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Call Declined.

Rev. W. F. Jerome, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, Hillsdale, has declined the call recently extended him by the Episcopal church in this city, much to the regret of the vestry.

More Room Needed.

The American Farm Products Co. is having an addition built to its plant near the Ann Arbor Railroad track. It will be 32 long and as high and wide as the present buildings. The work is a rush job and it will be completed tomorrow.

Anti-Saloon Campaign.

Plans for the conducting of a local option campaign in Shiawassee county will be discussed at a meeting called by the Anti-Saloon League to be held at the Casino in McCurdy park July 9 at 10 o'clock. All W. C. T. U., farmer's clubs and church and civic organizations are requested to be present.

Liquor Dealers Arrested.

Charles Preece, N. F. Hauck and Carl Smith were arrested Monday for violations of the liquor law, the complaints being made by Sheriff Watson for selling liquor on Sunday. All were arraigned before Justice Peacock of Corunna and will have examinations July 7. They were released on bail bonds of \$300 each, M. Rourke, L. Mueller and J. F. Wildermuth being the bondsmen.

Washington—Oliver Street Paving.

The council at its meeting Monday evening did the last of the preliminary work for the Washington—Oliver street paving and the matter of pushing the work along now rests with the Board of Public Works. Bids are to be received up to Monday, July 12th. The plans call for brick pavement and the work is to be completed by October 12th, this year. It is hoped a number of bids will be received.

Michigan People in Oregon.

So many Michigan people have in recent years settled in or near Eugene, Oregon, that over one hundred fifty of them responded to a call signed by E. M. Johnson and R. C. Shepard, both formerly of Owosso, for a meeting to organize a Michigan society. The Eugene Register speaks of the gathering as a success in every way and the perfection of an organization with Mr. Johnson as president and Mr. Shepard as secretary. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Shepard being members of the executive committee.

Want Pay for Services.

John Dudeck for his wife wants \$730 and George O. Shattuck \$734 for services for taking care of the persons or business of the late Michael Reidy and Emma Reidy. The balance of the estate left by them goes to the State of Michigan because there were no known heirs, after the claims against the estate are adjusted. The value of the property left is about \$6,000. The commissioners appointed to adjust the claims are W. M. Kilpatrick, R. Colby and A. W. Green. J. H. Collins and A. E. Richards represent the Dudecks.

Boy Burglars Caught.

Policemen Brown and Denyes arrested Arthur Brown aged 13; David Ruddle, 13; Leon Cole, 11, and Jay Cole, 9, Saturday night charged with breaking into and stealing from Carr's meat market, Benkelman & Mulhall's office, Wright's feed store, Barrett's elevator, and other places. Other boys are said to have hand in stealing at various places.

Wright's hay barn was entered Saturday night and Officer Denyes remembered seeing a boy sitting on the steps in the evening. He found out later that it was Jay Cole and suspecting Arthur Brown he was taken into custody and in a short time all the others were arrested, the stories told implicating all of them and others.

The council has ordered gas, water and sewer connection for all lots on Oliver within the district to be paved.

City Engineer Resigns.

Eugene Brewer resigned his position, Monday, as city engineer and will become a contractor, having gone to Ohio to build five miles of road as the first undertaking. He is associated in this contract with Andrew Geeck and H. P. Wolaver. His resignation is regretted, especially if the Oliver and Washington street pavement is to be constructed this year, although all wish him well in his new undertaking.

Sad Death.

Mrs. B. L. Brigham died Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. McKerrig, East Oliver street, after a short illness. She was 27 years of age and had been married but four months. With her husband she came from their home in Flint, Thursday, to attend the McKerrig-Laveck wedding, not being well at the time she left home and the overtaxing of her strength made her seriously ill soon after the ceremony, and Sunday, the doctors gave up all hope for her recovery. The funeral was held in Saginaw, Wednesday.

Death of William Downey.

Wm. Downey, a resident of Owosso for nearly seven years, died at his home on Randolph street, Sunday, after being in poor health for a long time. The infirmities of age together with Bright's disease and some heart trouble, caused his death. Mr. Downey was born in Ireland, December 22nd, 1837, coming with his parents to Canada at an early age, and to Michigan in 1864. In 1876 he located in Rush township and made his home there on a farm up to a few years ago when he removed to this city. Mr. Downey was a good citizen and commanded the respect of many acquaintances. Mr. Downey was twice married, his first wife dying a number of years ago. He is survived by his wife, three sons and one daughter, Fred and Alfred Downey of Rush, George Downey and Mrs. Gertrude Kohlmeier of Cando, North Dakota. Funeral services were held from the home and the M. E. church, Henderson, Tuesday afternoon.

