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Lieutenant in the Medical Corps.

Gov. Osborn has appointed Dr. Harold A. Hume of this city, a first lieutenant in the medical corps of the Michigan National Guard, to be assigned to the third regiment and go to camp with the state troops in August.

Lost Registered Mail.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has amended the postal regulations so as to provide a maximum of \$25 indemnity to owners of lost registered mail of the third and fourth classes beginning July 1. Indemnity now is allowed only on registered first-class matter, except that on international registered mails \$10 is allowed on all classes.

Death of George L. Wright.

George L. Wright, aged 88 years, died Saturday afternoon at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Rhoda Wright, Comstock street. Death was due to old age. The deceased was born in Ireland and before locating in Owosso township many years ago, was a resident of Canada. For several years he lived in Easton Rapids and there funeral services were held Monday afternoon under Masonic auspices. He is survived by one brother, Arthur Wright of Fenton, and a sister, Mrs. Griselda Russell of this city.

Lansing Votes Against Commission Government.

By the decisive vote of 2391 to 1214 the anti-commission government charter nominees were elected in Lansing, the "antis" carrying every precinct in the city. The issue was squarely drawn, two tickets one for and one against the commission plan being in the field and the campaign was warmly contested, each side putting forth a long platform and holding many meetings. The commission to revise the Grand Rapids charter has also decided not to incorporate the commission plan.

Rev. C. M. Keene to Retire.

On Sunday next Rev. C. M. Keene will close a pastorate of five years with the Church of Christ in this city, retiring for a long rest on account of ill health. He hopes to be able to undertake evangelistic work in the winter. During his ministry with the church its well-appointed house of worship has been built, the membership of the church largely increased and a great amount of good has been accomplished. It is hoped that he will soon regain his health and be able to continue actively in the work in which he is so successful. The church will soon extend a call to someone to take his place.

JUDGMENT FOR \$800.

But Laingsburg Man Doesn't Get Molly S. Back.

Charlotte, June 19.—In the suit of Ben Shaver of Laingsburg, Shiawassee county, against Herbert Pollock of this city, which was held at St. Johns Thursday, Mr. Shaver was awarded \$800 damages as the result of a recent horse trade whereby Mr. Shaver relinquished the ownership of Molly S., the famous racing mare, to Mr. Pollock. Mr. Shaver alleged that he could not sleep for being lonesome for Molly S., and alleged that Mr. Pollock had misrepresented the horse he traded for Molly S. The jury did not return Molly S., to her first master, but did award him \$800 to soothe his lonesome feelings with. The case will probably be appealed to the supreme court.

DEADLY THIRD RAIL.

Mason Farmer Loses Valuable Horse on M. U. R.

Mason, June 17.—Frank Steyens, a farmer living just north of the city at Springer crossing had a valuable four-year-old colt get out of the barn last night and wander onto the M. U. R. tracks. George Rice, who lives near there, heard a noise at an early hour and saw some animal at the crossing, and later regretted that he did not put it in his barn, as soon after 5 a. m. Mr. Stevens found the horse lying on the tracks with its legs and flanks very badly burned. The animal was alive but unable to walk, and in all probability has suffered permanent injury. It was one of a span, and Mr. Stevens had just been offered \$200 for it.

The above is another timely warning to residents along the line of the electric road running into this city from Lansing. While the officials of the road are taking the usual precautions by fencing their right of way and putting in cattle guards at street crossings through the country, also putting up signs warning people of danger, their is still grave danger of fatal accidents to children unless they are made to understand that to touch the third rail means death. Keep off of the right of way entirely.

Don't Pay Coal Bills.

Lansing's thirteen coal dealers have organized a clearance house through which old bills must be settled or no more coal will be delivered the delinquents. Many who buy autos, it is claimed, owe bills from two to six months old.

Deposits Steadily Increasing.

The number of depositors in the postal savings department at the local post office reached twenty on Saturday last with a total amount to their credit of \$1816. This sum is in excess of the amount on deposit at the end of four months in the first office established in fourteen states, which makes a good showing for Owosso. A strange feature of the deposits is that not a single stamp card or savings stamp has been sold. These cards sell for ten cents and each has printed thereon one ten cent stamp, when nine more of these savings stamps are placed on the card it is received in exchange for a dollar certificate and an account is then opened with the holder.

LINE TO OPEN IN JULY.

Lansing & Northeastern Railway is Nearly Completed.

