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MASONIC SORORITY IN MEETING HERE

GRAND CHAPTER OF MISSISSIPPI, O. E. S., HOLDS ANNUAL CONVENTION.

SEVERAL HUNDRED DELEGATES PRESENT

Visitors Were Cordially Received and Meeting Was a Most Profitable One.

The Grand Chapter of Mississippi, Order of Eastern Star, which has been in session here since Monday, yesterday selected Natchez as its next meeting place and elected the following grand officers for the ensuing year: Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Bertha Scales, of Starkville; Worthy Grand Patron, B. F. Jamison, of Meridian; Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Minnie M. Grayson, of Biloxi; Associate Grand Patron, D. F. McCullough, of Columbus, Grand Secretary, Mrs. Myra C. Eaton, of Hattiesburg; Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Mattie G. Davis, Okolona; Grand Conductress, Mrs. Nannie Allen, Kosciusko; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Edna Alexander, Booneville.

Mrs. Scales announces the following list of appointive officers: Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Annie Pleasants, of Jackson; Grand Marshal, Mrs. Virginia Price, Carrollton; Grand Organist, Miss Mabel McLeod, Hattiesburg; Grand Adah, Mrs. Mattie Ferris, McNeil; Grand Ruth, Mrs. Joyce Rankin, Gulfport; Grand Esther, Mrs. Ray Kleban, Starkville; Grand Martha, Mrs. Le Verne Williams, Hesterville; Grand Electa, Mrs. Irma Sanford, Ackerman; Grand Warden, Mrs. Alice Stevens, West Point; Grand Sentinel, Julius Yareaky, Shuqualak.

Business meetings were held yesterday morning and afternoon and the formal closing of the grand chapter took place last night after the installation of the grand officers.

Columbus was in gala attire the past few days in honor of the five hundred delegates who came here to attend the tenth annual meeting of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, Order of the Eastern Star. Flags adorned all public buildings and many of the stores in the business districts were attractively decorated. A vast majority of the delegates in attendance are ladies and their presence on the streets makes it look very much like Columbus was holding a "Fashion Week" display.

The festivities incident to the occasion opened Monday night with a reception and banquet at the Gilmer Hotel. D. F. McCullough, worthy patron of the local lodge, officiated as toastmaster at the banquet, and toasts were responded to not only by members of the visiting delegation but by several prominent local citizens.

The initial business session of the convention was held at the First Baptist church at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, having been opened with prayer by Dr. J. L. Viperman, pastor of the church. Addresses of welcome were then delivered on behalf of the city by Hon. James T. Harrison, on behalf of the Columbus Lodge No. 66, O. E. S., by Mrs. Ada McClanahan, and on behalf of the Columbus Lodge No. 5, A. F. and A. M., by Hon. J. F. Frierson. These addresses were responded to for the visiting delegates by Mrs. Annie Burke, of Tupelo, worthy grand matron, Mrs. Bertha Scales, of Starkville and Mrs. Addie Brown of Kosciusko. Mrs. Brown's address closed the program, and at its conclusion the assemblage was dismissed, the benediction having been pronounced by Rev. W. S. Slack, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Receptions to the past grand matrons, past grand patrons, district deputy grand matrons, the grand representatives and a memorial service in honor of the late Mrs. Rita Mills, who for many years was worthy grand matron of the national

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LADIES DECORATE SOLDIERS' GRAVES

U. D. C. SPONSORS MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION.

THE EXERCISES ARE IMPRESSIVE

Procession Forms at City Hall and Proceeds Thence to Friendship Cemetery.

With ceremonies more elaborate than any which have characterized a similar occasion for many years past, Confederate Memorial Day was observed here yesterday, ideal weather conditions having made it possible to carry out without abridgment or curtailment the splendid program that had been arranged for the celebration.

The celebration was under the auspices of the Stephen D. Lee Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and those who participated assembled at the city hall at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. There a procession was formed, with Capt. T. H. Sharp, Messrs. C. H. Cooke, T. B. Hardy, W. G. Evans, H. H. Gunter and C. W. Evans officiating as marshals, proceeded to Friendship cemetery, where the ceremonies took place. The procession included the officers and members of Isham Harrison Camp No. 27, United Confederate Veterans, the officers and members of Stephen D. Lee Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, the music committee, local Boy Scouts and a number of private citizens, all having ridden in automobiles.

