

CITY ITEMS

Mrs. Lizzie Mary Froman of Denver, Colo., was called to the city on account of the serious illness of her sister Adella Mary Mitchell.

Dr. and Mrs. Rufus Cheek had as their guest to dinner Sunday Mrs. L. D. Bumbley of Texas and her sister Mrs. N. B. Hoster of Palatka, Fla., who are in the city for a few weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stall are the smiles of a fine girl weighing 104 lbs. born to them July 9th. Baby and mother are doing fine.

Mrs. Lottie Phillips James and Mrs. Lucy Phillips Stewart and babies of St. Louis Mo., are in the city the guest of their father, Bishop Phillips, 123 14th Ave. N.

Miss Vennie M. Cole, has gone to New York City, for a few weeks stay, visiting her brother, Mr. Levi Cole.

Mrs. H. J. Wade, who has been visiting relatives and friends of the city, was the pleasant guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thorne Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Wade has now returned to her home in St. Louis.

Mrs. Clara Hightower Dockett, wife of Dr. A. B. Dockett of Quitman, Ga., is now in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hightower, of 41 Lewis St.

Mr. Tom Seay of Bellwood, Tenn., spent Friday and Saturday last week in the city as the guest of Mrs. Callie Allen of Tremont avenue.

MRS. CORA E. BURKE, G. W. C., DELIVERS ANNUAL MESSAGE.

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da, should any of it get lost or misplaced you are responsible. For the most part the various officers in subordinate Courts are bonded, yet there are a few who think it just as well that they should not. I have heard of few instances this year of money of the Courts being misplaced or wrongly handled for the most part we are learning to transact our business as it should be transacted. We can not be too particular when it comes to handling the funds of the Court. Go at it in a business like way and see to it that officers do their duty, thus you will save the credit of your Court and avoid unpleasantness in the transaction of their business.

MONEY.

I have urged and urged upon our members the necessity of placing their money in some bank. Now let me say again—Put your money in some good bank—would you care to have a colored bank to make your deposits there, if there is not, the Courts money belong in a bank. For the most part this request has been carried out and the money deposited in the various banks. It should only be drawn out upon the signature of the three officers designated. No one should make their home a store house for the money of the Courts. Your money should only be used for the indebtedness of your Court and to pay your sick claims. Too often your money is used for other purposes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

With the growth of the order comes a growth of the work and a growth of correspondence. It is not expedient for me to visit each Court therefore it is necessary that a deal of correspondence be carried on between the Courts and the head of the organization. No letter that reaches me is left unanswered. I have answered each missive, although if they would have read the law it would have been unnecessary for as many letters to pass. However, you may never know if you never ask. The work this year for the most part has been very pleasant but heavy.

I have sent out proclamations as I felt it was necessary to do. First I sent out proclamation relative to our last Grand meeting giving the officers, and changes in laws. Then the proclamations relative to our Petition Day Rally in Oct.—Then the proclamation of our anniversary and one reminding you again of the last semi-annual Petition Day Rally, offering three prizes to the Court bringing in the largest number of new or reinstated members, lastly the one calling you to attend the Grand Court Annual Session. I have sent out the proclamation of the Supreme Worthy Counselor as they have come to me. There has been a tremendous lot of work in my office this year I have tried to keep the work up to the highest point of efficiency.

No communication has come to my office without being answered. I have replied to all no matter how unimportant a communication has been I think when people write you they wish an answer.

Many letters would not have to be written if we would refer to the law of the court a little more often and read the pages of it more constantly.

VISITS.