Barriog any further sinking of the track into the bad hole near Haelett, the Lansing & Northeastern railway from Lansing to Owosso will be in operation soon after July 1, said T. W. Atwood, president of the Northern Construction Co. Tuesday. The first car will be run over the line on that day, the builder believes, but a permanent schedule will not be adopted until later. A steam shovel to be used in ballasting the Pine Lake division of the line, so that it will be steady enough for the heavier cars, is on the way and will be put into use this week. A curve near East Lansing is to be straightened and other changes made so that the new road may be put into operation.—Lansing Journal.

Shaft—Colby.

The marriage of Miss Ethel May Colby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Colby, to Mr. Roy C. Shaft, was celebrated Thursday at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents in Shafteburg, Rev. M. G. Powley of the Congregational church performing the ceremony which was witnessed by about 75 guests, among them being Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Burkart of Perry, Mrs. Emma Gould of Durand, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shaft, Mrs. Ella Holcomb and Mrs. Amy Van DeWalker, son and daughter of Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Chambers and daughter of Romeo.

The bridal party were attended by Florence E. Burkart and Homer A. Nixon of Lansing. After the ceremony a dainty wedding luncheon was served in the dining room. The house was beautifully decorated with a profusion of roses and ferns, and many beautiful presents, including silver and cut glass, were received by the bride. Miss Colby has been a successful teacher and was very popular in church circles. Mr. Shaft is engaged with the Michigan Commercial Insurance Co. of Lansing, and the future home of the couple will be in that city.

SHALL THE STANDARD PURE FOOD CO. BE RETAINED
Is the Question That Must be Settled Within a Week—Owosso Cannot Afford to Lose the Plant.

Owosso citizens have in the past been generous in giving aid to secure the location in the city of manufacturing plants and in the main the money has been well expended. The growth and prosperity of Owosso depends very largely upon the employment of labor in its manufacturing institutions and the city cannot afford to lose one of these concerns. It would be almost impossible to find an individual in the city who does not wish to have the plant of the Standard Pure Food Co. rebuilt, and yet the committee from the Owosso Improvement Association having in hand the work of securing the requisite number of signers to the \$10,000 guarantee fund is finding it difficult to obtain the same and now other cities are offering inducements to the company. It would seem as though no one should hesitate a moment to sign this guarantee, not a cent of money is called for at present and probably never will be—the use of the man's name protected by security which at a conservative estimate would be valued at \$16,000, all that is asked for. If you are really interested in Owosso sign the guarantee paper without delay. The matter must be settled before the 29th of this month or the plant will be lost. Sign and sign now.

L. W. Barnes of Byron, was in the city Thursday.

Ann Arbor Train Service.

The new train and motor schedule of the Ann Arbor Railroad has just been issued and gives the most complete service ever offered on the line. Trains run as follows:

North bound passenger trains—6:30, 11:10 a. m.; 7:10 p. m.; 12:35 a. m.
South bound passenger trains—8:20 a. m.; 9:05 a. m.; 5:00 p. m.
Motor cars, north bound—8:00 a. m.; 3:15 p. m.
Motor cars, south bound—11:15 a. m.; 3:30 p. m.

Burton.

The Endeavor Society of this place will hold a home-made bake goods sale next Saturday afternoon, June 24th, at Detwiler's store in Owosso—Mrs. Jonas Cook Jr., and daughter and the former's father, A. K. Giles, returned home from Cleveland, where they were called by the illness of a relative—Mrs. R. B. Bromley and daughters spent three days the past week with Mr. and Mrs. D. Banghart in Owosso—G. T. Mason of Owosso, visited relatives in this place the first of the week—The Misses Inez Cramer and Edna Farr of Owosso, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Brooks, Friday night and Saturday—Mrs. Eugene Bolton of Owosso, spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Bailey—Mr. and Mrs. Millard McCreery and daughter Miss Leota, of near St. Johns, drove over in their auto and spent Saturday evening at the home of A. E. Cadz—Harold Brooks spent Sunday with his cousin George Snyder, south of Ovid—Miss Sarah McWilliams and her niece Miss Anna Mason, returned home from Lansing Monday night—Miss Murel Ackroyd returned home from the Ferris Institute at Big Rapids, Saturday—Miss Mildred B. Holland of Ovid, was the guest of her friend Mrs. J. W. Martindale, one day the first of the week—Mrs. Evah Panther and daughter Miss Opah, of Edmund, Oklahoma, is the guest of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Ackroyd—Quite a number from this place attended the Children's Day exercises at Carland, Sunday—Mrs. Martha Martyn spent Tuesday with relatives in this place.