The ceremonies at the cemetery

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LITIGANTS AGREE ON VALUE OF IMPROVEMENTS

CASE INVOLVING THE NEILSON PLACE IN CHEROKEE NEIGHBORHOOD IS SETTLED.

Hon. Albert Y. Woodward, judge of the sixth Chancery court district, convened a special term of chancery court here yesterday for the purpose of finally adjusting a case involving the ownership of a plantation in the Cherokee neighborhood about eight miles northeast of Columbus locally known as the Neilson place.

The place was purchased many years ago by Messrs. W. H. and C. M. Ottley, and the Neilson heirs recently sued to recover the property. The case was decided in favor of the plaintiffs by the supreme court, and the purpose of the chancellor yesterday was to decide upon the value of the improvements made on the place by the Messrs. Ottley. The matter was settled, amicably, an agreement regarding the value of the improvements having been reached by the litigants.

The Messrs. Ottley were represented by Hon. D. W. Houston of Aberdeen and Hon. James T. Harrison of this city, while Messrs. Frierson and Hale appeared for the Neilson heirs.

Will Give Tea.

There will be a silver tea at Mrs. Lee Caine's residence this afternoon from 5 to 6 o'clock, given by the Altar Guild of St. Paul's Episcopal church. Miss Margaret Rhett and Miss Elise Lipscomb will sing, and Miss Grace Gilbert, senior music pupil at the college will play a selection on the piano. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Woodlawn School Closes.

The commencement exercises at Woodlawn school, northeast of Columbus, took place on last Friday evening, and a most interesting program was rendered.

An address was delivered by Hon. M. E. White, a prominent young attorney of this city. His talk was an eloquent and forceful one, and deeply impressed the large crowd present.

Messrs. A. W. Booth, F. B. Carter, J. A. Willis, Rubin Flint, Acker Rogers and Dr. J. W. Basham, of Aberdeen, were among the visitors who came to Columbus yesterday to witness the University-A. and M. baseball game.

GUNTER WINS IN SECOND PRIMARY

PRESENT MAYOR DEFEATS HON. E. S. DONNELL BY FORTY VOTES.

VALIANT WORK BY EACH CANDIDATE

Vast Interest Was Manifested and Vote Was Larger Than in First Contest.

In a Democratic primary which followed one of the most intensely interesting political campaigns ever witnessed in Columbus, Hon. W. C. Gunter, the present mayor of the city, was on Tuesday renominated for the term beginning January 1, 1917, by a majority of forty, having received 393 votes, while his opponent, Hon. E. S. Donnell, received 353.

The contest was a run-off, the first primary having been held on April 18, and having, so far as the mayorality was concerned, been without a decisive result. In the first race Mr. Gunter received 320 votes, Mr. Donnell 313 and Mr. Louis Shull, the third aspirant for the office, 108. This made a total of 741 votes, while the total on Tuesday was 746, an increase of five votes, and this serves to indicate the interest manifested in the race, as a second political election seldom serves to bring out as large a vote as that polled in the original contest.

Nomination in a Democratic primary is tantamount to election here, and Mr. Gunter will be officially named as mayor for the succeeding biennial term at the regular election, which occurs on the first Monday in December.

While the campaign which ended Tuesday was a most vigorous one, both aspirants having worked assiduously to secure the office at stake, it was without acrimony, and the election passed off quietly, Mr. Gunter naturally having been pleased by his nomination and Mr. Donnell having accepted the result gracefully and philosophically.

There was only one polling place, all votes having been cast at the city marshal's office in the municipal building, and the election was conducted by the following officials: judges, Messrs. R. E. Mahon, G. H. Curtis and Myrick Cox; clerks, Messrs. Homer Kilpatrick, John J. Richards and Julius Marx.

Arrested for Burglary.

Chief of Police H. Maxwell, of Starkville, spent Tuesday in Columbus, having come here for the purpose of taking back two negroes who recently burglarized a Starkville home. The negroes charged with burglary were members of what was known as the Mobile orchestra, which has furnished music in a number of stores here the past several days.

Miss Mary Linderman, of Starkville, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Mr. Ike Winston spent Sunday in Starkville with relatives.

Mr. H. D. Falls, of the A. and M. College, spent Tuesday in the city looking after business for the College Reflector.