Just after the Grand Lodge adjourned I was called to Milan to visit Golden Light Court as there was some trouble which seemed was impossible for the Deputy to settle. I met the Court and its officers, the trouble was between the Receiver of Deposit Register of Deeds and the Recorder of Accounts. Court had their money deposited in the bank. It was carried to the bank irregularly and by other persons rather than the Receiver of Deposit. It was drawn out at will by the Register of Deeds who wrote the checks and signed the various officers. When the reckoning time came of course there was a shortage and a mingled set of books. The Deputy tried to get them out of entangle. The officers would not allow him to examine them. Which he had perfect right to do, and let me say hear that all deputies, before they install the officers of their Courts in their Jurisdiction should examine the books and see that they are neatly and accurately kept. Any officer who fails to allow the Deputy to do so, by withholding the books should at once be suspended from office and select some one who will obey the order of the Grand Body and respect the higher officers.

This Deputy upon failure to get the books from said officer should have sent an officer for them. But he out of the goodness of his heart and not wishing to use his power and let the matter go, and I was sent for.

The accounts were so tangled and the books so poorly kept, that I could not tell anything about them. I gave

them instruction as to how to handle the finances of the Court and since they had elected a new Receiver a Deposit—They began anew in the proper way and since that time things have moved on very smoothly.

I received an urgent request to come to Lebanon to meet Nathaniel Court No. 88, as much trouble existed there between the Court and the Deputy. I went there after leaving Milan. Of all the tangles, gossips and misrepresentations you ever heard we found there. The Deputy for some reason, which I cannot state, so badly misrepresented the Grand Worthy Counselor saying I had ordered her to do things which I never heard of and trying to carry out her own wishes by misrepresenting me. She had up to this time made a splendid deputy and was as I thought the right woman in the right place. She went so far as to forge my name to letters written by her changing the wording of my letters to suit herself. But she got on the wrong track and should have been charged and turned out of the order. But for past record I reasoned with her and tried to show her wherein she was wrong. I left thinking that after this escapade she would do the right thing. But this was not in her, so it broke out a fresh. I sent the Deputy Sister Dowell to visit this Court with the authority to suspend this sister from the order. She was in the arrears for dues etc., was notified to pay up, her failure to do so, she was suspended from the Court. This Court and Juvenile now is working in peace and harmony have added new members to their ranks and are now doing well.

to the Endowment and the Burial Boards were called to hold their quarterly meetings in Memphis. Our visit had been heralded an much preparation had been made for our coming by the various Courts of Memphis. No notes were spared to make our visit pleasant, auto rides, feasts, flowers, and dinners were in abundance. We are indeed grateful to Kt. Ward for special services of his machine while in their city, to the Pythians of Memphis for flowers and to the Grand Officers domiciled there, the Grand Deputy, Officers and members of the various Courts who made our stay so pleasant and enjoyable. We were also present at the installation of the new Court Miles No. 192 in the suburbs of Memphis. A spread was here found also and the table groaned under its contents.

While in that section of the state I visited Queen of Sheba Court, No. 95 at Woodstock of which Sister Pinkie White is W. C. Here I found a lovable set of members imbued with the spirit of F. H. and L. This indeed is one of the best Courts in the state. They also had a feast and we felt that we had better be getting toward the hills of East Tennessee unless we die of over eating and courtesies.

In January the Endowment Board met in the city of Nashville. After a very pleasant session were highly entertained by the Courts of Nashville in the beautiful and commodious reception rooms of the A. M. E. Publishing House. No pains were spared in making our stay a happy one. The Courts of Nashville need to be complimented for the honor done the Board. They shall always be held in the highest esteem by your humble servant. Long live the faithful Calvary of Nashville Queen Corrine Court No. 187 also very pleasantly entertained us with a banquet.

In Feb. I was asked to visit Excelsior Court No. 115 of Johnson City, Tenn. Here existed some trouble between the Deputy and some members of the Court after setting them right we left after a profitable visit.

July the 15th found me in the beautiful little city of Athens conferring with the members of Juanita Court No. 95. This Court has been recently organized. Not quite a year old yet, I found the members full of enthusiasm for the work. They were working in peace and harmony and were much interested in the order. They were up on the ritualistic work, giving correctly all signs, grips and passwords and even though they were young they had a nice bank account. At night they had a public installation and entertainment which was the fruits of receiving several applications for new members besides making a nice sum of money.

