

VOTE ON BUYING PARK

Question of Purchase of Land Around Armory Will Be Decided November 7th.

The city commission at its meeting Monday decided to submit the proposition to bond the city for \$6,500 to purchase the land around the armory to the people at the coming election Nov. 7, in response to petitions presented four months ago to have the matter submitted at a special election in the early summer. The commission did not call the special election thinking the cost would be too much.

Thompson Grocery Sold.

Geo. S. Dickson of Mt. Pleasant, has purchased the L. H. Thompson grocery business on South Washington street, and will move to Owosso.

Owosso 10-Alma 0.

The Owosso high school foot ball team won a hard fought battle from Alma high Saturday, at Alma, the score being 10 to 0. The second team tied with Perry 6 to 6. Owosso plays at Mt. Pleasant, Saturday.

Geo. S. Brown Re-appointed.

Governor Ferris has reappointed for a three year term, Geo. S. Brown of Owosso, on the state board of examiners for barbers. He has been a good official and has served as secretary and president of the board very satisfactorily.

Want "Y" at Corunna Avenue.

The Michigan Railway Co. has asked for permission to install a "Y" at the corner of Corunna avenue and Washington street. This will probably be granted if the company guarantees the extra expense and do not delay the paving operations.

New Postmaster at Henderson.

The post office department after many months of delay has finally decided that Henderson could have a postmaster and has appointed Frank Lahman, who was the only applicant to take the civil service examination and who was notified several months ago that he passed a creditable examination. He is well qualified and with his experience in the office will see that the good service given patrons of that office for a number of years past is continued.

Makes an Easy \$100.

Louis Pardee, turnkey at the county jail, was out looking for auto speeders Tuesday when he saw a man whom he thought looked like some one whose photo he had seen in the sheriff's collection. He hailed the man and finding he had on prison clothes took him to be Charles Rittenhouse, an escaped convict from Jackson prison serving time for larceny. Mr. Pardee is entitled to \$100 reward for capturing the fellow.

Colored Man Loses.

After two trial in the circuit court and two appeals to the supreme court, the case of Clarence D. Gaines against the Grand Trunk Railway for \$5,000 damages for injuries while working in the yards at Durand is ended, the supreme court having affirmed Judge Gilday's ruling directing the jury to return a verdict of no cause for action. The accident happened in 1911, Gaines being severely injured in the face by the breaking of a gearing which he offered to help fix.

Given \$700 Verdict.

The jury in the case of Frances Blum, a Saginaw girl, against Almon L. Chase of Owosso, for damages, returned a verdict for \$700 in the circuit court Oct. 5, after five hours deliberation. The girl was struck by an auto driven by Mr. Chase as she alighted from a street car. The suit was for \$5,000 damages and was started over a year ago, but was delayed by Mr. Chase's injury by being struck by an automobile on Corunna avenue during the trial of the case.

MONEY ON A SHELF.

Rolls of Bills Which Was Reported Stolen Mysteriously Returns (or is Found Where it Was Left)

The roll of bills amounting to \$85 which Mrs. John Seckan claimed had been taken from under her mattress by her child and given to the five-year-old son of a neighbor, Mrs. Joe Schrevenangh, and kept by the latter, has been found on a shelf by an open window. Mrs. Schrevenangh was arrested but was discharged for lack of evidence and may commence suit for damages for malicious prosecution.

WANTED—Tag Alder in carload lots. Write for prices and specifications. E. I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co., Bay City, Mich.

Helps Himself to Auto.

While the owner, Charles Robinson of Morrice, watched him, a thief got into Mr. Robinson's automobile in front of the Elks' temple Tuesday evening, and drove the car away. Mr. Robinson reported the theft to Under Sheriff Sproule and an attempt was made to follow the man but he had disappeared.



ALBERT L. NICHOLS, Republican Candidate for County Clerk of Shiawassee County.

First Congregational Church.

The First Congregational church held a very enthusiastic and satisfactory annual meeting Wednesday evening. The reports of the officers showed that the church has never been in better financial condition.

Total receipts of the trustees' fund were over \$3,000.00 for current expenses. The Social Union, the Sunday school and other organizations raised for various purposes about \$1,600 of which a little over \$500 was devoted to missionary, benevolent and charitable objects. The total raised for all purposes will reach \$5,500 with a working balance in the treasury of each organization.

