

Wichman-Fromm.

Frederick Wichman, of Saginaw, and Mrs. Frederick Fromm, a widow residing on a farm north of Owosso, were united in marriage Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at Salems Lutheran church. They were attended. Rev. T. G. Hahn officiated. The groom is a carpenter and contractor. They will make their home in Flint.

Heating Plant Needed.

The heating plant at the Central school building is practically useless and must be replaced this year according to opinion of furnace experts. The cost will be about \$14,000 and the amount will probably be raised this year, although bonds payable each year for five years may be sold to provide for this necessity.

Ladies' Guild.

The Ladies' Guild of Christ Episcopal Church, at its annual meeting Wednesday elected the following officers: President, Mrs. F. M. Crowe; vice presidents, Mrs. E. B. Hoffman, Mrs. B. L. Axford; secretary, Mrs. F. J. Storrer; treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Whitehead. The Guild had a very successful year raising nearly \$800 for various purposes and has plans for a busy year ahead.

Genesee Association

The Genesee Association of Congregational churches, including the membership of 27 churches, each of which regularly sends two delegates besides the pastor, will be held in the Congregational church in Owosso April 24 and 25. Sessions will be held Tuesday afternoon and evening and Wednesday morning. Members of the Owosso church will extend a cordial welcome to the visitors.

Want More Pay.

Owosso firemen are asking the city to give them an increase from \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70 and \$80 a month to \$65 to \$90, according to grade, and policemen ask for increases from \$16.75 for patrolmen to \$18, and from \$17.50 to \$20 for the chief of police. The men give the increased cost of living and the seven days a week service and long hours as the reason for the increase.

St. Agnes Guild Annual Meeting

St. Agnes Guild held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. E. D. Martin, 321 East Exchange street, on Tuesday evening. A pot-luck supper was served at six o'clock, followed by a delightful social hour. Reports were read of the activities of the last year, which showed the society was in a flourishing condition. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Addie Crowe; first vice president, Miss Jennie Copas; second vice president, Miss Ottila Tick; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Brown; assistant secretary, Mrs. J. Harris; treasurer, Mrs. F. S. Fritz.

Dynamite Found In Lumber Yard.

Two sticks of dynamite were found in the Woodard lumber yards Wednesday by George Willis, while cleaning up small pieces of lumber in a narrow alleyway between two piles of lumber. It was thought that tracks from the Grand Trunk depot to the spot showed that the explosive had been placed there the night before. No one believes that the person who placed the dynamite there had any intention of using it on the factory, but that some having the stuff on his person desired to get rid of it. C. D. Bell has purchased the home of E. S. Waterman on Ada street and the lots north and south and will add to the home and make other improvements to the property.

Patriotic Meeting.

A hastily arranged but successful patriotic meeting of the citizens of Owosso was held at the armory last evening and was attended by an audience filling the building. The meeting was presided by a parade of civil war veterans, boy scouts, high school cadets and two bands.

At the armory Mayor Wright presided, Rev. J. F. Green offered prayer, Miss Seraphine Dimmick gave a patriotic reading, Leo Adams sang, America was sung by the audience, a life and drum corps played martial music and addresses were made by Capt. J. H. Steck, Majors D. D. Pepper, D. N. Traus and M. J. Phillip, and Prof. O. H. Voelker.

Robert Cheal left Wednesday for Sioux Falls, Iowa, to visit his son.

FIELDS COMPANY BEGINS OPERATIONS

Shipping of Product Starts Immediately.—Will Employ 100 Men Now.

The Fields Manufacturing Company which recently moved here from Ionia, will begin shipping out truck bodies this week, according to C. C. Chamberlain, superintendent. The company now has about 50 men at work, some of them installing machinery and others manning the machines that have been installed and put into operation.

The company manufactures a half ton truck body for the Republic Truck Co., at Alma, and in addition makes side-cars for motorcycles, and shells and also hoods for Ford automobiles. It uses an immense amount of lumber as well as steel in its products and a planing mill and wood department is part of its plant. Twenty-eight carloads of machinery and material were brought here from Ionia. Considering the time that the men have been at work installing machinery, the results have been very satisfactory to Supt. Chamberlain.

The company plans to utilize the entire plant. The heavier machinery is located on the first floor. About 100 men were employed by the company at Ionia, but this number will be increased here as the company is behind with its orders and is anxious to catch up as soon as possible. One of the reasons that it moved here was that the plant it had at Ionia was not large enough to permit the employment of more men.

START WORK MONDAY

Biggam Trailer Corporation Will Increase Force When Material Arrives.