ENDOWMENT.

This department is on a firm basis, money is handled carefully and judiciously, paying each worthy claim as they have come to us. Still we say, no law suit yet. This shows a strict observance to the laws of the order. I am pleased to note the case of irregularity on the part of the officers of the various Courts has been brought to our notice this year. The Register of Deeds and other officers are growing more careful as to the conduct of the affairs of the subordinate Courts.

No member should be allowed to be financial in the subordinate Court who has not paid her endowment. If a sister is carried financial on the books of the Courts her endowment should be sent up when the theotars are sent up. If you fail to pay her endowment then she must be declared suspended and notified of the fact.

This year we have placed on interest in the various banks \$10,000. This money bears interest at 3 and 4 per cent which means so much to the department.

We have held our quarterly meetings regularly and on time. Each meeting has been blessed with the best of feeling on the part of the officers. No ill feeling or cross words. Everything has moved like a clock. We have stuck strictly to business, doing the work on business like principles.

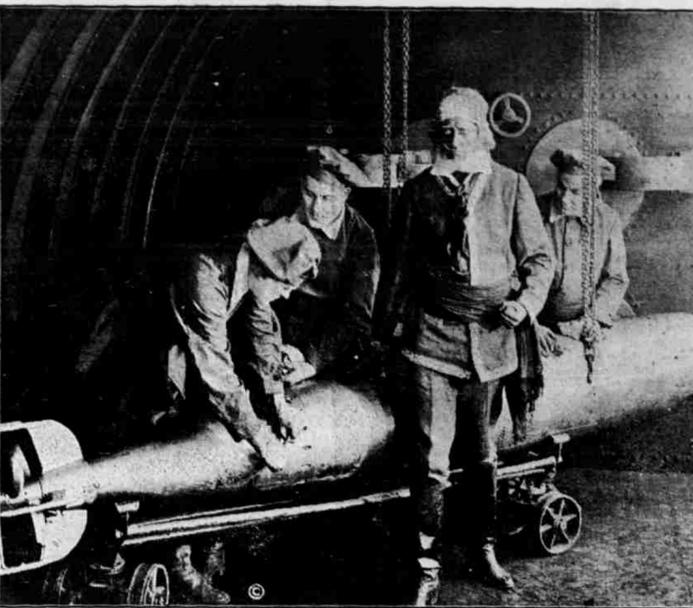
One claim of Clover Blossom Court No. 125 has been held up for more than two years. This claim was made payable to a minor child. Mr. Sam Reagan qualified as guardian which was very unsatisfactory to the family and the court. Since that no one else has qualified, hence the check for \$100 is still in our possession awaiting a legal guardian.

BURIAL DEPARTMENT.

No department could bring the prestige to the order that this has. It has been a blessing to the Courts and members throughout the Jurisdiction. Some of our Courts have been visited by death two and three times and as many times they have received a check for \$50 to defray the expense of the burial of a deceased sister. Just think of it ten cents per month a burial of \$50 say nothing of the members in such sad time. Indeed no Court could have gotten through with it, without an extra taxation to bury their deceased.

Each claim has been paid as it came into the office, some Courts receiving

"20,000 Leagues Under the Sea."



In the Trip to Room of the Submarine Captain Nemo prepares to fire a torpedo at his enemy's ship, Bijou Theatre, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 3 and 4.

their money within a week after the death of a member. This department has also been able to keep \$2000 on interest in bank with over \$2000 in the banking department.

DEPUTIES

Soon after our last Grand Session I sent to the various Deputies throughout the Jurisdiction their commissions. All have not been pleased yet for the most part they have given full satisfaction. The deputies have worked diligently for the growth and prosperity of the order. They have kept the work up to a high standard of efficiency. Encouraging the despondent, building up the weak places and settling disputes and difficulties with justice to all.

