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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

- Presidential. For President—THEODORE ROOSEVELT, of New York. For Vice President—CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS, of Indiana. Congressional. For Representative in Congress, 11th Congress, Second District—ARCHIBALD B. DARRAGH, of State. For Governor—FRED M. WARREN, of Farmington. For Lieutenant Governor—ALEXANDER MATTIAND, of Noyanau. For State Treasurer—FRANK P. GLAZIER, of Chelsea. For Secretary of State—GEORGE A. PRINCE, of Tawas City. For Auditor General—DR. J. B. BRADLEY, of Eaton Rapids. For Attorney General—CHARLES A. BLAIR, of Jackson. For Superintendent of Public Instruction—E. H. KELLY, of Detroit. For Member of the State Board of Education—L. L. WRIGHT, of Ironwood. For Land Commissioner—W. H. ROSE, of Clinton. Senatorial. For Senator—T. A. ELY, of Alma. Representative. For Representative—J. W. HOLMES, of Anada. County. For Judge of Probate—ISAAC S. SEEVER, of Fulton. Sheriff—E. H. KILLE, of Ithaca. For Clerk—C. J. CHAMBERS, of New Haven. For Treasurer—FREDERICK SMITH, of Washington. For Register of Deeds—JULIUS W. STON, of St. Louis. For Prosecuting Attorney—M. R. SALTER, of Ithaca. Circuit Court Commissioners—ARBIT WILSON, of St. Louis. WALTER HARRIS, of Ithaca. For Surveyor—BANKER J. TRAKER, of Pine River. For Comptroller—JOHN H. HUNTER, of Elba. DR. L. A. HOWE, of Webster.

WORTHY OF SUPPORT.

The Republican party is worthy of support because: It has fulfilled every government obligation. It has made it possible for the United States to borrow money cheaper than any other nation on earth. It has always kept its platform pledges, and never attempted to gain power by false representations. It has never advocated a policy that would tarnish the good name of the country. It has kept inviolate and entire the honor of the flag. It has always stood for the protection of American industries. It has always opposed free trade. It has always been a debt-paying, not debt-creating party. It benefits all classes, laborer, farmer, producer, manufacturer, and every citizen that desires to make an honest living. It prefers to encourage the manufacture of new products in the United States rather than import them from abroad. It looks upon the whole world as its legitimate market. It recognizes no sectional lines, but benefits all parts of the country, North, South, East and West. It never did believe in a 50-cent dollar, and saved the country from that calamity. It does not believe in fomenting class hatred. It does not want American workmen to try to live on the low wages paid in Europe. It believes that free trade labor is not as well paid as protected labor. It does not believe in war, but when war must be fought it makes it short, sharp and decisive. It believes in subordinating partisanship to patriotism. It believes in the encouragement of American commerce. It believes that international treaties have the force of law. It is opposed to the alienation of any part of American territory. It never made an unfortunate investment in real estate. It believed in the annexation of Hawaii in spite of Democratic opposition. It believes in discussing real issues without creating fictitious ones.

GRANT STEEL is the new editor and publisher of the Breckenridge Clarion. Mr. Steel comes from Saranac and enters the journalistic field with The Record's best wishes for his success. Mr. Steel is a practical printer, and the first edition of his paper shows him to be something of a journalist as well.

THE St. Johns News celebrated their 15th anniversary last week by putting out a handsome 24 page edition, all illustrated with half tones, and a veritable encyclopedia of Clinton county. The edition reflects much credit on Editor Perry and was a good boom for Johns.

FOR over 40 years has a woman by the name of Catherine Coombs successfully posed as a man. She is 65 years old and probably one of the most unique characters in history. She was married when a young girl and at the death of her husband she vowed to give up the attire which distinguishes her sex, and was henceforth known as a man. During the 40 years she has been employed at many

kinds of masculine labor. She smokes a pipe, drinks beer and can swear in truly manly fashion. Her life has in many ways been a desolate one, and she has served time in several prisons, each time without being detected.

THE New Orleans Times-Democrat notes that in a single day Judge Parker made himself a commanding figure. Now what's wanted most is for his running mate to also make a commanding figure for the campaign fund.

DEATH UNEXPECTED.

Neuralgia of the Heart Caused Sudden Death of Miss Carrie Erwin.

The community was shocked Thursday morning on learning of the sudden death of Miss Carrie Erwin, one of Alma's esteemed young ladies. She was only sick three days and the end came Wednesday night at 11 o'clock, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Erwin, at the age of 22. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. at the Baptist church, conducted by the pastor Rev. H. S. Higgins.