H. F. Biggam and the other officers of the Biggam Trailer Corporation have arrived in Corunna and with a force of men are preparing to start manufacturing in the old Fox & Mason and Corunna Furniture Co. plants at Corunna Monday. About 30 men will be employed at first, the force being increased to 75 or more as fast as material arrives.

The officers of the company who will live in Corunna are H. H. Biggam, president; H. F. Biggam, Jr., secretary; P. M. Cone, treasurer; Henry Bradley, superintendent of trailers; J. D. Kineaid, traffic manager; J. Hartley, chief draftsman.

Co. H Men Promoted.

According to Detroit dispatches six members of Co. H, Thirty-third Michigan regiment, have been given promotions during the past few days. The promotions followed the discharge of several members who have dependents.

Arthur Patterson, a corporal, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant, while Herbert Allen has been promoted from private first class to sergeant. Ousel Harris has been promoted from private first class to corporal and John Quinn from private to corporal. Ralph Tejekl has been promoted from private first class to corporal. Corporal Carl Burkhardt has been given the rank of sergeant.

Eastern Star Celebration.

Abigail Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, is planning a function for Tuesday, April 24, when the annual round-up, including installation of officers, will occur.

Among the representatives of the Grand Chapter expected are Miss Minnie Grace Kenyon, grand worthy matron; Wm. Quackenbush, grand worthy patron; G. Roscoe Swift, associate grand patron; Mrs. Eva J. Snow, grand conductress; Mrs. Gertrude Parkhurst, grand associate conductress; Mrs. Jennie Newell, grand treasurer; Mrs. Eva Sprague Goodrich, grand secretary, and several other distinguished members of the order.

Mrs. Ida M. Hume of this city, associate grand matron, will share the honors of the grand officers. Indeed, it is largely out of consideration for her that so many officers of the line are planning to be present.

WILL BUILD WAREHOUSE.

Young-Randolph Seed Co. Buys Land For New Building.

The Young-Randolph Seed Co., who recently sold the old carriage plant to the Field Mfg. Co., has purchased ground south of Huron street between Michigan avenue and Shiawassee street and will begin the erection of a fine warehouse and office building, for the company in the near future.



Under this flag 100,000,000 AMERICANS unite against tyranny.

Jurors for May Term.

The May circuit jury was drawn Monday, 28 jurors as usual, being selected. Judge Miner has stated that he will excuse all farmers who desire to remain on their farms, rather than serve on the jury. The jury will gather Tuesday, May 8th, although court will open May 7th. The jury is as follows:

- Owosso, 4th ward.....Frank Ketcham
- Owosso, 5th ward.....Chas. Terry Perry
-L. G. Rothney
- Rush.....George Welsh
- Sciota.....N. W. Tucker
- Shiawassee.....W. P. Kinney
- Venice.....Willis Baker
- Vernon.....B. Petty
- Woodhull.....Marion Leonard
- Antrim.....M. W. Castree
- Bennington.....Charles Schweikert
- Caledonia.....Florence Waldworth
- Corunna, 1st ward.....L. A. Burhans
- Corunna, 2nd ward.....Lester Foss
- Corunna, 3rd ward.....W. H. Post
- Fairfield.....C. M. Randall
- Hazelton.....Myron Hanchett
- Middlebury.....Charles Simpson
- New Haven.....Otis Cook
- Owosso township.....Gottlieb Krause
- Owosso, 1st ward.....Thomas J. Stubbs
- Owosso, 2nd ward.....Ernest R. Stowell
- Owosso, 3rd ward.....L. H. Norton
- Owosso, 4th ward.....Arthur Watts
- Owosso, 5th ward.....Bert Gilfill
- Perry.....C. E. Robbins
- Rush.....George Drown

King's Daughters Entertain Men.

Owosso Circle of King's Daughters were hostesses April 13 to the husbands and fathers of the members at a pot-luck supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Lawrence Oliver street. After the supper and a business session, at which sixteen were admitted to membership. Rev. E. J. Warren conducted devotional services. A building committee consisting of A. H. Northway, F. M. Crowe, W. L. Vreeland, W. A. Seegmiller, Harry E. Payne and their wives was appointed to supervise the building of the addition to the Dorcas Home.

Music, reports and talks by Mrs. F. M. Crowe on the history of the Dorcas Home, Mrs. M. L. Izor on the history of the King's Daughters Society, Rev. W. R. Blackford, and a social hour made an exceedingly pleasant evening.

Would Use Vacant Lots.