Some of our people think that a deputy has no right which they are bound to respect. Now a Deputy Grand Worthy Counselor has the same rights as a Grand Worthy Counselor in her sphere. They should be given the same courtesy and respect. It is the duty of the Deputy to visit the various Courts throughout their jurisdiction as often as possible, encourage the work, see the deacons, examine the books of the various officers and install the officers semi-annually.

Some Courts think that a deputy should only visit at times of installation and they could not come unless sent for. Now in this they are mistaken. A deputy has a right to visit any Court or Juvenile at any time she sees fit. I have heard of deputies visiting Courts and they would not let her in, saying for her to call again. Now this is wrong dear sisters, a deputy should be made welcome at any time and should visit often. They should be treated with the same courtesy as the Grand Worthy Counselor. A deputy should be kind and patient with the Courts, offering suggestions in a pleasant manner, deal firmly but kindly with her members and give justice to all holding malice toward none.

OFFICERS OF SUBORDINATE COURTS.

In the selection of the various officers of your courts you shall select the person best fitted for the place regardless of life and dislikes.

The Worthy Counselor is the head of the Court. She has the general oversight of the transactions and business of the Court. She is held responsible for the other officers performing their duties. She should see to it that they send all reports to the Grand Officers promptly. She should also see to it that each committee do the work entrusted. She should handle her office in a loving spirit with justice to all and malice toward none.

I would urge upon the officers of the various Courts to be very careful about the way in which their books are kept. The Register of Deeds should keep a correct memorandum of each and every transaction of her Court. I have gone into Courts and the members would tell me that such and such an action had been done in the Court room and upon investigation we found no trace of such transaction. Some Courts have had to pay sick dues and other things which if a record had been made in the minutes probably this money would yet have been in their treasure. Then it may be that some times the records may be shown in the Civil courts who knows. So you see the importance of keeping a true record of all proceedings of the Court giving a record of receipts and disbursements and balance on hand at each meeting.

The Recorder of Accounts should keep a true financial account between the Court and its members. She should report all members who are in arrears at the end of each quarter. She should also keep an itemized account of the receipts of each meeting, placing the same in the back of the Boyd Record Book. The Receiver of Deposits should also have a book in which is kept the receipts and the disbursements of each meeting. She should always give the Recorder of Accounts a receipt for the money turned over to her. No money should be paid out without an order signed by the Worthy Counselor and the Worthy Register of Deeds.

At the beginning of the term a sick committee should be appointed, said committee should visit the sick frequently. Here-in lies the advancement and prosperity of the Court.

GRAND OFFICERS.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to speak of the faithfulness and trustworthiness of the Grand Officers which you have selected from time to time. They have given excellent service always looking out for the interest of the order. They are kind, lovable and true. They have been my armor bearers—

NECROLOGY-IN MEMORIAM.

I stand before you today I am reminded of the dear Calantheans who have crossed the river of Jordan and with us no more. It is quite normal that their memories linger with us for we were blessed with their presence last year. It is sad to think of our loved ones who have gone on before us. With tearful eyes and a heavy full of sorrow we see what is left of them despoiled in their last resting place to have the feet fall on all that is left and to listen to the pitiful sari, Earth to earth. Dust to dust. Yet we must be submissive. He who sleeps will enter the Kingdom brighter than we.

DEATH IS A UNIVERSAL HERITAGE.

We have been live an uncertain crew, we die.

The hereditary mystery, the existence of a problem, the end an unavoidable.

In the month of we learned of the death of sister Rosa Rose. She was one of the organic members of this organization and worked faithfully for its interest. With thoughtful hearts our minds go back to the session of early last year, when we can see her sitting at the table assisting so nobly in making our Grand Session pleasant. She has been present at each Grand Session lending her aid and assistance. We shall indeed miss her, may her memory ever be kept alive.