Nominated for Annapolis Naval Academy.

Congressman Fordney has nominated J. Henry Sprague, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Sprague, for the cadetship examination at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. This appointment was tendered Henry a year ago and declined. Mr. Fordney soon after nominated a principal and three alternates for the examination which took place in April last. At that time the principal failed to appear and none of the alternates were notified in time and later on each one declined to accept for the June examination because of lack of time to prepare for the rigid entrance examination. At the last moment the appointment was again offered to Mr. Sprague and he accepted, the papers going through the red tape process too slowly to reach him in time for the June examination, thus leaving a vacancy until next year, which under the law the Secretary of the navy might have filled by naming a cadet from any part of the country. It is believed Mr. Sprague will be able to successfully pass the entrance examination, as he has maintained a very high standing in his studies in the high school and with ample time to prepare he will undoubtedly give a good account of himself. Henry is to be congratulated on his good fortune and Cong. Fordney on his selection.

Miss Mary Marden left Wednesday for Cleveland, Ohio, after a visit at Mrs. E. D. Perkins' in this city. She will also visit in Chautauque, New York, before returning to her school work in Thomasville, Ga.

Mrs. John Reid and daughter of Cheboygan visited Miss Eliza Thomas and at A. T. Thomas' part of the week. They were on their way home from Ann Arbor where they visited Leonard Reed, one of the class of 1909 of the U. of M.

EMINENT CATHOLICS

Have Inaugurated War to Exterminate the Saloon

The Chicago Tribune the first of the week said: Clergy and laymen of the Catholic church, as typified in the convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence union of Illinois, held in Chicago yesterday in preparation for the great national convention of total abstinence Catholics to be held here, August 4, 5, and 6th, have flung their shoulders to the wheel to crush out the saloon in America. Archbishop Quigley champions the movement and Bishop Muldoon is a sympathizer and aide.

"In thundering resolutions and in oratory which, for unequivocal condemnation of the liquor business probably transcended anything ever before put forward in a similar Catholic gathering of equal magnitude, the liquor trade and the persons engaged in it were scored without mercy. The saloon business was declared a scandal which had endured too long and now must be crushed for the safety of the children of the church.

Catholic clergymen of note in Chicago rose to their feet to announce their intention of setting forth on the highways and byways of the nation to spread the total abstinence movement on behalf of the church. These included Frs. D. J. Crimmins, W. J. McNamee, J. J. O'Callaghan and others.

"The whole weight of condemnation of the convention as a body fell upon societies within the church which permit Saturday night dances and Sunday picnics under their auspices at which intoxicating liquors are sold."

Well Arranged Business Place.

Work on the building which Carl C. Wright is erecting on South Ball street has progressed to a point where it is expected it can be occupied next week. The building is a three-cornered two story brick, with basement, 86 feet frontage on Ball, 120 on Water and 86 between Ball and Water on the north side next to the alley, giving a floor space of 12,000 feet. The office is to be at the south of the building, with the scales on the three-cornered piece of land between Ball and Water streets. North of the office is the retail department, a room 22x45 feet, with a store front. The front of the north side of the building will be used for a mill room, being 36 feet square; to the rear of this is a storage room for hay and straw, both rooms having doors on the alley; the receiving bins for grain are also located on this side of the building, while the storage bins are on the second floor over the mill room. The greater part of the machinery will be located in the basement which is fairly well lighted and has a cement floor. The balance of the basement and the large room on the second floor will be used for storage purposes, giving Mr. Wright an opportunity to carry a larger stock of goods in his line than ever before and the added advantage of having the same all under one roof. A freight elevator will run from the basement to the second floor, making it easy to handle the flour, various kinds of feed, hay, straw, etc. It will require nearly a month's time to complete all the work on the building, place the machinery, the steam heating plant and get it ready for use. When this is all done Mr. Wright will have a very well arranged business place, conveniently located and easily accessible for farmers coming to the city from any direction with loads of produce. He will be pleased to have you call and inspect the building when it is completed.