Probate Court.

John D. Young has been discharged as guardian of Harry O. Alger, a minor. In the estate of William A. Woodard deceased, of Owosso, Asa D. Whipple has been appointed administrator. W. M. Kilpatrick and E. O. Dewey were appointed appraisers and commissioners on claims. They will meet to hear claims against the estate at the office of Kilpatrick & Pierpont in Owosso on August 21st and October 23rd next.

Hearing claims has been closed in the estate of Charles H. Beardsley, deceased, and of Orrelia M. Fox, deceased.

The final account of William McKinney as administrator of the estate of William M. Lewis, deceased, of Burns township, has been allowed and the estate closed.

The final account of Emma B. Warren as executrix of the estate of Jacob House deceased, has been allowed.

In the estate of Lewis C. VanDyne, deceased, an order determining the heirs at law has been entered.

In the matter of the estate of Celia Portelance a minor, an order was made permitting the guardian to settle a claim against the Royal Neighbors Insurance company.

Ephraim Hart of Laingsburg, has been appointed guardian of Cecil and James Hart, minors.

In the estate of Arcelia M. Fox, deceased, the final account will be heard July 17th.

Petitions have been filed for the appointment of an administrator of the estates of Sam Bohula deceased, and Tom Mikulik deceased, and the hearings were set for July 18th next.

The final account of the executor of the estate of Marie Spalding deceased, will be heard July 18th.

Coe—Lohrer.

George Coe and Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lohrer, were united in marriage at nine o'clock Wednesday morning at St. Paul's Catholic church, Rev. Fr. P. J. Slane officiating. The bride was attired in white satin trimmed in jewels, and was attended by Miss Eva Brandel of Lansing. The groomsmen were Thomas Coe, a brother of the groom.

After the ceremony, which was performed in the presence of a large company of friends to the accompaniment of a nuptial high mass, the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride at 1216 Herman street. There, at noon, a four course wedding dinner was served Miss Kate Russell acting as caterer.

Mrs. J. H. Laverock is visiting at the home of S. B. Fuller in Detroit.

Local News.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Monroe of Chicago, have been in the city part of the week.

Miss Bernice Stewart of Detroit, is the guest of relatives and friends in the city.

E. P. Lord of Byron, was the guest of his son, R. A. Lord, Wednesday and Thursday.

Chas. S. Williams has completed his years work at the University and returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Crawford have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Matthews in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Martin left Thursday to spend some time in Grand Rapids and at one of the lake resorts.

O. F. Maxstead has let the contract for the erection of a new house on Mason street to J. B. Angus, work to be started at once.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fowler are visiting in Pontiac, and before returning will spend a few days with relatives in Detroit.

A book of unusual interest to Owosso people has just been published by the Fleming H. Revell Co. of Chicago. It is the Life Story of William Scott Ament. The author, Henry D. Porter, M. D., D. D., has been a life-long friend of the Ament family. The Chinese proverb sums up the thought of the book when it says: "He starts from the plain who ascends the heights. He proceeds from the near who journeys afar." The purpose of the volume, as the author says, is essentially not that of eulogy. It is a study of work and service in a great cause. As we read these pages which tell the story of one of our own citizens—for Dr. Ament always regarded Owosso as his home—the fine words of Amiel flash before us: "Never to tire; never grow cold; to be patient, sympathetic, tender; to look for the budding flower and the opening heart; hope always; like God to love always—that is duty." Rev. C. H. Hanks received a copy of the work a few days ago with the compliments of Dr. Porter.

A Busy Official.

One of the busiest men in town these days is Street Commissioner Eugene Brewer who hustles from early morning until late in the day, directing the men at work for the city under him. Everybody employed by the city has to move rapidly to keep pace with the "boss" who is on hand here and there all about the city to see that things do move. Mr. Brewer has been handicapped since assuming the position because of the desire of the city fathers to make some radical changes in the manner of handling various lines of work, particularly that on the streets and until the question of the purchase of a stone crusher was finally settled by the favorable action of the council Monday evening plans could not be perfected. Now that the crusher has been ordered it will not be long before Owosso will see some of the right kind of road work done. The aldermen will doubtless be asked to build curbs and macadamize two or three streets, the expense to be divided between the property owners, the general and ward highway funds, which will not be a heavy burden for the individual and will give the city roads which will not call for the constant expenditure of money each year.

