

WAR OF WARS

Practically All of Europe Involved in the Greatest Struggle in World's History--Germany the Aggressor.

War developments have come so fast since Germany and Russia declared war upon each other that it is almost impossible to keep in touch with the same. With Germany, Russia, Great Britain, France, Belgium, Austria and other countries involved the attention of the entire world is centered upon the struggle. A brief summary of yesterday's doings follows:

Liege, Belgium, Aug. 6.—Via London, 3:45 p. m.—A force of German Uhlans made a brilliantly courageous, but fatal, attempt to capture the Belgian general staff here during last night. Belgian troops swooped down on them and annihilated all.

The Uhlans had actually penetrated the city as far as the Rue Sainte Foi, where the Belgian headquarters had been established when Belgian soldiers came on the scene.

London, Aug. 7.—The British fleet has engaged the German fleet on the high seas. The British warships are requested to be driving the Germans toward the Dutch coast.

The Press Association claims that it was advised of the fight between the fleets by the admiralty. The admiralty, however, refuses to confirm or deny that a battle is in progress.

Tokio, Aug. 6.—An authentic report received here states that the German squadron has been bottled up at Tsing-Tau by the British.

Out of London comes the report that the British fleet has engaged the German fleet in battle on the high seas. The British admiralty refuse information as to whether a naval engagement is in progress, but the British warships, which put out several days ago, have been searching for the Germans in the North Sea.

The British cruiser Amphion has been sunk by contact with a mine, with the loss of more than a hundred men.

Emperor William of Germany, in an order to the army and navy, calls upon all Germans capable of bearing arms, to fight for the fatherland.

In Belgium, Germans and Belgians are fighting around Liege, where upwards of 100,000 men are engaged. According to official reports from Brussels, the two days' fighting has cost the Germans thousands of men. The Belgians are also believed to have lost heavily. As yet there have been no reports from German sources as to the outcome of the German attacks.

Austria-Hungary has declared war on Russia, and the Russian ambassador at Vienna has been given his passports.

The British prime minister in the house of commons asked for an additional war appropriation of \$500,000,000 and an army increase of 500,000 men, both of which requests were granted. At the same time the government declared a moratorium in London for a month with certain exemptions.

Russian cavalry, endeavoring to enter east Prussia have been driven back by the German frontier guards.

A Tien Tsing despatch says the Russian cruiser Askold and the German cruiser Emden in an engagement off Wei-Hai-wei, have been sunk.

Madrid, Aug. 6.—Via Paris.—According to official advices more than fifty German steamers already have been captured by the British squadron.

Brussels, Aug. 6.—11:56 p. m.—Via Paris.—After having suffered a serious check and heavy casualties at the hands of the Belgians at Liege on Wednesday, the German troops today returned to the fray with redoubled ardor, and tonight were pounding away at the forts with siege guns and field pieces and rifles. In the fighting of Wednesday, the estimates of the German casualties ran as high as 8,000 men. The invaders also are said to have lost a large number of guns.

In one attack German infantry being supported by cavalry marched upon Mindger. The Belgians thereupon detonated the mines and an entire battalion of Germans was killed. Wounded Germans to the number of 1,200 were picked upon the battle field.

It is estimated that in the fighting, 40,000 Germans were faced by 25,000 Belgians.

In the attack on Fort Parehon, northeast of the city, the Belgians

permitted the Germans to draw up almost to the walls of the fortress. Then they turned loose their guns, and the slaughter is said to have been appalling.

Under the terrific fire here the Germans were forced to retire all along the line. A detachment of Uhlans penetrated the city Wednesday night with the intention, it is said, of capturing high officials. They had actually reached the building where the officials had quarters when they were surprised and all of them killed.

The shells of the Germans today breached the walls of two of the fortresses, which were captured. From the other forts, however, the Belgians continued to pour a deadly rain of shot and shell into the ranks of the advancing Germans.

Despite the heroic resistance of the Belgians, it was felt in Brussels tonight, the invaders, by reason of their great strength, could not much longer be denied, and that ultimately they must gain the city of Liege, whence they are expected to press onward to Namur, in their efforts to cross Belgium to the French frontier. At Namur, which is strongly fortified, it is asserted resistance as strong as that at Liege will be encountered by the Germans.

City Road Roller.
The city is to own its own road roller, Mayor DeYoung having purchased for \$1,400 a five-ton machine from a Ft. Wayne, Ind., firm. The roller will be put into immediate use on the Washington street pavement.

Primary School Money.
County Treasurer Rush has received from the State \$60,882.50 primary school money and will at once divide it according to the apportionment recently published.

Co. H Ready for Camp.
Under command of Capt. J. O. Parker, Co. H, 55 strong, will leave on Wednesday morning for the annual state encampment at Grayling. The boys leave on the regular 8:27 train for Bay City, where they will take a special train for the camp. Capt. Parker's men are in good shape and will acquit themselves creditably while absent for ten days.

