Masonic, Solomon Lodge No. 20 F. & A. M.—First Masonic organization in Jacksonville. Organized in 1848 under the authority of a dispensation granted by Joseph B. Lancaster, G. M. The charter was issued January 10, 1849, and the Lodge was installed (probably) by Judge Thomas Douglas. The first officers were James W. Bryant, W. M.; Philip Cox, S. W.; Charles W. Downing, J. W. At the close of the first year there were 17 members. The lodge is still active and the largest in the State.

Rotary Club of Jacksonville.—Organized February 13, 1912, with 13 charter members. The Club was installed by E. R. Murphy of the Chicago Rotary Club. The first officers were: George W. Clark, president; H. B. Minium and F. O. Miller, vice-presidents; Clifford A. Payne, secretary; Myron L. Howard, treasurer. The local club was the first in Florida and the second in the South, New Orleans having organized previously. The slogan of Rotary is “He profits most who serves best.”

St. Mary’s Home for Orphan Girls.—Founded and opened May 7, 1886, in a small building at the southeast corner of Ocean and Church Streets, with Sisters Mary Ann and Maria in charge. A new and larger brick Orphanage and Home was built on this site and dedicated February 25, 1891, by Bishop Moore of St. Augustine. At that time the Home was in charge of Sisters Mary Ann, Jane Francis, and Aveilhe, with 18 little orphan girls under their care. This building was burned in the fire of May 3, 1901.

Salvation Army.—The Salvation Army held its first street service in Jacksonville January 11, 1891, at the corner of Ocean and Bay Streets; Adjutant J. C. Smith was in charge. The first hall was on the north side of Forsyth Street between Ocean and Main. The Army’s slogan is, “A man may be down, but he is never out”—a fact that it has demonstrated times without number.

Seaman’s Institute.—Founded by Rev. Karl J. Frost May 1, 1915, and permanently established through the efforts of Mr. Frost and Bishop E. G. Weed July 27, 1915, when the Home at No. 423 East Bay Street was opened. The first president and chairmen of important committees were: Rev. W. A. Hobson, president; Rev. J. T. Boone, chairman of direc-