The Owosso Savings Bank declared a semi-annual dividend of four per cent June 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Royce and daughter, Erma, of Chicago, are visiting his brothers, L. P. Royce of this city and J. D. Royce of Corunna. Mr. Royce is the superintendent of the Solvay Gas and Coke Co., South Chicago, and has over 3,000 men under him.

Osborn Refuses to State Position at Present

The gubernatorial sphinx is still sphinxing.

Here is what Chase S. Osborn said to the Grand Rapids Herald in answer to a pointblank query as to his campaign intentions:

"In my judgment the time is not ripe for any announcement from me. When that time comes I shall make my position in the matter clear."

Does this mean that Osborn will or will not be a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor? Make your own guess. Up here in the Soo, where Osborn is the biggest noise for miles and miles and miles around, they say it means "Yes." But the most you can get out of the ubiquitous, urbane Chase is a promise that some time prior to the Ides of March he will have something to say on this interest-consuming topic.

Although "the time is not ripe" for Mr. Osborn, it has ripened for Lieutenant Governor Kelley, Amos S. Musselman and Judge Montgomery. Each of this trio has practically announced an intention of being in the race for the Republican nomination to the finish. Up here in the Soo you hear nothing but kind words for all of them. They like Kelley because—well, everybody likes Pat. They like Musselman because he is a clean, progressive business man with no taints and no flaws. They like Judge Montgomery because he has been a magnificent adornment to the state's supreme bench. In fact, they insist that his attainments for the bench are far superior in legal directions, as Osborn's attainments for the governorship are superior in executive directions.

"Osborn's greatest strength," says a close Osborn boomer—and note that he talks as though he took it for granted that the Soo man was just as much of a candidate as "the timewere not ripe"—"lies in the upper peninsula which is unanimous, the northern section of the lower peninsula, the Saginaw valley and in Wayne county, where he has many active and potential friends. His friends have expected western and central Michigan to supply the opposing candidates and in this they have not been disappointed. Kent county, the dominant factor in western Michigan, is not only embarrassed with twin gubernatorial candidates—if Judge Montgomery be accredited to Kent—but her leaders are further perplexed by the certainty of Huntley Russell being a candidate to either succeed himself in the land commissionership or for Dieken's seat in congress, by the probability that Colin Campbell will be a candidate to succeed himself as speaker, by the fact that Roger I. Wykes is fence building along the road which he hopes will end in the attorney generalship, and by the expected candidacy of Mayor Ellis for congress. So we are satisfied with the outlook for Mr. Osborn in a state-wide canvass."

There you are—the most that can be wormed out of politicians at the Soo. Mr. Musselman has hosts of admirers here who would be for the Grand Rapids man if Osborn were out of the way. Judge Montgomery is generally admitted to be a man of exceptional superiority. Kelley is loved, too. But there will be nothing doing in the construction of gubernatorial fences for anybody else up here in the Soo until "the time is ripe" and Mr. Osborn "makes his position in the matter clear."

The Lansing Republican assuredly owes an apology to the Estey Manufacturing Co. for giving place in its columns to a statement that the company had gone out of business, having been sold to Chas. E. Rigley and O. B. Estey who "promise that within two years they will have it running." The plant of this company is running every day and there is no intention of going out of business—on the contrary plans are already under way to push the business harder than ever.

Local News.

Geo. E. Pardee was in Ithaca on business, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lewis have gone to Bay View for the summer.

Miss May Butterfield left for Beulah Thursday, to spend a month.

Miss Mary Wilbur spent Sunday in St. Johns with her brother, Glenn.

Dr. F. S. Fritz was called to Caro, Wednesday by the illness of his mother.

Allan and Robert Goodall, residing near Vernon, have 115 acres planted to beans.

The Connor Ice Cream Co. made its first butter at the plant on Ball street, Thursday.

Monday being a legal holiday the rural carriers will not make their usual delivery.

Rev. C. H. Hanks will return tomorrow from a brief visit with his parents at Norwich, Ohio.

Mrs. Cora Swarthout of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. F. Millspeugh, South Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gould leave tomorrow for their home in Colorado after a visit at E. A. Gould's.

Mrs. Geo. M. Dewey, and son Thomas, left this morning for London, Ont., for a visit of two weeks with relatives.

Superintendent and Mrs. Clark Shipman of Lapeer, are visiting at the home of County Treasurer Shipman in Corunna.

Miss Grace Ferrigo is in Detroit for a visit and will spend sometime in Pontiac and other cities before returning home.