DOUBLE WEDDING.
Mrs. Sarah Banker and Mr. Frank Cole and Miss Emma Banker, daughter of Mrs. Banker and Mr. Henry Griffen were united in marriage at the home of the brides Wednesday evening, at Perry. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present. Rev. Asa Hoskins performed the double ceremony.

ROAD BEE MONDAY.
The road bee for the purpose of gravelling the half mile west of the Caledonia town hall will start next Monday morning and will continue until the road is finished. All those wishing to assist with the work of this important road are urged to be on hand early. Gravel will be taken from the Bihimer pit. Teams, wagons and shovels will be needed. The road is one of the most important in the entire county and it is urged that all that can do so will assist in the work. Further information may be secured from A. G. Cudney or C. M. Bihimer.

OWOSSO BUTCHERS' AND GROCERS' ANNUAL PICNIC.

At a meeting of the Butchers' and Grocers' Association at Secretary W. A. Seegmiller's office Wednesday evening, it was decided to hold the annual picnic at McCurdy park Thursday, August 27. Frank Wilbur, Herbert Hawcroft, W. E. Hall and J. A. Barie were appointed as a committee to assist President Harry Smith and Secretary Seegmiller in making arrangements for the event. The program will be announced in a few days.

MRS. WOODROW WILSON DEAD

Wife of President Passes Away in White House—Expressions of Sympathy Nation Wide.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President of the United States, died at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the White House. Not until a day or two before her death was it generally known that she was suffering from Bright's disease and other complications which gave no hope for her recovery.

The President was completely unnerved by the shock, and his grief was heartrending. He bore up well under the strain, however, and devoted himself to his daughters. The end came while Mrs. Wilson was unconscious. Her illness took a turn for the worse shortly before 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and from then on she grew gradually worse.

Both houses of congress adjourned upon the announcement of the death and within a few minutes expressions of sympathy began to reach the White House from all parts of the nation.

Good Prices for Cattle.

Wm. McAvoy of New Haven township, sold to Otis Mead of Henderson, Wednesday, 23 head of two-year old steers for \$1782; an average of nearly \$78 per head. The cattle were grass fed and had no grain before being sold.

The Trunk Line Bridge.

The work of constructing the trunk line cement bridge over the Shiawassee between Rush and New Haven townships is well under way and gives promise of being a most satisfactory job. The bridge and the new road will prove a great convenience to the public.

Scout's Camp.

The Congregational Boy Scouts, with Secretary W. A. Seegmiller, scoutmaster, will leave about August 20 for a week's camp at Long Lake, near Egan. The Scouts will give an exhibition drill at Fenton during the encampment. Commencing today, drills will be held at the armory every Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock until the boys go to camp.

Prisoner of War.

S. B. Conger of Grand Rapids, representative of the Associated Press in Berlin, Germany, was arrested Saturday last near Gumbinnen, East Prussia, while making for St. Petersburg, and is being held as a prisoner of war on the suspicion that he is a spy. U. S. Ambassador Gerard is looking after the case and will undoubtedly secure the release of Mr. Conger but has been informed that he will not be allowed to continue his journey into Russia. Mrs. Conger (formerly Miss Lucile Bailey) and an instructor in the Owosso high school with her two children is visiting her parents at Leslie, Mich.

Later dispatches indicated that Mr. Conger has returned to Berlin.

Morrice.

Ernest Goen, aged 29 years, disappeared from his farm home in Woodhall while mentally unbalanced, Monday. Wednesday a letter was received from Jackson which stated that he was there taking treatments. Mr. Goen who has been working the large farm known as the Thompson farm had been in ill health for a number of weeks. He left a wife and four small children when he disappeared.—The Ladies of the Methodist church here will give an ice cream social Saturday night on Mrs. Hattie Austin's lawn. All are cordially invited to attend.—The Junior Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church will give a picnic Thursday at Pine Lake.—Mrs. Esther Myers left for St. Johns where she will attend a family reunion at Atwood Lake. Mrs. Myers will be one of the principal figures at the reunion as she is mother, grand mother and great grandmother to those present.—Earl Short who resides southeast of town and was supposed to be in a critical condition, has improved and is considered out of danger.

USEFUL LIFE ENDED

Dr. Dryden H. Lamb Succumbs to Bright's Disease—Prominent in His Profession and Highly Esteemed as a Citizen.