Interesting reports were presented by officers of the twelve departments showing sustained and systematic work and a broad range of interest in many forms of church work and Christian service.

W. A. Seegmiller, clerk of board of trustees, read the financial report which was followed by the election of three trustees. A. M. Bentley and J. C. Shattuck were elected to succeed themselves and W. A. Rosenkrans was elected to succeed J. B. Hurst who asked to be relieved. Superintendent R. N. Gibson reported for the Sunday school and was unanimously re-elected with a rising vote of thanks for his efficient service. Mrs. G. T. Campbell, treasurer of the Social Union, reported a most prosperous year with large earnings and valuable social service. Mrs. C. C. Duff and Mrs. Geo. Thompson spoke for the Woman's Missionary society. Miss Mabel Morgan for the Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Mary Maude Thompson for the Girls' Mission band, Rebecca L. Mattson for the Junior King's Daughters, Mr. Seegmiller for the Boy Scouts, Mrs. Mattson for the Camp Fire groups, Miss Kate Corlett for the Young People's Council and E. P. Vandewater for the Benevolent Committee. The clerk's report showed a marked gain in membership, sixty-five having been received during the year and a total of eighty for the thirteen months of the present pastorate.

With the adoption of the trustees' budget a substantial increase was added to the pastor's salary and unanimously approved. A number of repairs and improvements to the church building were provided for and others are in contemplation later in the year. The policy was approved to utilize the excellent church plant to the largest possible degree for many practical activities during the week days as well as on Sundays.

The pastor's annual message interpreting the life of the church for the past year was heard with great interest and received with applause. The following elections completed the official working force: Deacon M. H. Reynolds, deacon emeritus for life. Deacons G. L. Taylor and J. I. Mellick were re-elected and R. R. Hart was chosen to succeed Mr. Reynolds on the active board. Mrs. M. W. Southard was re-elected deaconess. Clerk E. H. Holmes, Treasurer E. P. Vandewater and Trustees Treasurer M. W. Southard were all re-elected to their respective offices. The committee on music is A. M. Bentley, chairman; J. C. Shattuck, Mrs. G. L. Cramer and E. O. Dewey.

Arrangements were announced to send a large delegation from the Sunday school to attend the county convention at Durand. A fine spirit of progress, hopefulness and good will marked this important meeting and the church looks forward to a fruitful year.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Annual Reports and Matters of Importance Considered.

The long session of the Shiawassee county board of supervisors opened Monday with every supervisor present. The yearly report of County Treasurer Richardson showing the expenditures and receipts monthly for the year was read, and referred to the committee on settlement with the treasurer. The report shows the funds to have more than \$10,000 more on hand than at this time last year.

The report of Purchasing Agent Nichols shows expenditures for office supplies, postage, printing, etc., to be \$3,083.15.

On Tuesday the board voted to appropriate \$500 to aid the Dorcas Home during the year 1917.

A contract was renewed with the Detroit house of correction to care for prisoners for 70c per day, the contract to run two years.

The county road commissioners' report showed \$38,697.25 expended on roads this year with \$15,942.33 received in state rewards, and \$11,177.76 received from the automobile tax money.

Under the new road assessment district law, 25 petitions have been received, covering 87 miles and hearing on 15 of the applications held and found necessary, covering 43 miles. Five contracts have been let under the new law, of which the county's share of tax is \$46,112.00. The rewards will be \$18,925. But \$17,065 of the tax will be spread this year. \$7,300 of 6 per cent bonds have been issued to secure money to go ahead with the work.

Wellington Duffy was re-elected janitor of the court house, Tuesday, at a salary of \$1000.

On Wednesday the buildings and grounds committee made its report showing \$2578 expended this year, \$376.38 or which was in permanent improvements at McCurdy park. The total appropriated under this committee's charge was \$3,000.

The soldiers' relief commission made its reports showing \$210 spent of the \$250 appropriated.

King's Daughters.