During her short residence in Alma, she has made a host of friends by her affectionate disposition and accommodating ways, who with regret see her taken from their midst, and extend their sympathy to the bereaved family. Carrie Erwin was born in Ripon, Canada, where she lived until three years ago, when she moved with her parents to Alma, in October, 1900. Besides her parents she leaves a brother and his wife Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Erwin, of Alma, they being the only children.

DR. BROWNING LEAVES.

Severs His Connection with Alma Sanitarium.

Dr. and Mrs. Browning leave today for Sioux City, Iowa, where they will make their future home, and the doctor will take up a general practice. Dr. Browning came to Alma four years ago from the Chicago Hospital, as house physician of the Alma Sanitarium, and has been a valuable member of the medical staff. Their many warm friends join with the Record in wishing them prosperity and happiness in their new home.

GRATIOT COUNTY PIONEER.

Edward Joslin, of Lincoln, Neb., is visiting Mrs. E. A. Lyons and family this week, on his return from the National Soldiers' encampment at Boston. Mr. Joslin is a pioneer of Gratiot county, having come here in 1856, when this country was a wilderness. He afterwards went to Lincoln, where he has been for the past 23 years. Mr. Joslin, at the age of 16, enlisted in the United States sharpshooters and served with that regiment during the rebellion.

Churches and Societies

LAWN SOCIAL POSTPONED.

The lawn social which was to have been given this afternoon and evening by the ladies of the St. John's church, on the lawn of Mrs. S. Messinger, has been postponed until Tuesday of next week, Sept. 6. In connection with the affair is to be a sale of fancy goods, fine linens, etc., at the most reasonable prices. The entertainment, which will be given on an especially arranged stage on the lawn in the evening, will consist of music, living pictures, the great organ, humanism and others.

CHURCH AND SOCIETY NOTES.

Two hundred members of the Methodist Sunday school enjoyed a picnic at Fox's Grove last Friday. Subjects at the M. E. church Sunday as follows: morning, "God's Care for Everyone"; evening, "Unselfish Living." The subject of the morning sermon at the Presbyterian church will be, "Peter's Surrender." The evening service will be held at the usual hour. The Methodist excursion to Grand Rapids will leave Alma next Wednesday morning at 6:10, instead of 7 o'clock. Fare for round trip \$1.60. Everybody is invited. An ice cream social will be held on the lawn of the M. E. church Friday evening, Sept. 10. Admission 10 cents. If the weather is not favorable it will be held in the church parlors. Sunday morning subject at the Baptist church will be "Changing Religion and the Unchangeable Christ." The evening subject, "The Night Season of the Soul." You are invited. WEST ARCADE. Mr. Counter is making some repairs on his house. Mrs. P. M. Smith and Mrs. Jennie Ried spent Tuesday with Mrs. J. H. Allen. Miss Susie Edwards will teach the fall term in the Eckert district and will begin her labors Monday. The Sunday school in the Eckert district will re-open Sunday Sept. 4, and it is hoped a large number will be present.

Sixty Years of Popularity.

is the record of Parkier (Perry Davis) but the shops are full of imitations made to sell upon the great reputation of the genuine. Be cautious, therefore, when you ask for a bottle to see that you get the genuine. An unfailing remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis.

19th Annual Ohio Excursion.

The Ann Arbor R. R. will give its 19th Annual Ohio excursion Wednesday October 5th. Tickets will be sold to Toledo and points in Ohio on following railroads: Wheeling & Lake Erie, Wabash, Hocking Valley, Ohio Central, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, Detroit Southern, Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, Pennsylvania Co. and Toledo St. Louis & Western. Information concerning rates and time of special trains will be announced later.

Additional Local News

Joseph Myers was in Edmore Tuesday for the day.

C. H. LaFlamby was in Carson City a few days this week.

Alma was well represented at the county fair at Ithaca Thursday.

L. C. Heyboer returned Tuesday from his two weeks' vacation.

R. P. Lee went to Grand Rapids, Tuesday, for the day on business.

Miss Hilda Daves spent a few days in Alma visiting Miss Iva Frank.

F. E. Pollasky went to Ann Arbor, Thursday, for the day on business.

Mrs. St. Johns entertained Monday in honor of Miss Frewer, of Saginaw.

Mrs. Wm. Pierce went to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday to visit relatives for the week.

J. W. Holmes and daughter, Bessie, were in Ithaca Wednesday for the day.

Miss Florence Church is passing a few days in Ithaca this week visiting friends.

Jas. McNamara and son Raymond visited the county fair in Ithaca, Thursday.

Ross Henry, of St. Louis, has accepted a position as pharmacist with George K. Sharrar.

Jas. Allen and family, who went to Colorado in search of health, has returned to Alma.

