

### Eighth Annual Convention.

The eighth annual county convention of the order of Eastern Star will be held at New Lothrop, May 27.

### Board of Equalization.

The Owosso City Board of Equalization will meet Monday, May 17, at the city hall and remain in session for four days or longer to review the 1915 assessment roll.

### Annual Tax Sales.

The annual sale of lands delinquent for taxes was held Tuesday at the County Treasurer's office. Of the 245 descriptions advertised, more than half were redeemed by the owners. Warren Pierpont, Floyd Boatwell and F. J. Northway bought most of the 65 descriptions sold. Over fifty were unsold.

### U. S. Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

Weather forecast for the week beginning Wednesday, May 5, 1915, issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C. In the region of the Great Lakes the indications are that generally fair weather with moderate temperature will prevail throughout the week.

### Fine Order For Furniture.

The Woodard Furniture Co. has received an order for 1600 pieces of bedroom furniture to be delivered before Oct. 1915 at Dayton, Ohio. The furniture will be used in the new Miami hotel. The order amounts to \$25,000 and the furniture will be in American mahogany, Adam design. This with other orders will keep the factory unusually busy until fall.

### Death of Michael Grady.

Michael Grady, who has been a resident of Shiawassee county for the past forty-two years died Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, 1405 West Main street. Mr. Grady who was eighty-six years of age had been suffering ill health for some time past.

Besides a widow deceased is survived by two daughters and a son, Mrs. Hannah Sullivan of Albion, Miss Minnie Grady of this city and James Grady of Durand.

### Bar Adopts Resolutions.

Corunna, May 5.—A resolution of regret over the death of the late G. R. Lyon, was presented in circuit court by W. M. Kilpatrick, chairman of the committee of lawyers named by Judge Miner some weeks ago, for that purpose. It was adopted and placed on the court journal. Judge Miner named Seth Q. Pulver, J. H. Collins and A. E. Richards a committee to draft a similar resolution regarding the death of the late Odell Chapman.

### Corunna Commencement.

Commencement exercises of Corunna schools will be held June 16 at McCurdy park casino. The Junior reception for the senior class will be held the following evening. Hon. Patrick H. Kelley of Lansing, will deliver the address to the graduating class. Miss Myrtle Williams will be valedictorian; Miss Eva Howard gives the salutatory; Miss Grace Almendinger, prophecy; Miss Pauline Bagin, class history; Miss Alice Kelley, class will.

The Junior class will give the play "A Scrap of Paper" the latter part of May.

### RETAILERS BANQUET.

"Why Trade at Home" Articles to be Read and Prizes Awarded. The regular monthly meeting of the Retailers will be held at Connor's cafe next Monday evening at 6:30. The association is making every effort to increase the growth of a desire on the part of all to trade at home. The Improvement association assisted by presenting the "Made in Owosso" week as the first gun in the campaign.

The articles being written for prizes on the subject "Why Trade at Home" will be read and discussed. The Retailer who remains away is not doing his duty to the association nor to his city and he is losing something for himself.

### Thought Him a "Spotter."

J. L. Harwood, representative of the System Magazine, stayed at an Owosso hotel so long that a citizen of Owosso got the idea that he was a local option "spotter" and it is said told Harwood men of it and immediately Harwood got a very cool reception from most everybody. He secured an attorney, found out who had told the story and it is stated made the man settle with him. Harwood also claims that he visited Channing and being asked to ride back to Owosso in an auto was brought part way and left along the road side to get back the best way he could.

## DOPE THIEVES AT WORK

### Secure Large Amounts of Drugs by Clever Thieving—One Caught.

Earl A. Rathburn, a 27 year old dope fiend, was arrested in Corunna, Tuesday, and in his suit case were found seven bottles containing 300 tablets of heroin, 25 tablets of codeine, 50 tablets of morphine sulphate, three bottles of strychnine, a bottle of crystal cocaine and other poisons and two dope mixers, three hypodermic syringes, one containing six needles and other dope tools. Rathburn and another fellow, evidently a partner, worked the drug stores of Owosso and Corunna and evidently made a good clean up, but did not get out of the county soon enough. At Derham's drug store in Corunna, Rathburn asked to have a plaster put on his back and while this was being done and paid for, the drugs were stolen. The loss was soon noticed and the sheriff notified and the man arrested as he started to board an Owosso car.