Mayor Wright is sending out the following letter to persons living out of town, who own vacant property in Owosso:

Dear Sir: Owing to the high cost of living the city is using every effort to secure vacant property for the benefit of all those who wish it.

We therefore appeal to you for the use of your vacant property in this city for that use. The purpose is a loyal one and a necessary and shows a spirit of unity to meet the grave situation.

If you can grant the above request, please notify us on the enclosed card for which we will feel very grateful. Thanking you in advance, I am, Respectfully,

A. T. WRIGHT, Mayor.

P. S.—We agree to care for all the weeds on your property.

Deeds Given for Corunna Factories.

The actual transfer of the Fox & Mason furniture plants in Corunna to the new owners was made Monday, the consideration being named as \$21,000. Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Zoerner of Arcadia, were the former owners. W. J. Parker appears as purchaser for the Biggam Trailer Corporation, which will use the plants with a large force of men in the near future.

J. B. Blagdon, general manager of the American Malleables Co., was here from Lancaster, N. Y., Tuesday and Wednesday.

J. D. Leland of Corunna, is home from a stay of several months with his daughter at Menominee, Wis.

Owosso-Flint Electric Line.

While about 75 per cent of the right of way for the extension of the electric line from Owosso to Flint has been secured, it seems probable that suits to condemn a portion of the balance will have to be commenced although it is hoped this may be avoided. No one along the line has indicated any opposition to the line running across their farm but a number are holding out for a larger purchase price for the right of way. Every few days' delay now means the postponement of the construction and with the present demand for steel, may prevent the company from purchasing the rails or other material in time to assure its delivery for use early next spring. The plan has been to begin grading this summer as soon as the harvest is over and to continue work all winter, thus giving the roadbed ample time to settle before the work of laying the rails was commenced. This may have to be given up if the property owners fail to sell the needed land and the company is obliged to start legal proceedings to get across the farms not already covered by options. In this connection it might be stated that cases were started in the Calhoun circuit court this week against 48 property owners to condemn the right of way for a line in Battle Creek. It is safe to predict that the railway will get its right of way at a largely reduced figure from that demanded.

Telephone Companies Win

Our readers will recall the suits commenced by Odell Chapman and Fred Northway against the Union Telephone Co., restraining them from collecting a penalty of fifty cents for the non-payment in advance of telephone rentals, which were later dropped upon the death of these gentlemen. A similar case recently reached the supreme court from another city and the court upheld the right of the company to impose such a penalty. The attorneys for the Union Telephone Co. never had the slightest question as to the right to collect an additional sum above the regular rental if payment was not made in accordance with the rules of the company.

FOR IMMEDIATE PROHIBITION

Owosso Citizens Urge Legislation To Help War Preparedness.

At the second union Sunday evening meeting of Owosso churches at the First Methodist church Sunday evening the two thousand present voted unanimously to telegraph the governor of the state asking that if possible the legislature be kept in session long enough to pass a statewide prohibition bill becoming effective immediately. A telegram was sent to W. K. Prudden, of Lansing, of the war preparedness commission, as to the action.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. John G. Benson, of Detroit, social engineer of the Detroit M. E. church area and was a strong plea for community co-operation in religious work and an appeal to christian people to spread christianity by personal contact and service.

Dr. Benson concluded with an appeal for a constructive program by churches, that will attract the young people. He declared that sin is made attractive and that Christianity must be made more attractive to them. He also asked that churches subsidize human interest for the Kingdom, and that like people, be mobilized in the church for like purposes.

The speaker spoke in terms of high praise of the gathering, declaring that in all his travels about the state he had never seen such a spirit of unity of purpose as was demonstrated by the service Sunday night.

Rev. E. J. Warren of the First M. E. church, presided in the absence of Rev. Waite who was helping in the union service at Corunna. With Rev. Warren and Dr. Benson, on the platform, were Revs. Mattson, Wallace and Dudgeon. Rev. Mr. Wallace offered prayer and Rev. Dudgeon read from the scriptures. Dr. Mattson also prayed. A choir representing different churches rendered excellent music, and Cecil Rhodes rendered a violin solo. The services were closed by the congregation joining in the singing of America.

Friends here have received announcements from Mr. and Mrs. Tol Kincaid of Cleveland, Ohio, of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Alice McHardy, to William Edwin Byrnes. The nuptials were solemnized in Cleveland, Tuesday, April 17.

RUSH WAR PREPARATIONS

United States and State Governments Make Big Appropriations—Allies Winning Big Battles—South Americans Will Be Against Germany.