Dr. Dryden H. Lamb, who was taken seriously sick while in his office on Monday of last week and was at the time near death's door, died at his home on Oliver street at 10:30 Tuesday evening after having been afflicted for two years with Bright's disease. For a few days after he was stricken with the fatal illness he seemed to improve a little but the improvement was only temporary and the end which Dr. Lamb had predicted and prepared for from the time he knew what his trouble was, came as stated. Funeral services were held from the home Thursday afternoon conducted by Rev. T. G. Hahn, pastor of Salem's Lutheran church and a close personal friend and spiritual adviser, officiating at the request of the deceased, who had given directions as to the funeral arrangements which were carried out just as he wished. About thirty of the physicians of the county and a large number of friends were present at the services. The interment was in Oakhill.

The passing of Dr. Lamb takes from the community one of its most useful citizens, a man who stood high in his profession and was a recognized authority as a specialist in the treatment of eye, ear, nose and throat difficulties. He was also deeply interested in the welfare of Owosso, having served as alderman of the first ward and as mayor of the city. Of a genial nature he won and held the friendship of all citizens and his loss is keenly felt in his wide circle of friends, in the several fraternal organizations to which he belonged, Masons, Elks and Maccabees.

Dr. Lamb was born at Dryden, Mich., April 25, 1869, receiving his education in the schools there and in Ann Arbor and in 1891 graduated from the medical department of the University of Michigan. Shortly thereafter he located at Tomahawk, Wis., for the practice of his profession, removing to Flint two years later and to Owosso in 1894. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American war in 1898, Dr. Lamb was commissioned and assigned to duty as surgeon at Fort Meyer, Washington, D. C. So well were his duties in this connection performed, that about 18 months later, he was assigned to government service in the Philippine islands where he also served a year and a half, returning with the rank of major. He performed a most useful work in Uncle Sam's comparatively new possessions and established a hospital there. He was close to active service in the Filipino war.

The deceased is survived by his wife and one daughter, Miss Esther, and his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lamb of Dryden.

R. N. Gibson, of the Sturtevant & Blood Co., returned Tuesday from a visit with his parents at Clintonville, Wis.

MIDDLEBURY-SCIOTA

Mrs. E. W. Sanderson was in Flint Saturday.

Mrs. Cass Slocum, of Owosso, was a guest of Mrs. Ira Kaltrider, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schultz and niece spent over Sunday in Pontiac. Theron Wilson, of Shafitsburg, was a guest of his cousin, Leo Wilson, Sunday.

Miss Jennette Burk, of Owosso, is spending a few days with Mrs. Millie Burk.

Mrs. L. E. Willet spent Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Myra Slocum.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ryon and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ryon spent Thursday in Oakley and Owosso.

Miss Luella Boyd, of Plainfield, Ill., was a guest of relatives here, and in Perry for the past two weeks.

Maud Warren and Vesta Mulder were guests of Minnie March in Lainsburg a few days last week.

County Expenditures for July.

County Treasurer F. H. Rush paid county orders as follows during the past month: Road, \$4,771.45; drain, \$101; sparrow, \$2.22; witness, \$26; soldiers' relief, \$15.75; salary, \$1,287.49; poor, \$643.66; county, \$1,190.14; building and grounds, \$210.80; purchase, \$226.65; birth and death certificates, \$166; mothers' pension, \$90; interest on court house bonds, \$160; premium on insurance, \$25.85; Detroit House of Correction bill, \$73.35, and examination of insane, \$15.

PAIR OF BERTS WHO ARE VERY POPULAR

Griffin for Sheriff and Nichols for Clerk—Needn't Worry.

County Clerk A. L. Nichols and Under Sheriff B. S. Griffin were in town awhile Monday morning. Here's two successful candidates in the coming primaries. Their popularity is such that there's no opposition to them in the primary. It's a good prediction Mr. Griffin will be the next sheriff of the county. This is the particular wish in this part of the county, as Bert is a DuRand man, going from here to Corunna, and it being presumed he will return to the Hub when he gets through with the sheriff's office. As for Mr. Nichols—well, he is in a class by himself, both as a man and as a county official.—Durand Express.

Post Office Notes.

Parcel post service between the United States and France and Germany has been discontinued until further notice, on account of the war. Parcels which have been mailed and have not reached destination will be returned.

Money orders will be drawn for limited amounts only on foreign countries involved in war, the sum of \$100 being fixed as the limit, to aid in the return home of Americans now in Europe. Orders for large sums for special purposes will not be issued.

Press dispatches are to the effect that Belgium has notified the post office department by cablegram to suspend all money order business.

The Owosso-New Lothrop Railroad.

The committee appointed at the railroad meeting held recently at New Lothrop to represent Hazelton and New Haven townships to procure information desired by the Ann Arbor railroad officials to lay before the directors of the road with the hope that a sufficient showing might be made to warrant the building of a line between Owosso and New Lothrop, has completed its work and forwarded its report to General Manager Towsley at Toledo. The facts compiled show that a large freight business would be assured, particularly in the shipment of farm products, and from the coal field which covers a wide section. Additional facts will be forwarded by the committee of the Improvement Association.