This fellow or some other attempted the same game on all the Owosso druggists, securing drugs at the Collins store, but being watched at the others so that he failed to rob them. Rathburn is a well educated young man, well dressed and evidently has made a good thing out of the business. Doctors and druggists have all taken extra precaution lately as the new Harrison dope law makes thieving common by the victims of the habit.

### ARBITRATORS FAIL

### Improvement Association Names Committee to Take up Sidetrack Damage Matter.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Improvement Association the matter of damages to L. C. Hall's property at the northwest corner of Michigan avenue and Howard streets where the Ann Arbor railroad is putting in a sidetrack to the American Malleables plant, was taken up and a special committee appointed consisting of E. O. Dewey, A. D. Whipple and J. M. Terhush to consult with Mr. Hall. O. L. Sprague and W. E. Hall as arbitrators had been unable to agree on the matter and the Ann Arbor started building the track as the Malleables Company wants to use the track badly at present. Mr. Hall threatened to secure an injunction and work was stopped.

It is stated that Albert Todd has offered \$1550 for the property but Mr. Hall wants more, but it is hoped an adjustment can be secured immediately.

The matter of the Improvement Association assisting the Choral Union financially in contracting for a series of entertainments with outside artists next winter was discussed at the association meeting Tuesday and referred to the entertainment committee.

### CRIMINAL CASES

### Disposed of in Circuit Court—Several Plead Guilty.

Most of the criminal cases on the circuit court calendar were easily disposed of when court opened Monday. John Coleman an Owosso restaurant proprietor plead guilty to a local option violation and will be sentenced May 17.

Charles Fallis was discharged on one local option law violation charge and plead guilty to a second charge against him and was remanded to jail for sentence.

Phillip Stacey, plead not guilty and then changed his plea to guilty of breaking jail and is back on the road gang to finish his sentence. He will be given a second sentence later. He attempted to escape from the road gang. Bert Bailey of Crosswell, refused to plead when arraigned on a charge of making a false statement to obtain credit and he will appear at the next term of court for trial.

Beauford Sanders plead not guilty to wife desertion.

The trials of L. C. Hall Jr., and William Smith of Owosso, on charges of rape will be held next week.

### Corunna Mayor's Appointments.

Corunna, May 4.—At Monday night's council meeting, the mayor made the following appointments: Engineer at city hall—Wm. Strigrow. City Surveyor—Vernon Royce. Supt. and Engineer Water Works—A. Withington. Park Caretaker—Mark Martin. City Attorney—Walter Bush. City Fire Warden—Burke Nickels. Fire Chief—S. B. Lyman. Nightwatch—John Wallace. Health officer—Dr. W. T. Parker. Special assessors—George Beemer and George Clark. W. E. Jacobs was elected president of the council for the ensuing year.

### Medical Society.

Dr. F. C. Warnshuis of Grand Rapids, will address a regular monthly meeting of the Shiawassee County Medical Society on Tuesday evening, May 11, in this city, at the Hauck hotel. Dr. Warnshuis is secretary of the State Medical Society. The subject of his address will be "The Business Side of the Practice of Medicine."

### Owosso Team Wins.

The Owosso high school base ball team defeated Flint high school team Saturday at Flint 3 to 2 in a first class game. Foster for Owosso allowed but nine hits and struck out eight men. Flint used three pitchers who allowed but six hits and struck out eight men. The Owosso boys stole five bases. Robbins for Owosso made the hits that scored the three runs. The Owosso team was made up of Maryin as; Kaulitz 3b; Waters lf; Robbins c; Giffel 2b; Foster p; Canfield 1b; Stebbins rf; Pond cf. Owosso plays in Durand, Saturday.