Active and unceasing preparations are being pushed by the United States government to put the country in position not only to defend itself against attack on land and sea but to send ships and men if necessary to any part of the world. All naval work is going ahead faster than ever in the world's history, the army recruiting is being pushed everywhere, men are being drilled in all sorts of institutions, students are taking up training, women of the land are engaged in Red Cross work, every state and community is helping by arranging to plant all vacant property, help the farmers in securing labor to provide food supplies; conservation of present supplies is being demanded; economies never known before are being practised and the entire people are showing a willingness to help in every way possible.

The French and English allied armies are making wonderful gains on the French front in battles that are constantly making the German hold on foreign territory less and driving them to the point where their own territory will soon hold foreign troops, thousands of prisoners are being taken by the Allies, the German food supply is becoming so serious that their position is a desperate one. The submarine campaign of Germany has failed to accomplish anything during the past week, and the entrance of the United States has given new life and hope to the world of a quick conclusion of the terrible war.

South American republics are showing the proper spirit and will undoubtedly all be aiding the Allies and the United States in a few weeks if necessary.

HERE ARE RULES THAT GOVERN THE DISPLAY OF FLAG

Several Dates in List That Are Seldom Commemorated, According to Supt. of War Records.

Since the country has been thrown into a state of excitement over the war with Germany, many citizens in all parts of the city have shown their position by displaying the Stars and Stripes prominently, and a few rules governing the display of the flag might not go amiss. The data was gathered from the "Stars and Stripes" edited by Charles W. Stewart, superintendent of the library and naval war records at Washington.

The following official regulations govern the use and display of the national emblem:

On Memorial day, May 30, the flag should fly at half staff from sunrise to noon, and at full staff from noon to sunset. The flag should first be raised to full staff and then lowered to half staff. The flag should not be hoisted before sunrise, nor be allowed to remain up after sunset.

The flag should never be allowed to touch the ground, and should never be raised or lowered by any mechanical appliance.

National Flag on Right.

When the national and state, or other flags fly together, the national flag should be on the right.

When the flag is flown at half staff, as a sign of mourning, it should be hoisted to full staff at the conclusion of the funeral.

When possible, the flag should be flown from a staff or mast, but should not be fastened to the side of a building, platform or scaffolding. It should not be used as the cover over a table, desk or box, or where anything can be set or placed upon the flag.

When the flag is used as a banner the union should fly to the north in streets running east and west, and to the east on streets running north and south.

When flags are used in unveiling a statue or monument, they should not be allowed to fall to the ground, but should be carried aloft to wave out, forming a distinctive feature during the remainder of the ceremony.

Union the Blue Ground.

The "Union" is the blue ground, covered with stars, each state having its star fixed by its number in the order of admission to the Union.

A flag should never be hoisted with the stars at the outer side, but always next to the staff, except in cases where the owner wishes to give a distress signal.

When the national colors are passing on parade or review, the spectators should, if walking halt; and if sitting, rise and stand at attention and uncover.

The "Star Spangled Banner" is the national anthem of the United States by act of congress. The military regulations prescribe that when the national anthem of any country is played at official occasions, persons of the military service not in formation shall stand at attention facing the music. In uniform or civilian clothes uncovered they shall salute during the playing; if in civilian clothes covered, hold the headdress opposite the left shoulder (in inclement weather slightly raised.)

The national anthem is not to be played as part of a medley nor to be repeated by an army band.

Red at Top, Blue at Bottom.

Bunting, for decorations, should be placed with the red at the top, white below and blue at the bottom.

A flag used as a street banner, should be hung across the street at an equal distance between curbs.

To display the flag at half mast, in case of national mourning or other calamity, the proper way is to raise it to the top then lower it a little. Before it is lowered, it is proper to raise the flag first to the top.

On the death of a president, the flag should be displayed only one day at half mast, according to regulation.

The flag is at half mast only half a day, Memorial day. At midday, the flag is raised to the top of the staff where it remains until sunset.

June 14, the anniversary of the adoption of the flag, is Flag day.

The flag should be displayed on the following days: Lincoln's birthday, February 12; Washington's birthday, February 22; Inauguration day, Mar. 4; Battle of Lexington, April 19; Battle of Manila bay, May 1; Mother's day, second Sunday in May; Memorial day (half staff until noon), May 30; Flag day, June 14; Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17; Independence day, July 4; Labor day, first Monday in September; Lake Erie day, September 10; Lake Champlain day, September 11; John Paul Jones day, September 23; Battle of Saratoga, October 17; Surrender at Yorktown, October 19.