We have also mourned the loss of a Grand Officer in the person of Sister E. B. Smith G. W. A. C. of Allens Creek. For two consecutive years she has served by this body. She gave excellent service to us as well as her subordinate Court. Her Court failed to notify me of her death, therefore no honor was done her memory by our Grand Court. I did not know of her death until I saw mention of it in the Globe. Her life was an active one, we but say sleep on.

The grim reaper has also taken unto his own Sister Maria Crawford the mother of the founder of our Grand Body the late Dr. R. F. Boyd. The mother he loved so well. No visit was ever made to her bedside but what she would speak of her son. What a happy meeting of mother and son parted since 1911.

We also mourn the loss of Bro. Gilbert White the loving husband of our Grand Receiver of Deposit, just after the close of our last session and sister H. L. Gray and a host of other faithful and lovable Calantheans. Gratefully, gladly we revere them, mournfully we think of them and in sadness we turn to thoughts of other days and in fancy clasp a vanished hand and hear voices that are forever still.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. In visiting the various Courts I find many different kinds of regalia,

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had and indifferent. Many complaints have been made of poor material of which they are made. Therefore I recommend that all regalia be purchased through the office of the G. W. C. and a penalty of a fine of \$5.00 for failure to comply with the same.

In view of the fact that we are older and the endowment is on a firm basis I recommend that the Endowment Board hold semi-annual meetings in January and July. All claims being paid quarterly as heretofore. An extra quarterly meeting may be held at the discretion of the G. W. C. when found necessary.

Not every one can win in any competition. If you have it in you to be the best you will be. If you have no better ability than will win you tenth place be grudging some one else around place will not advance you one step.

Most of us know this, most of us know it in the excitement of striving. We ought to be grateful for the competition which urges us out of lethargy and on to do our best. We ought to be grateful for the people we have helped win success.

This great big world in which each play our own part and in which each of us choose whether we play our part well or ill. The point in playing your part is to put your best into it and get the utmost out of it.

There's room for us all in this world. Let us teach play our own part without trying to spoil other peoples exits and entrances, or to steal any of their curtain call. There is success enough to go around taking what belongs to you leaves enough for everybody else. Try to take what belongs to some body else leaves you nothing.

When one falls to do their duty that weakens the link in the chain and no chain is stronger than its weakest link. Let every link in the chain which binds us closely together be strong unbroken henceforth.

If I have been of service to you it has been gladly given and I have been fully repaid by the loving friendships that have been formed and the kindness, courtesy and considerations that have been shown to me at all times by the members through the state. The way has not always been easy but there have been more roses than thorns. I wish to express my deep appreciation for your patience and forbearance, for mistakes which have been made.

Let us retain our ideas and strive always to live up to them and let us remember that four things can not come back. "The word spoken, the deed done, time past, the neglected opportunity."

I have endeavored to be sympathetic just and fair. I have endeavored to aim straight to the mark. As we go back to our homes let us endeavor to restrain from criticizing those in higher office, and work harder and with more determination for the upbuilding of the order.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I wish to thank all who have in any way made my stay in office a pleasant one. I wish to thank the Grand Officers for their kindness and punctuality to duty. I wish to thank the Bro. Knights for their advice and support. I wish to thank the Subordinate Officers and members for the support given me and the many kindness shown. I could not close my report without thanking my faithful corp of Deputies. They have indeed borne the burden in the heat of the day. They have advised commended and protected the order.

Thanking you again and again, I am Yours in F. H. and L. CORA E. BURK, Grand Worthy Counselor

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G. U. O. of O. F. ALL DELEGATES AND FRIENDS desiring the best accommodation to the GRAND LODGE are invited to unite with the Nashville delegation which leaves Nashville, Sunday evening, August 12th at 9:15 P. M., over the N. C. and St. L. R. R. A special car has been secured for the Nashville delegation. You are also invited to meet at the ODD FELLOWS' HALL, 447-4th Avenue, North, upon your arrival in the city to be entertained by the Nashville delegation. Sub. Committee of Nashville Delegation: W. D. HAWKINS, W. T. WRIGHT, WM. PATTERSON

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