Mrs. C. E. Chittenden, of Ashley, visited at the home of Mrs. Mary Wynne over Sunday.

J. H. Bailey and wife left Tuesday for Breckenridge, where they will make their future home.

Geo. Bahike, Sr., left for Traverse City Wednesday, to visit his daughter for ten days.

C. S. Brock, of London, Ont., is visiting for a week at the home of his brother, A. W. Brock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fuller are passing a few days in Ithaca this week attending the county fair.

Miss Lillian McCarthy, of Grand Rapids, is visiting at the home of her uncle, J. C. Bright, this week.

The annual meeting of the O. E. S. will be held this evening. All members are requested to be present.

Miss Abbie Anderson, of Fremont, returned to her home Tuesday, after a week's visit with relatives.

Mrs. A. I. Butterfield left Wednesday for Pelotony, where she will visit her brother for about ten days.

Jas. Parker left for Thumb Lake, Emmet county, Wednesday, where he will enjoy a three weeks' outing.

Arthur Downing left Wednesday for Harbor Springs, where he will visit his parents for a week or ten days.

Allen Berge returned home Wednesday after visiting at the home of his parents in Caledonia for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Glass, returned Saturday from their two weeks' trip to Niagara Falls and Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Mary Pringle left Wednesday for Boyne City, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. W. A. Hyslop, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Pollasky, of Buffalo, N. Y., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Messenger a few days this week.

Mrs. L. Smith, of Ithaca, returned to her home Monday, after a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Bivins, in Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fohlinger, formerly of Grand Rapids, arrived in Alma the fore part of the week and will make their future home here.

Mrs. J. W. Dean and daughter, Josephine, returned Monday, after a two weeks' visit with relatives at Trenton, Detroit and Owosso.

Miss Harriett Baker, who has been with Mrs. Bivins for the past year, has taken a position with Mrs. Wilson, in Detroit, and left for that city the first of the week.

Mrs. Etta Heskett, of Los Angeles, California, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Baker for the past few months, returned to her home Tuesday.

H. J. Vermeulen left Thursday for Lansing and Grand Rapids on a short business trip, returning Saturday. Mr. Vermeulen left Monday will leave Alma for Chicago and Mullin.

Miss Elizabeth Borland arrived from Cleveland yesterday and will trim for Mrs. Bivins again this season. Miss Borland needs no introduction to the ladies of Alma, as all are familiar with her excellent taste and pleasing accommodation. Mrs. Bivins appreciates the necessity of the best in everything.

Frank Manning, of Elba, and Chas. Gilbert, of Washington townships, were caught sealing fish on Maple river, by Game Warden Chas. Essick, and were brought before a justice in Ithaca, who fined them each \$7.50 and costs. They had in their possession one trammel net and a quantity of fish.

Miss Hooper gave an afternoon reception Tuesday in honor of Miss Jefferson and Miss Blair, and in the evening Mrs. Dr. Wm. Kelly gave a luncheon in their honor. Miss Blair leaves for Ovid, Saturday, where she has accepted a position as teacher of English and Latin in the Ovid high school.

R. N. Chadwick has traded his residence for the fine 80 acre farm of Truman Richmond, five miles straight west from Alma. Mr. Richmond will take possession of his new home January 1st, but Mr. Chadwick will live there, retaining living rooms until more definitely settled as to what he will do in the future. Farmer Chadwick—that will sound good.

W. H. Worswick returned Tuesday from his two weeks' business trip to Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, and other eastern cities, and is delighted with the enthusiastic praise bestowed on his asphalt-mastic in the east. Mr. Worswick says he stands ready to pave two blocks on Superior street at his original price, if done this fall. This is an opportunity the citizens should not allow to pass, as they may not get another as favorable as this.

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A. W. WRIGHT RETURNS.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright and Party Back from Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright, Miss Elizabeth Case and John Marchmont returned Tuesday from their western trip of about three weeks. They were much interested in their visit to Vancouver, B. C., which sixteen years ago was only a small village, but today is a city of 30,000 people with all the metropolitan improvements, and where is located a naval port with dry docks capable of accommodating the largest British battleships. Another place of interest which they visited was the Canadian National Park, which is surpassed only by the Yellowstone, Seattle and other western cities were also visited on their return, and the entire party enjoyed the best of health and a pleasant trip. They traveled about 7,000 miles.

NEW INSURANCE ORDER.

Equitable Fraternal Union Organized in Alma.

The latest addition to the list of fraternal insurance societies to organize in Alma is the Equitable Fraternal Union, of Neenah, Wis. Alma Assembly, 325, of this order was organized in this city, Thursday evening, August 25th, with 19 charter members.