### MALLEABLES WIN

### Defeat M. A. C. Second Team in Good Ball Game Saturday.

The American Malleables base ball team of this city won an interesting base ball game Saturday at Athletic park from the M. A. C. reserves, 6 to 5, the last five runs being made in the ninth inning. Tomlinson for M. A. C. had held the Owosso team to one run with scattered hits until the ninth when he gave out and was succeeded by Nord who gave three bases on balls, which with a long hit and an error by the catcher gave the necessary five runs. About one hundred spectators enjoyed the game. The Malleables team was made up of Fletcher c; Ross 3b; Boehm 1b; Norton as; Smith cf; Limberger rf; Alger rf; Wendt p; Cary 2b; Jankowski lf.

### COMPLETE RE-PAVING

### Commissioner Hanson Will Begin July First—Reports Received.

The balance of the down town district re-paving, being three blocks on Exchange street and two on Ball street will be commenced about July first and will be completed in six weeks.

The city commission received reports Monday from the city librarian, Mrs. M. McBain, showing that 1950 books were circulated in April, that the Y. W. C. A. had donated 229 volumes and the Knights of Columbus 16 volumes.

The Chief of Police's report for April showed that the department had answered 216 calls, found 101 doors unlocked and took care of 179 tramps; twenty-eight arrests, thirteen being drunks, two stealing automobiles, two local option violators, two speeders.

### Bowling Championship.

By winning three straight games from the doctors Monday night, William Honey's team captured the championship of the Owosso Bowling league for the past season, and won the mineralite ball given by H. A. Brown. Honey's team won the first half season's series and the doctors won the second series, making it necessary for the teams to roll a series for the league title.

Following are the scores:

Team No. 3			
Players	1st	2nd	3rd
Finch	140	168	117
Willson	156	123	129
C. Sackrider	161	159	172
Shattuck	155	148	172
Hume	178	145	161
Totals	790	743	752

Team No. 5			
Players	1st	2nd	3rd
Dewey	163	145	181
Lampkin	184	150	170
Allison	151	151	151
Matteson	156	138	129
Honey	215	190	189
Totals	819	774	820

In the Federal League, Team No. 7 won the last half series, Team No. 2 the first half, but as the teams were rearranged during the season no final contest was played by the two winners.

The winners in the two leagues played three games, Wednesday, for the city championship, Team No. 5 of the Owosso league winning two games out of three, the third game being a tie.

At a meeting of the members of the Federal Bowling league held on Tuesday evening, it was decided to have a banquet Friday night at 8 o'clock at the National hotel.

The Owosso league will hold its annual banquet and election of officers at the Episcopal parish house May 17.

Chas. H. Sapp spent Sunday at home in this city, returning to Jackson, Monday, where he has accepted the position of assistant manager of The Lewis Spring & Axle Co., which is now manufacturing an eight cylinder automobile.

### Circuit Court.

Judge Howard Weist of Lansing, will hold court at Corunna next week to hear the case of The People vs. L. C. Hall Jr., on a statutory charge.

Loyal M. Wallace of Owosso charged with breaking and entering freight cars in the Michigan Central yards in January prepared for a trial but Tuesday changed his plea to guilty and was ordered to jail in default of \$1000 bail. He will be sentenced May 17.

The case of Ellen Howd vs. William Fleming of Vernon, was dismissed on motion of the plaintiff.

The case of the Grand Trunk Railroad vs. the Owosso Sugar Co., to collect demurrage was called at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Thirty extra jurors have been summoned for next week in anticipation of the trial of L. C. Hall Jr.

Judge Miner allowed the attorneys for Chester M. Loomis, former Methodist minister at Henderson, until Monday to make a motion to put over the term his case against Otis Mead, et al for damages for slander.

Beauford Sanders of Lansing, who plead guilty of wife desertion gave a bond of \$300 to insure payment of \$3 per week for the support of his child.

Norm Lucas, now of Lansing, a well known former Owosso colored man, was released on probation for three years, but must pay \$4 a week alimony and \$37 back alimony.

The case of the Port Huron Engine & Thresher Co. against Bloom Bros., to collect amount claimed to be due on a note in connection with the purchase of an engine has been settled. The case has been tried twice in the circuit court and heard once by the supreme court.

The case of John Finch vs. Calkins & Augsburg, a horse case, has gone over the term.

The case of James Flannigan vs. A. M. Herrick for \$5,000 damages for injuries when Herrick's machine struck Flannigan's wagon knocking him off and injuring him has been put over the term.