Mr. Brewer made a start toward repairing the asphalt pavement on Washington street this week and if the work seems satisfactory after it has stood a few days the entire street will be put in shape. It is believed the work can be done at a small fraction of the cost asked by outside contractors. He also has other men at work trimming shade trees, cutting weeds, etc., while the sidewalk gang is now organized and will go to work at once. In this connection new "forms" have been purchased which will be used in building sidewalks with the belief that better work and at a less cost will be done.

During the week several of the streets have been put in shape by the use of a tooth drag—a new implement which cuts the high spots in the road—and a road grader which draws the dirt loosened into the low places and rounds up the road in splendid shape. A traction engine is used to draw the machines which work together. The use of these implements will do away with the necessity of hauling loads of gravel to be dropped here and there and will result in a large saving to the highway fund.

Mayor Sprague is watching all this work closely, giving an unusually large amount of time to the duties of his office and has the cordial co-operation of the aldermen in everything which tends to benefit the city and lessen the expenditures.

Judging by results to date the present administration will set a fast pace for succeeding ones.

Owosso High School Commencement

"Make good!" The typical American command was the keynote of the address to the graduating class of the Owosso high school Tuesday evening at the First Baptist church. The message of the times was delivered by Prof. W. D. Henderson, science instructor at the University of Michigan.

It was a sound and sensible message, with most of its truths embalmed in sparkling witticisms. Prof. Henderson usually told a story to illustrate his point, and the story, in each case exactly fitting the situation, served to make the point stick.

The speaker declared that he formerly believed the saying that every year for a kingship. He must show himself a king. He must be master, absolute master, of his business or profession, of some branch of human activity. As long as there is a person over him or above him who is more proficient, then he is not a king, but a prince. And a prince does not have the responsibilities and pleasures of a king. He is subordinate to the more efficient master.

He urged his hearers to awaken to their opportunities and possibilities, and cautioned them not to embark in anything which they did not like, or for which they had no taste. "A person who goes to his daily duties in the morning wishing it were noon, and returns at noon wishing it were night, is a slave, and will never be a success in the line he has chosen. If that feeling comes to you, have the courage to break away from habit and environment and get into the field for which you were fitted."

The church was comfortably filled for the exercises. The auditorium was decorated with American flags and with the class colors, gold and white. An innovation was the introduction of footlights, which rimmed the edge of the platform. Supt. Hanson acted as chairman. The program was opened by an organ voluntary by Miss Gemmel. Then the girls' chorus sang "O, Beautiful Earth" by Melville, and "The Flower Rain" by Schneider. The chorus had been drilling for several months on these numbers, and their work reflected great credit on Miss Gertrude Smith, supervisor of music in the public schools. There were 40 girls in the chorus.

Rev. John Watson pronounced the invocation, and the high school choir of mixed voices rendered Abt's "The Lake." The sixty young people comprising this chorus were also taught by Miss Smith, and their voices were also tuneful and pleasing.

Dr. Henderson then gave his address, "Kings and the Common People," which was followed by a solo from Gilbert Loring, Huhn's "Invictus," which was warmly applauded.

Supt. Hanson presented the diplomas to the 30 graduates who sat on the platform, and announced that Henry Sprague had also been awarded one of the coveted parchments. Mr. Sprague finished three years' work in the high school, then went to the preparatory school at Annapolis to fit himself to enter the United States Naval Academy. That he had studied faithfully and well, taking up work at least as difficult as the senior work of the local institution, was proven by the fact that he had successfully passed his entrance examinations. Mr. Hanson declared that it was a pleasure to recognize and reward the work of the Owosso young man had done.

Two of Reinecke's selections, "Loveliest Violets" and "Bloom, O Rose Forever Mine," were given by the girls' chorus to the usual accompaniment of applause, and Rev. J. E. Somers pronounced the benediction.

A graceful and deserved tribute to his principal, Mr. Goodrich, was paid by Supt. Hanson after the diplomas had been distributed. Mr. Goodrich retires from school work to go into business here, and Mr. Hanson thanked the principal in his own behalf and in behalf of the citizens of Owosso for his faithful and intelligent labors in the high school.

