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MASONIC GRAND LODGE MET AT WINDSOR AUG. 17

In accordance with the Constitution the most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F. and A.M. of the Province of Ontario convened in N. America Lodge No. 11.

Election of officers were as follows: Samuel F. Lynne, M.W. Grand Master, St. John Lodge, Chatham, Ont.; W. A. Jones, R. W. Dept. Grand Master, of Sarnia Ont.; W. E. Mullin, Sr. Grand Warden, Eureka Lodge, Toronto; J. R. Robbins, J.W., North Star No. 7, Windsor, Ont.; G. N. Smith, Grand Treasurer, Windsor, Ont., North America; H. D. Banks, Grand Secretary, Amherstburg, Ont.; S. S. Scott, Grand Chaplain, Eureka Lodge Toronto, Ont.; John Sims, Windsor, Ont., Grand Lecturer; John A. Dorsey, Grand Historian, St. Luke's Lodge, St. Catharines; District Grand Masters: J. H. Beatty, Eastern Dist.; N. H. Judd, Chatham Middle Dist.; G. W. Smith, Western Dist.; Grand Trustees: D. J. Holbert, Amherstburg, Ont.; J. H. Jones, St. Catharines; D. Bissell, Chatham. The place of meetings in 1927 will be Windsor, Ont.

Langston Hughes Wins Witter Bynner Prize

The first prize for the best poem written by an undergraduate in an American University has just been awarded to Langston Hughes, for his poem, "The House in Taos," a poem written by Mr. Hughes subsequent to the publication of his volume of verse, "The Weary Blues." Last year Countee Cullen won the coveted award. The prize is given each year by Witter Bynner, the well known poet, and is one of the most important awards made in the United States. Entries are received from practically every college and university in the country, the number received usually exceeding three thousand.



Rev. A. McEwen Williams, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Toronto for 5 years, who is Moderator of the Amherstburg Association, which meets in Windsor on Sept. 2nd to 5th. Rev. Williams is one of the most energetic and versatile citizens of the city.

An Unsung Negro Hero

Recently there died in Cleveland, Ohio, "unhonored and unsung" a man named Joe Lucas. Many people, daily, saw Joe; but few knew his name or anything about him, and seemingly none cared to know.

He was a Negro and conducted a shoe shining stand in a large downtown store. He kept at his work, steadily, twenty-six years and never took a vacation. There is little romance in that fact. But Joe had a reason for not taking a rest. He had special use for the money he earned. Working with him were ten colored boys. All of them were attending high school, college or night school and Joe saw to it that their tuition was paid. He did not need the ten boys in his work, but the ten boys needed the money for their education, and so they were given work.

They represented only a small number of the colored boys who had received their education through Joe. For a quarter of a century he had been helping boys through school. Joe himself was educated and would have been fairly "well off" if his earnings had not been dispensed so prodigally. At one time Booker T. Washington tried to hire him as private secretary. But Joe felt that he would be more use to the colored people of Cleveland. So he spent his days shining shoes until he was carried to his grave a few weeks ago "unhonored and unsung."

—Our Colored Missions

Arkansas To Erect Memorial To War Heroes

By Pacific Coast News Bureau.

Little Rock, Ark., Aug.—A beautiful memorial building to commemorate the deeds of more than 400 colored heroes who gave their lives to their country during the World War, is to be the gift of Negro labor to the citizens of Little Rock.

The memorial which is being financed and built by the colored labor organizations of Arkansas will be erected in Fair Park the home of the Arkansas State Fair. The management will be vested jointly in the State Fair Board, the Department of Education and the Colored Teachers Association.

A Matter Of Race Pride

Last Saturday morning a chartered train of fourteen cars, pullman, diners and a ballroom, passed through the city en route to Buffalo, carrying the Chicago Shriners and their wives to Buffalo for the great international meet.

Heretofore the Shriners have always travelled over the C.N.R. But this time they travelled by way of the C.P.R. in protest against the removal of colored waiters from the C.N.R. diners. Hurrah and three cheers for the Chicago Shriners!!!

Colored Children Win Prizes

At the closing of the Daily Vacation Bible School at Owen Sound, on July 30th, among a large number of girls and boys ranging from 5 years to 16 years, our race was represented and also shared in the honors, when Irma Louise, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson was winner of the second prize in the Elementary Department.

The Needlecraft and Manual Training work were judged by competent judges.

COLORED WOMAN BECOMES WEALTHY SELLING FRUIT

(From Pacific Coast News Bureau)
Glendale, Calif., Aug.—The hundreds of wonderful roadside fruit markets that line the beautiful California paved highways, dispensing choice fruit to thousands of Eastern tourists daily, were originated in 1911 by a Colored maid employed at the Meeker ranch a familiar California land mark near Glendale that is now being torn down to make room for real estate expansion.

Becomes Wealthy.

This maid, Beatrice Jolly, a native of Kentucky, is now rated as wealthy, although in spite of her wealth and realty holdings she still remains in the service of the Meeker family with whom she has lived for 17 years.

Established First Market

One day in 1911 receiving permission from her mistress to sell the oranges left on the trees by the pickers, Miss Jolly filled several soap boxes with oranges and did a thriving afternoon's business on the lawn selling to whoever happened to pass by. With a cheerful disposition and a wonderful personality that attracted, Miss Jolly, with the aid of the son of the family and several small boys of the neighbourhood, built up a remarkable business. Encouraged at the success of his maid's efforts, Mr. Meeker was persuaded to finance the work on a larger scale with the result that additional orchards were bought up to assure an adequate supply for the increasing trade of this pioneer roadside market.

Race Detective Heads Division

By Pacific Coast News Bureau.

Los Angeles, Calif., August—Capt. W. W. Glenn, the only colored captain of detectives west of Chicago, has been placed in charge of the entire Newton division to succeed Asst. Capt. E. R. Cato (white) who was assigned to the Wiltshire district.