In acknowledging the receipt of the statement, Mr. Towsley wrote Washington Snyder to the effect that the showing made was a good one and that the traffic department of the road would "work up possible revenue to be secured from the traffic." He also stated that "before anything definite can be done it will be necessary for the people you represent to indicate how much right of way will be given for such a railroad and how much money through the taking of bonds, etc., will be provided for the construction of the line." He also expressed the opinion that the present status of the railroad situation is such that no railroad will undertake to extend its lines for several years to come unless the money necessary is contributed by local interests.

Ticket Selling Contest.

The County Fair management has decided to start a season ticket selling contest, and are offering the following prizes:

- 1st. Prize—\$50.00 Diamond Ring or \$40.00 in Cash.
- 2d. Prize—\$25.00 Diamond Ring or \$20.00 in Cash.
- 3d. Prize—\$15.00 Watch or \$10.00 in cash.
- 4th. Prize—\$500 Cash.

For further information call at H. A. L. Ferguson's Drug Store, Main St.

G. L. Dimmick, Jr., of Toledo, was home over Sunday.

Mrs. G. L. Dimmick returned on Wednesday from Beulah. W. J. Melchers and L. L. Conn were in Grand Rapids, Tuesday and Wednesday attending a conference of telephone company representatives.

Boost the Fair

Shiawassee is going to have a county fair. How good will rest with the co-operation of the people interested. It is absolutely necessary to place 2,000 season tickets at \$1.00 each to finish the improvements already started, and when all the plans are completed we will have the best county fair grounds in the state.

The fair management urges all interested in making this a success to take as many tickets as possible, for the money can be used to better advantage now than at the time of the fair.

The season ticket will have \$1.30 in admissions for the \$1.00, and the money received will be used in building the necessary buildings to house the exhibits.

Give us a helping hand to boost the fair. Not only take a ticket, but get your neighbor to take one; write your friends to come for the week; make a regular "home-coming" out of this week.

The band will play on the streets at night and the free exhibitions shown during the day at the grounds will also be given on the streets. Help us make this the largest week in the year by making our fair the best county fair in the state.

Get a premium list and a race program. Write W. J. Dowling, secretary, for any further information.

Death of Mrs. Eliza L. Drake.

Mrs. Eliza Livingston Drake died Sunday morning at eight o'clock, after a long illness, at the age of 89 years and 7 months, the last of a family of 13 children.

She was born in Monroe county, New York, Dec. 13, 1825, and in early childhood came with her parents to Oakland county, Mich. She was married to Sidney Drake in Birmingham, Mich., in 1845. They, with two young sons by a former wife, a sister of Mrs. Drake, lived their quiet home life until the Civil war broke the family circle and the sons, grown to manhood, answered their country's call by giving their lives—one at Gettysburg, the other at Andersonville.

Two children were born to the second marriage—one dying in infancy. The other is Mrs. T. M. Wiley, with whom she has lived since the death of the husband in 1880.

She made many friends and will be greatly missed in the home where she has been gladly and tenderly cared for in her declining years by her daughter and son-in-law.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. H. Hanks late Monday afternoon and on Tuesday morning the remains were taken to Birmingham for burial.

Secures Money on Forged Checks.

Robert Donahoe—at least that is the name under which he is sailing—who claims to hail from Lafayette, Ind., is in jail in default of bail awaiting trial in the circuit court for passing forged checks on the Owosso and Citizens' Savings Banks for the sum of \$105. The young man came to the city some days ago from Jackson and registered at the National hotel and soon formed an acquaintance with a number of the young people in the city. He seemed to be supplied with money and had an abundance of "nerve" which enabled him to sail high in various ways. Failing to pay his board bill promptly, he gave as an excuse that a check expected from his father had not arrived, soon thereafter showing three checks, one of which he mailed from Oakley to his address here, and on which he obtained the amount stated by being identified at the banks by Mrs. Clara Gardner, and Clem Kelly—the latter endorsing the check cashed at the Citizens' bank. On being arrested Saturday by Deputy Sheriff Sproule the young man confessed the crime. He will doubtless serve some time in one of the prisons of the state, as he will have to stand trial on both charges, the Owosso Savings Bank having asked for a warrant which will be served in case he is given bail on the charge preferred by the Citizens' bank or later on at the expiration of the sentence which he may receive.

Mrs. Fred Loomis and Mrs. E. W. Stickney, of Flint, were in the city Thursday to attend the funeral of Dr. D. H. Lamb.

Misses Clara Allison and Cora Honey are visiting friends in Hastings.

Architect E. A. Bowd, of Lansing, was in the city Wednesday to consult the building committee for the State armory about some details which have to be settled before the final drawings for the plans can be completed.

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