Divorces have been granted to Nellie from J. L. Rathburn, Owosso; Emily from Charles Sals and Lola vs. Fred Siegfried.

### Peace Proclamation.

Peace on earth, good will to men, is fundamental and imperative, in every civilization that calls itself Christian. War is a confession of weakness, at best a necessary evil. It is not yet a thing of the past because brute instincts that should be regulated and directed are allowed to run riot. War is a destroyer; peace is a builder. There has never been a war in which selfishness was not the direct or indirect cause. It therefore follows that armament does not prevent war; standing armies and great navies do not prevent war. Preparation suggests war. Teach men the arts of peace, train men in the arts of peace, and war will disappear from the face of the earth. Temper, unregulated, is the vice of vices. It takes more courage to meet the requirements of peace than war. Few men are great enough to be always kind, always just, always patient. Most men find it easy to be ugly, hateful and devilish.

This year of all years in the history of the world commands us to be men, to be great in the arts of peace, to know the sacredness of life. War means the destruction of fatherhood and motherhood; the destruction of poverty; hell on earth.

We now spend \$290,000,000 a year on "Preparedness for war." Isn't this the time to spend one per cent. of this amount on the preparedness for peace?

Therefore, I, Woodbridge N. Ferris, ask that the people of Michigan set apart Tuesday, May eighteenth, as Peace Day. Let the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish-American War Veterans, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Sunday schools, the Churches, the Fraternal organizations and the people generally, hold such exercises as will stir the emotions of love and good will towards all men.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the State, this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and of the Commonwealth the seventy-ninth.

Woodbridge N. Ferris, Governor.  
Coleman C. Vaughan, Secretary of State.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Christian arrived home Wednesday from a stay of several months in Los Angeles. They visited Vancouver, B. C., and other points on the return trip.

## FOSTER TO BE ONE OF SENATE LEADERS IF RE-ELECTED.

### Popularity Shown in Fight Over School for Blind Appropriation.

By Gurd M. Hayes.

If Senator Charles W. Foster, of the Ingham-Shiawassee district, is re-elected next year, it is generally conceded that he will be one of the most influential men in the upper house.

Few first termers in the senate have advanced as rapidly as Senator Foster and his popularity was shown in a convincing manner when the senate agreed to stay in session all summer if necessary in order to force the house to recede from its decision to cut \$50,000 from the appropriation for the School for the Blind.

This fight was made a personal matter by Senator Foster and he asked the senate to back him in a proposition to block the adjournment until the School for the Blind received the additional appropriation. It granted his request and it also by unanimous vote passed the Foster bill appropriating \$600,000 for a new state office building.

### Committee Work Good.

As a member of the judiciary committee Senator Foster divided honors with Senator Verrier, chairman of the committee, a veteran of four sessions and one of the best men that ever represented the first district of Kent county.

It was largely through the work by Senator Foster and Senator Verrier that the judiciary act was placed in shape for passage this year. While many of the senators were home Senators Foster and Verrier remained at their posts during the week-ends and examined and revised more than 600 pages of the judiciary act.

### Woodworth Prises Work.

As a member of the insurance committee of the senate Foster occupied a commanding position and if he returns at the next session it would not be surprising to see him chairman of this committee.

"Ingham and Shiawassee counties are to be congratulated on the election of Senator Foster," said Senator Fred Woodworth, of the Huron-Sanilac district. "He has the confidence of every member of the senate and will be one of the big men of the legislature in 1917."

### Death of W. L. Parker.

William L. Parker, one of Owosso's best known and highly respected citizens, died Thursday, April 29, at his home on N. Washington street, after an illness of two years with Bright's disease. He spent the summer at Topinabee two years ago and seemed much improved but was taken worse later and went south but failed to improve and had been confined to his home for the past two months. The funeral was held Saturday from the home, Rev. J. G. York officiating.

Deceased was born in Ortonville, Oakland county fifty-five years ago, attending school there and at Vassar and when eighteen years of age went to Caro and learned the stone cutter's trade and engaged in the granite business. In 1879 he was married to Miss Ida M. Husted and in 1897 moved to Owosso and started in business in the building now occupied by the Salvation army on Mason street. Later he had the Gould building now occupied by Wilber's market and ten years ago built the present plant near the Ann Arbor depot and the business has grown until it is known in all parts of the state.