HIGHWAY MEETING TO BE HELD THURSDAY, MAY 11

BOOSTERS WILL FORMULATE PLANS TO PUSH THOROUGH.

FARE TO COMPLETION.

Thursday, May 11, has been selected as the date of the meeting which is to be held in this city for the purpose of boosting the plan to complete as early as possible the Mississippi route for the proposed Jackson highway, and it is the purpose of those back of the movement to make it one of the biggest meetings ever held in this section for a similar purpose.

Hon. T. J. Locke, Jr., the local member of the executive committee of the Jackson Military Highway Association, is in receipt of a letter from Hon. R. T. Simpson of Florence, Ala., president of the association, giving his official sanction to hold the meeting on the above mentioned date.

Addresses will be delivered not only by prominent local citizens but

CHAMPIONSHIP IS WON BY AGGIES

"OLE MISS" LOSES INTER-COLLEGIATE GAME BY CLOSE SCORE.

TWO THOUSAND WITNESS CONTEST

Kinney Pitched for A. and M. and Allowed Only Four Scattered Hits.

"Ole Miss" lost the state inter-collegiate championship baseball game at Lake Park yesterday afternoon, the Mississippi Aggies having won by a score of 4 to 3. Two home runs, one by Loper in the first inning bringing in one man, and the other by Boho in the fifth caused the A. and M. to take the third of the series.

In the last half of the sixth the score stood 3 to 0. Next, for the A. and M., went to second on a dropped fly to right field, and scored on a two base hit by Case. In the seventh, McInnis, for the University, walked, and went to second on a wild throw, scoring when Scharbrough singled. In the eighth Beaulieu, for the University, sent a bad grounder to left field and went to third. Murphy next hit to pitcher and Beaulieu scored. It was in the ninth that the game began to warm up. Anderson, a University pinch hitter, was first up and made a two base hit, McInnis hit to first, sending Anderson to third, and another run was made when Carr put a long fly to right field. They were unable, however, to score again.

Kinney, for the A. and M., was in fine shape, allowing only four hits. Holmes, who was on the mound for the University allowed 10.

The contest yesterday was the third of a series, the teams having broken even in the first two games last week.

At least two thousand people saw the game. Many students of the Industrial Institute and College were present, and several hundred visitors were here from surrounding towns.

Score by innings: R. H. E. U. of Miss. 000 001 011 3 4 2 A. & M. 200 011 00 4 10 7 Cassibry and Holmes; Rogers and Kinney; Umpire, Mahon.

IRISH REVOLT AND CAPTURE BUILDINGS IN DUBLIN FIGHT

GERMAN BATTLE SQUADRON MAKES ATTACK ON ENGLISH COAST.

London, April 26.—A revolutionary outbreak in which British troops and volunteers sustained relatively heavy casualties, and a raid by a German battle cruiser squadron on the east coast of England, in which the raiders escaped after having bombarded Lowestoft, are the outstanding features of the war news.

So far as has been made public the revolution in Ireland has not extended beyond Dublin, where members of the Sinn Fein society on Monday captured the postoffice and other points in Dublin and in fighting which ensued with the troops and loyalists, killed at least 11 of the city's defenders and wounded nearly a score of others. What the losses of the revolutionists were has not been stated. The British government states that the revolution situation in Dublin now is very quiet.

The German battle cruiser squadron made its attack on Lowestoft, opening fire on the coast and killing two men, one woman and a child. British light cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers and aircraft chased the Germans, who put back hastily towards Germany. Two British cruisers and a destroyer were hit by German shells, but none were sunk. Whether the Germans suffered any damage is not known.

Except in Loraine there has been an entire absence of infantry fighting on the western front. The big guns, however, have continued their rain of shells on opposing positions at various points.

by highway boosters from Meridian, Florence and other cities along the proposed route, and it is expected that there will be a large crowd present.

COURT RECESSES TO HONOR HEROES

ADJOURNMENT TAKEN TO ATTEND MEMORIAL EXERCISES.

THE GRAND JURY FINISHES WORK

Examine 107 Witnesses and Returned 13 True Bills—Odum Not Indicted.

Circuit court took a recess yesterday afternoon in order that officials, lawyers and litigants might attend the Confederate Memorial exercises which were held at Friendship cemetery. Chancellor A. Y. Woodward was here for a special session of chancery court to hear testimony and argument in a case concerning the ownership of the plantation known as the Neilson place in the Cherokee neighborhood, and the circuit court room was turned over to him for the afternoon.

