Against Northeastern In Passenger Matter To Be Decided In January.

VACANCY IN SCHOOL BOARD TO BE FILLED

Other Slidell News and Personals Gathered by Our Slidell Correspondent.

(By Staff Correspondent.)
Slidell, La., Dec. 21, 1916.
A fifth Sunday meeting will be held with the Slidell Baptists, and the churches of Washington and St. Tammany parishes, on the 30th and 31st.
The Neuhauser new store, and a brick building at that, is to be one of the coming 1917 improvements.
One hundred and ten dollars a front foot is the present price of lots in the burned district opposite the railroad station. No pound prices on this soil.
Dufour, of Covington, and Dubourg, of Slidell, are the latest additions to the Slidell Storm force of salesmen.
S. R. Reiden has had a bad eye, caused by cold, but is very much improved now. He can see fairly well with it.
Mayor Badon says the council has in contemplation a present to the town of some shelled streets, and some other needed improvements. If front street will be opened, will fill a long felt want. It was unfortunate for the town that work on it was ever stopped by injunction. It would be a more direct route up town and down town to every body in town if it could be used.
The suit of the town against the railroads, to force the N. O. G. N. to carry Slidell passengers into New Orleans, will be decided in January. The Railroad Commission has its order of adjournment.
The Covington barbers appealed to the town council to close them on Sundays, but the local shavers have not adopted such rules, as yet. Gella, the Hughes friend, has kept closed Sunday shop for several years.
E. J. Domergue, of the Slidell Grocery & Grain Company, works at the Slidell office eight days every week, and the balance of the week at Covington and other branches.
A good work for the school league will be to get the citizens interested in planting trees, shrubs and vines, and thus try to help the looks of the town.
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PRAISE FOR NEGRO SCHOOL

Leo M. Favrot, State Inspector of Colored Schools, recently inspected the industrial schools at Indian Village and Slidell. He commented very favorably upon the excellence of these schools, stating that he had not found any better in the State. He was much pleased at the fact that these two schools had United States flags floating above them, and that the pupils were being taught love and respect for their country and its laws.
A visit of the Industrial Supervisor brought out similar comments, when the flag raising took place on Thanksgiving. The Indian Village school has two rooms and was built by the patrons and Dr. Jas. H. Dillard, president of the Jeana fund. Frank Cloud and Peter Foster have been instrumental in accomplishing much for the school. A. H. Caldwell is principal of the Slidell school, and has also been an efficient and hard worker for its success.

Postoffice Will Be Opened Sunday.

Postmaster Sells announces that the postoffice will remain open for a while after the distribution of tomorrow morning's mail (Sunday), in order to deliver Christmas packages.
There have been men and women of mature years. These past middle life have usually been the most ardent in this work. Some of those who attended the first short course, a number of years ago, have attended each year since.
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In "Under Two Flags," Parkview, Christmas



The picture program for this Friday night at the Parkview Theatre will be a five part feature entitled "Rolling Stones," featuring Owen Moore and Marguerite Courtot. Doors open at 7 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents.
On Sunday, December 24, the management will present Mae Marsh and Robert Harron in "The Marriage of Moe O'." a big Triangle feature. Along with this will be run a two part comedy entitled "His Feathered Nest," with Charles Murray as the comedian. Doors open at 5 p. m. Admission 10 and 15 cents.
On Xmas Day Theda Bara will be presented in "Under Two Flags," one of the best features she has ever attempted. The doors will be open at 5 p. m. on this day. The prices will be 10 and 15 cents.
Tuesday, Dec. 26, the theatre will not operate, as has been the custom.
On Wednesday, Dec. 27, a five part feature will be presented entitled "Anton the Terrible," featuring Theodore Roberts. Doors open at 7 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents.
Thursday, Dec. 28, will be the feature attraction of the week and it will be for the benefit of the Fire Department. A little Christmas play has been carefully arranged and will be put on in addition to the pictures. The doors will open at 5 p. m., and the prices will be 10 and 15 cents.
Friday, Dec. 29, the third episode of "A Lass of the Lumberlands" will be presented. As announced by hand bills the management will give 10 votes with every admission on this night until further notice. Three reels are always run in addition to "A Lass of the Lumberlands." The prices on this night are always 5 and 10 cents.
There is a good chance for some little girl to jump in and win the watch bracelet, now on display at Leon's Pharmacy. As the manager.