The closing session of the King's Daughters convention Friday, was one of the most interesting of the week. Rev. J. F. Green conducted devotional service, after which committee reports were received and acted upon and officers were announced as the result of the ballot. Miss Resh Buckley rendered a piano solo and Mrs. Norman Forman of Mt. Clemens, conducted a quiz. Mrs. C. A. Bishop took charge of the vespertine box. Officers elected are: President, Mrs. J. B. Lewis of Detroit; vice president, Mrs. Dewitt Hunt of St. Johns; recording secretary, Mrs. C. A. Bishop of Flint; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. A. Seegmiller of Owosso; chairman of hospital fund, Mrs. W. W. Brace of Ann Arbor; members of state board, Mrs. H. D. Wilson of Jackson, Mrs. A. A. Patterson of Flint, and Mrs. George Thompson of Owosso. The memorial and consecration service was conducted by Mrs. P. Conn of Durand, closing a most successful and helpful convention in the history of the Michigan branch.

Thursday evening Rev. W. R. Blanchford offered prayer and Mrs. Frank Kohler rendered a piano selection. R. N. Gibson sang "Adore and Be Still," and both were endorsed.

Dr. Herbert L. Willett's address on "Women and the World's Work," was one of the most forceful and instructive addresses ever given in this city, and was most thoroughly appreciated by the large number who heard it.

Interesting facts were brought out in connection with the reports of the state secretary and treasurer at the meeting Thursday morning. There are at present 74 circles in the state of Michigan with a total of 2,694 members. The reports of 60 of the 74 circles show \$9,201 was paid out last year for charity. The state treasurer was paid \$1014.20, and out of that sum \$741 was expended by her. Four new members were received into the order Thursday afternoon, two of them being Owosso women. There were 190 voting delegates present at the convention and 220 visitors and 230 were seated at the supper Wednesday evening.

Normal Class Organizes.

The Shiawassee County Normal class has organized for the year with the following officers: President, Miss Anna Mason; vice president, Miss Hazel Schmid; secretary, Miss Catherine Weber; treasurer, Miss Nellie Leatherman.

Members of the class were entertained Thursday evening by Miss Weber. A pot luck supper was served and games and music were among the diversions.

TEMPLAR DAY.

Parade and Drills by Seven Commanderies Knights Templar Make Pleasant and Profitable Day.

Over two hundred Knights Templar representing Lansing, Ionia, St. Johns, Corunna, Ithaca, Howell and Owosso, took part in the field day parade and drill at Owosso Friday. The visiting Knights arrived during the forenoon and after dinner at the new armory served to four hundred Knights, ladies and citizens, the parade was formed at Fayette square in charge of Grand Marshal E. S. Rankin assisted by Adjutant Knight J. O. Parker of Owosso, and S. H. Jones of Lansing, and seven aides, one from each commandery. The passion cross was formed and passed Grand Commander Aldrich, Grand Prelate Rev. Emil Montanus, Grand Standard Bearer R. G. Brownson, Grand Recorder G. T. Campbell and Grand Treasurer C. H. Pomeroy, at the corner of Washington and Mason streets, after which the parade continued to Athletic park, where the commanderies passed in review before Grand Commander Aldrich. Following this the commanderies were massed and Grand Prelate Montanus offered a prayer for universal peace. Exhibition drills followed which were most excellent and highly enjoyed by the hundreds of spectators.

After returning to the armory supper was served. Music by the Owosso combined band of twenty-five pieces, and dancing were enjoyed until the departure of the visitors.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Judge Miner Monday, made an order releasing Andrew Frederickson, of Muskegon, from jail. Frederickson has been confined for the past two weeks because of failure to pay alimony. The court ordered Frederickson to pay \$1.50 a week for one year, starting Jan. 1, 1916, for the support of his son, Earl Frederickson.

Frederickson was back \$170. He testified in court Monday that he did not know for six years that he was supposed to pay alimony. He has a wife and three children in Muskegon and is crippled as a result of a railroad accident.

Two young men were released from probation Monday. They were Floyd Haggerty of Laingsburg, and LaVerne Johnson of Bancroft, who violated the local option law two years ago. The court acted on the recommendation of the county probation officer.

A motion for a new trial was made in the slander case of Guy Rohrabacher against Larkus Ash of Laingsburg. The court denied the motion. Mr. Rohrabacher sued for \$5,000, alleging that Mr. Ash said that he stole a load of brick. The jury returned a verdict of no cause of action.

Foreclosure was taken in the case of George Peach against William Sims, et al., of Bancroft. Mr. Peach holds a mortgage of about \$700 on a building used as a moving picture house in Bancroft. Mr. Sims whereabouts are unknown. The property will be sold Nov. 1, 1916, if the mortgage is not paid by that time.