The grand jury adjourned Monday afternoon, having submitted a report showing that during its session 107 witnesses were examined and 13 true bills returned. John Odum who killed C. M. Lollar in the Caledonia neighborhood several months ago was not indicted. It is generally understood that Mr. Odum killed Mr. Lollar in self defense, and members of the grand jury evidently believed that the evidence submitted to them was not sufficient to warrant indictment. Mr. Odum, who since the homicide has been in the county jail, was released as soon as the inquisitorial body adjourned.

During the past few days the time of the court has been taken up with cases of minor importance. In the case of the Southern Railway Company, which is suing the D. S. Pate Lumber Company to recover approximately \$500 alleged to be due as carrying charges on various shipments of lumber, W. C. Meek, attorney for plaintiff, filed a demurrer in which he sought to invoke the statute of limitations, but the demurrer was overruled and the case will be heard on its merits this morning. The Southern Railway is being represented by Messrs. Sturdivant, Owen and Garnett.

J. L. Simpson, a negro who some time ago forged the name of Mr. C. W. Jernigan to a check for \$110, and presented it to the Columbus National Bank for payment, was convicted and sentenced to serve three years and six months in the penitentiary. Before trial was entered in Mr. P. C. Barksdale, attorney for defendant, filed a motion to quash the indictment on the ground that Hon. B. A. Weaver, foreman of the grand jury, is president of the Columbus National Bank, and that Mr. Jernigan, whose name was forged to the check, was also a member of the inquisitorial body. Testimony showed, however, that neither gentleman was present when the indictment was found, and the motion was overruled.

A special venire of forty men has been ordered for the trial of Will Henderson, a negro, who shot Henderson Amos at Artesia Sunday, which will come up tomorrow.

DATES FOR THE SELECTION OF DELEGATES ARE FIXED

LOWNDES COUNTY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING.

The Lowndes County Democratic Executive Committee met at the court house Monday afternoon, and fixed Saturday, May 6 as the date for holding meetings in the various supervisors' districts for the purpose of selecting delegates to a county convention which will assemble in this city Monday, May 15 to select delegates to the state convention at Jackson, which in turn will select delegates to represent Mississippi at the coming National Democratic Convention in St. Louis.

The meeting was presided over by Chairman R. B. Hardy, and Hon. T. J. Locke, Jr., officiated at the secretary's desk.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Darnell, of Caledonia, were visitors to the city yesterday.

NEGRO PROBABLY IS FATALLY SHOT

MR. FRANK SIMPSON SERIOUSLY WOUNDS AT LUMBER CAMP.

SHOOTING FOLLOWS A NEGRO DISPUTE

Timber Man Made His Escape and Has Not Been Taken Into Custody.

"Bud" Grice, a negro laborer, was shot and probably fatally wounded by Mr. Frank Simpson, a timberman, in a difficulty which occurred at a lumber camp on the Ridge road, about three miles east of Columbus Tuesday afternoon. After the shooting Mr. Simpson made his escape, and has not yet been taken into custody.

The shooting was investigated by Constable J. T. Robertson, who was informed that a dispute between Grice and other negroes at the lumber camp precipitated the difficulty. It is understood that Grice spoke in a very crude and impudent manner to one of these negroes and Mr. Simpson told him that in berating one of the employes he was insulting him and that he would not stand for it. Grice is reported to have accepted the statement in a surly manner and the timberman, whetting out his revolver, sent a bullet into his body just below the heart.

Grice was brought to a local hospital and is in a precarious condition, slight hopes for his recovery being entertained.

Mr. F. R. Anselmet, of Jackson, representing the West Publishing Company, of St. Paul, Minnesota, was a visitor to the city Monday and Tuesday.

GERARD AND CHANCELLOR DISCUSS SUBMARINE ISSUE

SINCERE ENDEAVOR TO REACH DEFINITE UNDERSTANDING IN CONFERENCE.