Marriage Licenses

John R. Kuhn, St. Johns, 35
Alice Pierce, Owosso, 16
Wm. Alcombrack, Owosso, 24
Sarah Roberts, Owosso, 26
Chas. Baxter, Durand, 65
Mary L. Arscult, Durand, 64
Geo. W. Rhoades, West Haven, 23
Grace Metz, Owosso, 17
Ward Martin, Venice twp., 23
Ida E. Watson, Venice, 22
LaVerne Dyer, Owosso, 42
Iva Matthews, Owosso, 31
John M. Wade, Perry, 30
Edith Almon, Perry, 17
Theodore Reynolds, Ovid, 40
Carrie Carse, Middlebury, 37

Williams—Buhl.

Corunna, June 22.—Ervin H. Williams, clerk in Carland's grocery here, and Miss Nellie Buhl of Shiawassee township were married at the Congregational parsonage, in Owosso, at 8:30 Wednesday evening by Rev. C. H. Hanks. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Clare Coste.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams will reside in Corunna. Many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams left Thursday morning on a trip to Niagara Falls and Buffalo. When they return next week they will be at home to their friends on Frazier street, which has been furnished for the coming of the bride.

Halsey—Henderson.

Miss Ethel Henderson was married at four o'clock Thursday afternoon to Winfred Halsey of Lansing, Rev. J. S. Steinger officiating. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. Henderson, North Saginaw street, and was witnessed only by the immediate relatives.

On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Halsey leave for Detroit on their honeymoon and go later to Lansing, where the groom is employed in the Reo factory. The bride is a member of the Methodist church of this city, and was formerly employed at Hunt & Martin's millinery store. Friends here extend best wishes.

Mallskey—Rogers.

Dr. Walter C. Mallskey slipped quietly out of the city the first of the week and on Tuesday morning was united in marriage with Miss Lou Rogers at the home of the bride in St. Joseph, Rev. Hoag of that city officiating. After a wedding breakfast, Dr. and Mrs. Mallskey left for Lansing to attend a fraternity banquet at the M. A. C., not making known their marriage until after the festivities were over. They arrived in Owosso Wednesday morning. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mallskey are chiropractic graduates, recently completing their course in the college at Grand Rapids, and will practice in this city, succeeding to the business of Dr. J. M. Eagan, with offices over the State Savings Bank.

Dr. Mallskey is a graduate of the Owosso high school and spent three years at the M. A. C. He has the confidence of a wide circle of friends, who wish him and his bride happiness and success. They will reside for the present with the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mallskey, Saginaw street.

St. Paul's School Commencement.

A class of sixteen young people was sent out into the world from St. Paul's parochial school Wednesday. Commencement exercises were held at the Owosso theatre, and the auditorium was packed to the doors by the parents and friends of the graduates. The program was very well rendered and interesting. It consisted of recitations, tableaux, playlets and music, in addition to a fine graduating address by Rev. Fr. Seymour of Grand Rapids.

The salutatory was rendered by Margaret Lewis and the valedictory by Herbert Roach, Rev. Fr. J. Slane, to whose untiring efforts and executive ability much of the success of the school is due, presented the diplomas. The excellence of the tableaux and plays spoke eloquently of the labors of the Dominican Sisters who are in charge of the school, to perfect their pupils.

Each of the graduates was given a certificate for excellence in penmanship and Miss Deborah Stotunbur also graduated in music.

Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Case are visiting relatives in Detroit—Miss Abbie Howard is home for the summer—Miss Vivian and Master Warner Vau-Astine of Byron, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred West—Mrs. Lizzie Harrington of Indianapolis, is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. E. DeHart—Miss Georgia Tilden is spending a few days in Detroit—Earl Ferguson sold two autos in Venice last week. One to T. L. Cronkrite and one to E. Perry—Mrs. Agnes Martin entertained a party of old friends on Friday evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. Dora Kerr of Oakland, Cal. Mrs. Kerr left Vernon thirty-three years ago—Rev. Baker has received a call to the Baptist church in Belfontaine, Ohio, but has not yet accepted. Vernon people would be sorry to have him leave them—A. Shaw, B. Holmes and E. Walworth were at Chesaning Sunday—Mrs. Kerr and daughter Mrs. Wood and little son and Mrs. Agnes Martin are visiting relatives in Owosso this week—Ray Byington, Mrs. M. M. Byington and Mrs. Fred Miller visited friends at Northville this week. They made the trip by auto.