Mrs. George M. Edwards has packed and shipped her household goods and joined her husband who has been in Flint several months.

L. D. Cross, for many years a well known and highly respected citizen of Ovid, died at his home on Saturday, aged nearly 77 years.

Mrs. May Galbraith and Mrs. Hayes Ferrigo of this city, and Miss Pearl Shores of Colorado, left for Mackinaw City, Tuesday for an outing.

Mrs. S. W. Boswick left for her home in Waverly, N. Y., Thursday, after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Tubbs, and son Percy Boswick.

Arthur K. Milster, who has been assisting J. M. Beckwith in the Western Union offices, left for Cheboygan, Monday, to become ticket agent for the M. C. R. R.

Amos Parmenter is growing seventeen acres of tomatoes for the Owosso Canning Co. He had a fine crop last year and the returns were highly satisfactory.

Mrs. C. McDonald has moved from Grand Rapids to Owosso and will reside on Ball street. Her son, John J. and daughter, of the Connor Ice Cream Co. will live with her.

Saginaw merchants are to visit Owosso, Sept. 20th to meet the merchants of the city. As they are to be here for an hour it may be possible for them to meet the business men of the west side.

August Birk was in Ann Arbor the first of the week consulting the officers of the Gas Light Co. concerning the laying of gas mains both on east and west Oliver preparatory to paving.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Eveleth of Kentucky, are visiting relatives in Corunna and will remain until Mr. Eveleth has recovered from the shot wound received four weeks ago when an angry loafing railroad workman shot him twice.

Mrs. Belle Palen of Pontiac, and William Samper have waived examination on the charge of adultery and been bound over by Justice Patchell at Durand for trial in the circuit court, being ready it is said to plead guilty and begin sentences and the woman it is said will refuse to return to her husband and one year old child whom she has abandoned.

See Davis Dry Goods Co., ad on page 4. Bargains for the next few days are plentiful.

Chief of Police Hodges' horse became frightened at an automobile on W. Main street Wednesday and shying near the track took a wheel off the buggy, letting the chief and constable Van Eppe down suddenly. That auto man better run slow for the next few days.

M. S. Van Sickle of Houghton, formerly of Owosso, was found dead on Isle Royale in Lake Superior last week. VanSickle had evidently fallen into the lake while fishing and could not reach shore. His wife, parents and other relatives live in Detroit. He was a barber and billiard room proprietor.

James Delaney was attacked by a big Herford bull at his farm northwest of Owosso, Tuesday evening and terribly injured by being knocked down. The bull came up behind him and gave no chance for escape from this attack. Mr. Delaney's condition is serious, but his recovery is hoped for.

W. H. Wallace of Saginaw, is a guest of Rev. G. W. Jennings. The gentlemen were boyhood chums and have always been very warm friends. Mr. Wallace is general manager for several of the beet sugar factories in the state, is a member of the State Board of Agriculture and is a most genial gentleman.

Reuben Sawtells died at his home in Morrice, Friday, aged 76 years. For over 60 years he had resided in the vicinity, most of the time on a farm. He is survived by his wife, one son, Willis Sawtells, and a daughter, Mrs. Henry Kellogg. Funeral services were held Monday under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, Rev. Benson officiating.

Control of Estey Manufacturing Co. Secured by C. E. Rigley.

Owosso citizens were highly pleased to learn on Tuesday that the interests of eastern stockholders in the Estey Manufacturing Co. had been purchased by Charles E. Rigley, who, with O. B. Estey of this city, are now in control of the plant and business. This means much to Owosso as the future of the business is now assured—a point which has been in doubt ever since the destruction of factory A by fire three years ago. At that time the eastern stockholders announced that they did not wish to invest money to rebuild and from that time on Mr. Rigley has been negotiating for the purchase of all stock held by people residing out of the city. The charter of the Company expired a few months ago, making it necessary to close up the business in some manner within a definite period and this has been done by the sale of the stock, which will permit the company to be re-incorporated and the business carried on as in the past. Those who know the gentlemen in control realize that neither of them will be satisfied to conduct the business in the present plant, nor to move along without increasing the output by the addition of new lines and the making of a line fully the equal of that turned out previously to the fire. This can only mean larger buildings, employment for more men and added growth and prosperity for Owosso.

Both the Messrs. Rigley and Estey and the citizens of Owosso are to be congratulated on the new conditions.



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