"Around the World Boys' Home.

Irving Schultz and Joe Collard, the Owosso boys who left for a trip around the world Sunday and were picked up by police in Chicago are back in school in Owosso. The trip was to be made on \$73 found by one of the boys and which it is claimed was lost by Charles Drees. The boys had \$43 left when they were picked up by officers. Young Schultz wrote to his mother from Grand Rapids and from Chicago.

"Home Rule" That Is Not True To Its Name

The hope of the wet forces in this state is to begot the voters by having the so called "Home Rule" proposition submitted November 7.

Now this proposed "Home Rule" is nothing but a scheme to disfranchise the farmers of Michigan in settling the question of "saloon" or "no saloon." If it carries, then each village and city in this state will decide by vote of the people who live within its limits whether or not saloons will be licensed within that city or village. A more unjust or unfair proposition could not be conceived.

That proposition carries the idea that only the people who live in a village or city are concerned or have a right to be concerned about whether saloons are

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Hughes in Saginaw and Flint.

Charles E. Hughes, republican candidate for president, will speak in Saginaw Thursday morning, Oct. 19th, and at Flint at noon on the same day. This will give Shiawassee people an opportunity to hear him at one point or the other.



BERT S. GRIFFEN, Republican Candidate for Sheriff of Shiawassee County.

State Wide Prohibition.

M. J. Fanning, a noted temperance speaker for forty years or more, addressed a well attended meeting held in New Haven, Monday afternoon under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. He struck telling blows against the attempt of the "wets" to foist "home rule" on the people of Michigan.

On Wednesday next, beginning at 10:30 a. m. in the First M. E. church, this city, the County Committee for State wide prohibition will hold an important conference. H. H. Rood of Lansing, district superintendent, will be present, together with the members of the committee and other workers from all parts of the county. Luncheon will be served at noon by the ladies of the church.

Hon. H. R. Pattengill of Lansing, better known as "Pat," will speak in the M. E. church at New Lothrop on Wednesday evening, Oct. 18th. It is useless to say that the message will be well worth hearing as few men in Michigan are his equal as convincing orators.

Application has been made by Earl Martin of Victor township, Clinton county, to have his mother, Mrs. Ann Martin of Laingsburg, examined as to her sanity. She talks almost constantly and has made threats against neighbors.

REPUBLICAN MEETING

Senator C. E. Townsend addressed a fairly good audience in the armory last evening despite the hard rain just at the time for the meeting to begin. While it was his first address in the campaign and he was physically not able to speak and did so against the advice of his doctor, he gave a short but unusually effective talk. He riddled the claim of the democrats that Pres. Wilson has kept us out of war and said if any one should be given credit along this line it was the Germany Emperor; however, it was his belief that Germany never had any idea of making trouble for this nation, and now wishes to continue the pleasant relations which have always existed, except that when the war is over Germany will probably enter into a first-class conflict with us for the American markets—the best in the world. He was also quite severe in criticizing the Administration for the situation which exists and has existed for many months regarding Mexico and did not hesitate to state that with a man in the office like Mr. Hughes or any good American with some determination and who did not alter his views and policy with every new sun, that Mexico would be better off and that the U. S. would not be on unfriendly terms with that country. Mr. Wilson's uncertain attitude on almost every matter of importance had been and would continue to be to the disadvantage of this country if he should be re-elected because he had been on both sides at some time while he had been in office, citing a number of instances to substantiate his charge. County Chairman Collins presided at the meeting.

Owosso Lodge of Elks started the fall and winter working season by initiating two candidates Tuesday evening, Dr. C. A. Sackrider of Owosso, and Herbert Bailey of Corunna. A banquet with a short program followed, N. R. Walsh presiding. A. L. Nichols gave a report of his trip to the Grand Lodge at Baltimore, Earl Rexford sang, and Hugh Nichols spoke briefly.

Miss Frances Jones was in Lansing attending the library convention, Wednesday. She also witnessed "Experience" at the Gladmer theatre.

Nina Moore of Shiawassee township, has been ordered by Judge Bush to be taken to the University hospital for medical treatment.

Therefore every one who wants a dry Michigan should vote [X] "Yes" on State Wide Prohibition, and [X] "No" on Wet Home Rule.