The work of promoting the organization here has been done by State Deputy F. H. Wolcott, who has his headquarters here in Alma.

There is every indication that the Alma assembly will have a substantial increase in membership within a few weeks, as there are a number who have practically decided to join within a short time, but were unable to be present at the first meetings.

For this reason the charter of the local assembly will remain open for a short time to allow those who are thinking of becoming members to get in at the charter rate. This is a decidedly reasonable proposition, the expense being \$3, and one advance assessment.

This order which was organized under the stringent laws of Wisconsin, has recently been admitted to do business in Michigan. The contract presented by this order is an attractive one, decidedly business like and equitable, being much the same as those of the old line insurance companies.

The age limit is from 18 to 43, and the scale of assessments per thousand dollars of insurance ranges from 70 cents to \$1.20 according to age at time of joining the order. The order has been organized seven years and has levied 33 assessments. The laws of the order provide that not more than twelve assessments shall be levied within a year.

Should the sum received from twelve assessments be less than the assessment required to pay the death losses in that year the balance will be paid from the reserve fund, which is large and constantly growing.

On August 18th the benefit fund was \$30,245.63, the reserve fund was \$123,342.80. This fund is invested in first-class real estate securities, and each member becomes a part owner of the fund.

Any person who will carefully investigate the Equitable Fraternal Union cannot help being convinced that its contract is one of the most reasonable and businesslike of any fraternal insurance society in existence.

The officers elected at the meeting Thursday evening are Otis White, president; G. A. Kelling, vice president; Eli L. Brown, secretary; S. H. Epler, treasurer; Chas. Vine, advisor; Claid M. McCluer, watchman; Yatto Wood, past president. Trustees: C. A. Humphrey, one year; Wm. Kipp, two years; E. T. Lamb, three years.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Grand Rapids Sunday, September 11th, Rate \$1.35.

Train will leave Alma at 9:40 a. m. See posters, or ask agents for particulars. H. P. MOELLER, G. P. A.

Labor Day Rates. The Pere Marquette will sell excursion tickets from all stations, to points within fifty miles on Monday, Sept. 27th, at low rates. Ask agents for particulars.

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PROBATE ORDER OF HEARING—State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss:—At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Gratiot, holden at the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, on Monday, the 29th day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred four, I, Isaac S. Seever, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mable Beach, Fossil Bell and Lulu Mae Kneller, minors. On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Hester Keefer, guardian of said minors, praying that she may be licensed to mortgage the real estate of said minors for the purpose of paying debts.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Saturday, the 24th day of September, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the next of kin and heirs at law of said minors and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, and present themselves and their claims, and that the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Gratiot for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

ISAAC S. SEEVER, Judge of Probate. [RECAL] 9-2-04

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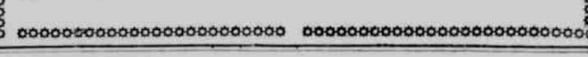
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H. D. Armstrong, T. P. A., 88 Griswold St., Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE, RENT EXCHANGE, ETC.

WANTED—I want 100 men and teams to work on the Summer & Seattle drain, address S. H. ARBOLD, Ithaca, Mich. 8-29-04

WANTED—Good girl for chamber work in private home. Apply Mrs. J. H. LAYTON, Ithaca, Mich. 8-29-04

1904—Lady's long rain coat, size 36, for \$1.00. Express and best quality of fabric. See ad in this issue. 9th floor, 9th floor, 9th floor, at Hotel office and get away. 8-29-04

SHERIFF SALE—Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of the circuit court of the county of Gratiot, in favor of Stephen W. T. Baker and Ward Lambson, co-plaintiffs, against the heirs and assigns of Tinker & Hainan, against the goods and chattels and real estate of William F. King, in said county, to me directed and delivered, I did on the thirtieth day of September, A. D. 1904, levy upon and take all the right, title and interest of the said William F. King in and to the following described real estate, that to-wit: Beginning at a post two (2) rods north and forty-four (44) rods, five and one-half (5 1/2) feet east of the quarter (1/4) post on the north side of section thirty (30), town twelve (12) north of range one (1) west, Gratiot county, Michigan, thence south ten (10) rods, east twenty-seven and one-half (27 1/2) feet, north ten (10) rods, east twenty-seven and one-half (27 1/2) feet, to place of beginning.

All of which I shall expose for sale at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house, in the Village of Ithaca, in said county, on Monday the twenty-sixth day of September, A. D. 1904, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated, Alma, August 23rd, A. D. 1904. JOHN D. SPINNEY, NELSON J. MCCULLOUGH, Attys. Alma, Mich. 8-29-04