Mr. Parker was a prominent and active worker in the Baptist church serving as trustee for twelve years and chairman of the board for five years. He was also a member of the Elks and Maccabee lodges and Owosso Council United Commercial Travelers.

Mr. Parker was a good citizen in every sense of the word, active in every thing that was for the betterment of the city, enthusiastic and helpful in all public matters.

Surviving are his widow and two sons, Leslie and Harry, who are in charge of the Parker Monument Works and three brothers and one sister.

J. Edwin Ellis has purchased a Maxwell touring car.

Since the mysterious disappearance of Joseph Payne, captain of the local post of the Salvation army, a fortnight ago, H. H. Camp 1416 N. Hickory street, sergeant-major, has had charge of the local work and has been conducting the regular services.

## 333 LAWS ARE SENT TO GOV.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF 1915 WINDS UP ITS WORK AND MEMBERS GO HOME.

### AWAY BELOW 1913

Only Half as Many Laws Passed This Year as Two Years Ago and Less Than Half as Many Important Measures Among Them.

Lansing, Mich.—(Special.)—Three hundred and thirty-three bills were passed by the state legislature in the session of 1915.

This is just about one-half as many as were passed by the session of 1913, and there is less than one-half as much important legislation this year than two years ago.

The bills signed by the governor to date from both house and senate follow:

### Senate Bills.

By Senator Corliss—A bill which authorizes the board of control of the epileptic farm colony the right to classify the patients at the institution.

By Senator Corliss—A bill which permits the board of control of the epileptic farm colony to use the inmates of the institution in the work of constructing buildings for the colony.

By Senator Corliss—A bill giving the medical superintendent of the epileptic farm colony the right when he receives the approval of the board of control, to discharge patients who though not fully cured, are in such condition that they will not be dangerous to public welfare if at liberty.

By Senator Damon—A bill amending an old statute so that the state board of education is hereafter required to hold but one meeting a year.

By Senator Wood—A bill which provides for completing the records of certain plats on file in the office of the auditor general. This bill was given immediate effect.

By Senator Odell—A bill transferring the office of the state game and fish warden to the public domain commission. This bill was passed over the veto of Gov. Ferris and was also given immediate effect.

By Senator Ogg—A bill authorizing the common council of the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purchase of land and the construction of a library. This bill was given immediate effect.

By Senator Wood—A bill to amend the highway law so that repairs to trunk line roads under certain conditions may be made from the state trunk line highway fund.

By Senator Plank—A bill requiring the superintendent of public instruction to pass upon all plans for all school buildings where the amount to be expended exceeds \$300. This measure was given immediate effect.

By Senator Wood—A bill authorizing the auditor general to incorporate in the general tax for 1915 the sum of \$1,215,970.77 to reimburse the general fund for money expended for care of the insane. This bill was given immediate effect.

By Senator Taylor—A bill providing for the publication in pamphlet form of all laws relating to the care of the insane.

By Senator Straight—A bill to repeal an act passed in 1897 to prescribe a course of study to be taught in the district schools of the state. This course is to be known as the agricultural college course.

By Senator Taylor—A bill which authorizes state hospitals for the insane to receive private patients for treatment.

By Senator Morford—A bill prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. This measure restores in what is believed to be constitutional form the law which was declared unconstitutional by the supreme court two years ago.

By Senator Woodworth—A bill which repeals the law passed at the session of 1913 providing for a state inspection of sugar beet testing and weighing.

By Senator Walter—A bill to establish and maintain a general hospital at the Tarverse City State Hospital for the care of what may be deemed emergency cases. This measure was given immediate effect.

By Senator Walter—A bill making an appropriation of \$400,000 for 1916 and 1917 for the Michigan Soldiers' Home. This bill was also given immediate effect.

By Senator McPhillips—A bill making an appropriation of \$25,000 for the extension of water mains at the Michigan Soldiers' Home and \$17,000 for the purpose of refunding excess pension money to the members of the Soldiers' Home. This bill was given immediate effect.

By Senator Fitzgibbon—A bill to provide for the incorporation and

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