Berlin, April 25.—Prior to his departure to headquarters to confer with Emperor William, the submarine issue and Germany's relations with the United States were again under discussion today, by Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg, the imperial chancellor, and James W. Gerard, the American ambassador. No definite decision in the premises apparently has yet been reached and one probably will not be arrived at until the chancellor reaches headquarters tomorrow afternoon. All the surface indications, however, point more and more to the probability of an arrangement regarding the Sussex and a modus vivendi on the submarine problem will be offered to the United States and a sincere endeavor to reach an understanding will be made from this date, putting the decision regarding the future status of relations up to Washington.

The public and the press continue to view the situation gravely, but calmly, and for the greater part with a desire that a way out of the controversy may be found.

Receives Painful Injuries.

Mr. Alonzo Beard, a well known citizen of Columbus, and proprietor of the M. and O. Cafe, was painfully injured last Monday afternoon, when an automobile in which he was riding turned over. He was thrown against the windshield, his face and body being badly bruised.

Mr. Beard was hurriedly brought to the city and given medical attention.

Negro Murderer in Jail.

Will Harroll, a negro who on Sunday killed another Ethiopian named Henderson Amos near Artesia, was arrested by Sheriff J. B. Williams, having been found at his home and having offered no resistance. Rivalry over the love of a negress is said to have caused the difficulty which resulted fatally for Amos.

The W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock with Mrs. Augusta Cox at her home 122 South Third street.

GREAT LITERARIST VISITS COLUMBUS

JULIAN STREET COMES TO CITY TO COLLECT MATERIAL FOR ARTICLE.

ALL APPEAR IN COLLIER'S SOON

Was Attracted Here by Fame of Columbus as an Important Historic Center.

Julian Street, the well known correspondent and magazine writer, was here from Monday night until yesterday for the purpose of collecting data for a series of articles on "American Adventures," which will soon appear in Collier's Weekly, and which will include a write-up of Columbus.

It is seldom that cities as small as this are included by Mr. Street in his stories of American life, but when in Atlanta recently he was told by Mr. John R. Ottley, president of the First National Bank in that city, that he would find a wealth of historical material in this city, and decided to come here and look over the field. He was more than satisfied with what he found, declaring that Columbus furnishes more material of the kind which he is seeking than the average city of 100,000 inhabitants.

Upon his arrival here Mr. Street was taken in hand by local newspaper men and was shown many places of interest, having inspected the historic home of the late Gen. Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, having viewed the old breastworks which protected Columbus during the civil war and having rode over a portion of the old Military road which was traversed by troops of Gen. Andrew Jackson on their famous march to New Orleans.

Mr. Street was lucky enough to witness an amateur presentation of Booth Tarkington's well known play, "The Man from Home," which was given by members of the Senior class at the Industrial Institute and College Monday night, and enjoyed the performance very much, as he knows Mr. Tarkington well, and was with him during a portion of the time that the drama was being constructed.

The writer was accompanied by Mr. Wallace Morgan, an artist, who made sketches of several of the places visited. The two gentlemen left Wednesday morning for Vicksburg, which is the next city included in their itinerary.

R. F. D. Club Entertained.

Mrs. Mattie Provell assisted by her sister, Miss Nettie Edmunds, delightfully entertained the R. F. D. Club at her country home, "Hedge View," on Thursday afternoon, of the past week.

The decorations were beautiful, consisting of spring flowers and exquisite roses, with very attractive and unique Easter decoration in the center of the dining table, which was greatly admired by all who were so fortunate as to assemble around this beautiful table, to partake of the delicious ices and cake at this hospitable home. Dainty Easter cards at each plate were pretty souvenirs of the occasion.

Notwithstanding the threatening storm, the ladies were soon busy with their fancy work, and chatting merrily, for it is a very congenial and enjoyable club, and those invited to meet with the club thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

Besides the club members were: Mrs. Junie Cunningham, of West Point, Mrs. James Wright, Mrs. L. B. Park, Mrs. Rash Bailey and Mrs. P. L. Berry.

Sunday School Convention.

The Columbus Baptist Sunday School Convention convened in Brooksville yesterday morning with a fairly large attendance. The meeting, which will remain in session through today, is being presided over by Mr. E. C. Halbert, and Mr. W. N. Puckett is acting as secretary.

Among those on the program are Rev. J. L. Viperman, pastor of the First Baptist church in this city, Rev. J. P. Harrington, field secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board, Rev. W. I. Allen, pastor of the Second Baptist church and Mrs. J. P. Harrington.

Mr. T. W. Lewis returned Monday evening from Memphis, where he spent several days with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis.