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## Fair and Races August 23-25

At a recent meeting of the stewards of the Michigan Short Ship Circuit at Owosso, Michigan, was given the dates August 23, 24, 25, and 26th which will be Owosso Fair week this year. There were several other Michigan cities after this week but the officials of the circuit liked the Owosso and Owosso transportation facilities best.

## Honor State Regent.

The executive committee of Shiawassee Chapter of the D. A. R. observed Washington's birthday entertaining the State Regent of the D. A. R., Miss Louise McDuffee of Kalamazoo, at luncheon Wednesday afternoon.

The home of Mrs. Fredrick Gould, North Washington street, was opened to all members of Shiawassee Chapter Wednesday afternoon. At two thirty a reception and high tea was given at the home of Mrs. Gould, complimenting the State Regent and the newly elected daughters. Members of other chapters were invited to attend and meet Miss McDuffee.

## Site for Canning Factory Bought

Fred M. Crowe, field man for the Owosso Canning Co., the coming of which to this city is now assured, announces that he has been authorized to seek a site for the plant and has conferred with the industrial committee of the Chamber of Commerce. It is desired to start work on the plant by March 1 and have it completed in time for the canning of peas in June.

The plant will cost \$150,000 and mostly women will be employed. The company's pay roll however, will run to many thousands of dollars annually.

The sale of stock has not yet been completed but enough has been sold to assure the plant for Owosso.

## Aks \$20,000 for Alienating Affections

Two lawsuits for damages aggregating \$20,000 have been filed in circuit court by Attorney W. J. Parker, of Corunna, for Mrs. Katherine Goen, of Perry.

She is suing Mrs. Nina Roosa for \$10,000 for the alleged alienation of the affections of her husband, and is suing Arthur Roosa, husband of Nina, for \$10,000 for alleged slander.

According to Mrs. Goen's attorney, Mrs. Goen alleges that Mrs. Roosa has been "running after" Goen and has stolen his affections, although Goen and his wife are still living together. She also alleges that Roosa called her slanderous names before others.

Mr. and Mrs. Goen are around 50 years of age and Mr. and Mrs. Roosa are about 40.

## Death of William Hicks

William Hicks, janitor at the Bryant School, died at his home in the Bryant school building Saturday afternoon, at the age of 62 years. He had been in poor health since the holidays, but it was not considered as serious until a few days before his death.

Mr. Hicks was born in Canada on December 4, 1858. With his parents, he came to the vicinity of Ovid when about two years old, where he spent his youth. He was conductor on the city street car line here for nearly ten years.

The deceased is survived by a wife and three children, Eve, Hugh and Frances, and one sister, Mrs. William Lowery, of Clare.

The funeral was held from the funeral parlors of Jennings and Son, Rev. B. A. Orampton, officiating.

## Death of Felix Bagin

Felix Bagin, 83 years old, a pioneer farmer of Shiawassee county, well known in the eastern part of the county, as well as in Owosso, died at his home Saturday night at 7 o'clock. Mr. Bagin suffered a stroke of paralysis on July 5, 1919.

Mr. Bagin was born in Ireland and came to America when about 21 years of age. He spent a year in Canada and then came to Durand, where he remained for two years. 53 years ago he purchased the farm in Caledonia township and had lived there since.

Mr. Bagin was a fine old gentleman, liked by everyone who knew him, and a man who was never known to speak ill of anyone. He was a faithful member of St. Paul's Catholic church, and the funeral services were held there Tuesday morning.

Surviving Mr. Bagin are three sons, John, of Caledonia, Daniel of Shiawassee, and Phillip of Toledo, and two daughters, Mrs. James Riley, with whom he lived, and Mrs. Michael Parcell, of Owosso.

## Woman's Club

The Woman's club held a very pleasant meeting at the club rooms February 17. Earnest Hayward gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Art in Household Decoration." He gave the women many ideas on the fundamentals of beauty and harmony in decorating and furnishing a room. Mrs. Bernice Schramm, who took the place of Mrs. May Byerly, on the program, had great difficulties in obtaining material, but finally found some very interesting facts about "Early American Furniture and Cabinet Makers." Mrs. Clara Rayen read a strong plea for good pictures in the home, and showed reproductions of many splendid pictures by great masters. A vocal solo by Mrs. Mary Watson and a piano solo and encore by Miss Betty Pulver was very much enjoyed.

## Democrats Elect Delegates

The democrats of Shiawassee county held their spring convention at the armory Friday, elected delegates to the state convention in Jackson, this week and chose their county committee. The convention was short. No resolutions were adopted and little speaking done.

The delegates to the state convention were: W. A. Seegmiller, John R. Clarke, John H. Brandel, Fred Ferguson, Frank Meyers, Henry Johnson, James McNamee, L. G. Heyer, Frank Baese, Lola K. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCartney, Jennie Wiggins, Frank Pierce, Scott Rundell, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Harry Eesley, George Winegar, Sr., James Lynch, Dr. R. C. Fair, C. D. Smith, E. J. Cady, Fred M. Crowe, Guy Braden and Fred Craig.

W. A. Seegmiller was elected chairman, John R. Clarke secretary and Mrs. Harry Eesley, treasurer, of the county committee.

## Car Which Carried Liquor to Be Sold

The first car confiscated by the authorities in this county under the statute which permits the seizure and sale of automobiles used in transporting liquor, will be sold at auction in front of the county jail on Saturday morning, Feb. 26, at 10 o'clock it is announced by Prosecutor Matthews and Sheriff Sproule.

The car is a Ford coupe, 1920 model, equipped with a starter, taken from J. W. Hillis, when he was arrested Dec. 24, with 15 quarts of whiskey, which he had brought from Detroit. The machine has been in the county garage since Hillis attempted to get the car back but was denied it. Another Ford car owned by Leon Hillis, cousin of J. W. Hillis, is held by the authorities and will be sold later. It was confiscated when several quarts of whiskey were found in it.

The United States supreme court recently upheld the constitutionality of the federal statute authorizing the confiscation of cars used in transportation of liquor.

## Rev. W. F. Jerome Accepts Rectorship

Rev. William F. Jerome of Hillsdale, has accepted a call to become rector of the Episcopal church here and assumed his new pastorate Sunday. He has been serving as supply rector for about two months.

Rev. Mr. Jerome's last pastorate was at Hillsdale, where he now resides. He was overseas as Y. M. C. A. worker and contracted an infection which confined him to a hospital for 17 months after he returned to America. Not feeling physically strong enough to take a church, he accepted a position in the office of the Secretary of State where he has been working since. He has virtually recovered his strength and will devote all of his time to the church work. It is unlikely however that he will move here until June as his daughter will complete her school year at Hillsdale college. He also has a grown son in college.

The new rector comes here with a reputation of being an effective church worker and organizer, as well as a brilliant speaker, and a deep student. He served in the state legislature from Hillsdale and at one time was mayor of Algonic. He is a Mason, Knight Templar and Past Grand Master of Michigan Odd Fellows.

S. M. Harding, of Owosso, was called to Corunna last Thursday by Justice Nichols who had released him long enough to obtain some money and paid courts for failure to send his children to school. The court ordered Harding to see that the children were cleaned up and kept clean. Their teacher complained that they were not kept clean. He also warned Harding that unless the children were given proper care and kept in school regularly Harding was in for trouble.

## Urges Appropriation for Dry Law Enforcement

The Owosso Central W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Turnbull, West Williams street, Friday afternoon.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Hale, with Mrs. Johnson in charge of devotionals. The members voted to send the following telegram to Senators Townsend and Newberry: "We, the members of Owosso Central Woman's Christian Temperance Union, approximately 300 women, respectfully urge you to vote for the required amount asked by the Dry Law Enforcement Department to finish the year's work."

No cut on the appropriation bill please." The result of the election of officers was: Pres., Mrs. Hale; vice-pres. at large, Mrs. Coon; sec., Maude Crambell; treas., Ida Sidman; cor.-sec., Myrtle Parker; first vice-pres., Mrs. Cook; second vice-pres., Mrs. King; third vice-pres., Mrs. Beebe; fourth vice-pres., Mrs. Klirk; fifth vice-pres., Mrs. Ross; sixth vice-pres., Mrs. McKenzie; seventh vice-pres., Mrs. Waugh; sup. Flower Mission, Mrs. Cook; sup. Evangelistic Dept., Mrs. Johnson; sup. National Guard and Child Welfare, Mrs. McKenzie; sup. Anti Narcotic, Sarah Rathbun; sup. Americanization, Mrs. Wiggins; sup. World Prohibition, Mrs. Patee; sup. Women in Industry, Mrs. Turnbull; sup. Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Getman; press cor. and pianist, Myrtle Parker.

## Death of Miss Mary Brewer

Miss Mary Brewer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burns Brewer, died Friday at the family home on West Oliver street. Miss Brewer had been in poor health for the past three years, having been compelled to give up her duties as teacher in the city schools by failing health. Since that time she has been under treatment by specialists in Detroit and Battle Creek sanitariums, but to no avail.

Miss Brewer was born in Bennington township in 1867 and had spent all of her life in Bennington and Owosso. She taught in the city schools at various times for 20 years. She was a charter member of the Woman's Club and was for years very active in its affairs as well as taking an active part in numerous other clubs and in the Congregational church.

Surviving Miss Brewer are her parents, one sister, Mrs. Calvin B. Bentley, and two brothers, E. S. and Lester Brewer, of this city.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, Rev. Walter B. Denny officiating.

James Edgar Bell, of Manistee county, and Mrs. Emma Ackerman, of Corunna, were united in marriage by Rev. A. G. Blood, at Corunna, Feb. 15.

Damage estimated by Chief Howell at \$500 was done by fire and water to the home of F. B. Harrington, North Shiawassee street today.

H. H. Lyon, W. G. Cobb, G. M. Dewey, E. H. Stanard and Karl Welte, representing Owosso Lodge of Elks, attended the reception and banquet to the Grand Exalted Ruler, at Detroit, Wednesday.

The Bell Isle Creamery Co., successors to the United Dairies Co. has begun the manufacture of cream cheese and is putting it on the local market as well as shipping it. Between 300 and 500 pounds are being made daily and over three tons have been shipped.

A telegram announcing the death of Byron F. Butterfield, in Los Angeles, Cal., was received Monday by his sisters, Mrs. J. H. Laverock and Mrs. F. A. Tudeno. Mr. Butterfield spent his boyhood days in Owosso and will be remembered by many of the older residents.

A loss of several hundred dollars was sustained and one man was overcome by smoke and had to have medical attention, Friday in a fire that broke out in the garage of the Owosso Baking Co. on Howard street. The tops of two Reo trucks were ruined, a third one not mounted on a truck was damaged. Fireman Gordon inhaled smoke and gas in trying to get the cars out and became very sick.

Lewis Beyers, 26, was arrested by Patrolman John Martin Friday and arraigned during the morning on a charge of stealing \$110 from Edward Taylor, some weeks ago. Taylor claimed that Beyers took the money from his pocket while in restaurant and promised to return it later. When Taylor tried to find Beyers, he was gone, and a search by the police failed to locate him. Beyers was found Friday in a hotel in West Owosso. He said, according to the police, that he had been in Detroit. He denies the theft and will have an examination on March 1.

## SEVERAL LIQUOR LAW VIOLATORS TAKEN IN RAID

Swooping down on the soft drink parlors, as well as private homes, the owners of which were suspected of making and selling liquor, six members of the Michigan State police and the entire membership of the sheriff's force, Saturday night, searched 14 places in Owosso, locked up five persons, and secured evidence on which other arrests were to be made.

The arrests made were: Mrs. Charles H. Gault, 310 East Comstock street.

Mrs. Elizabeth Toth, Howard and South Washington streets.

Ignatz Latonski, 1411 Henry street.

Charles Fraley, Howard and South Washington streets.

Merwin Roache, west Main street.

As fast as any arrests were made and evidence seized the persons arrested and witnesses were taken with evidence to the office of Prosecuting Attorney Matthews who was directing the raids.

They were examined and sent to jail or to their homes. A number held as witnesses were released later.

All the evidence seized was sealed and an identification tag placed on it by the officers making the arrests, at the prosecutor's office.

In addition to the places named several stores in west Owosso were searched and several private homes, which yielded nothing. The son of one foreigner whose house was searched told the officer that a tip of what was going on was telephoned to them. Despite the fact, however, that several were tipped off, seven out of the first eight places raided yielded incriminating evidence.

The officers had 17 warrants and searched 14 places.

Officers who participated in the raids were Serge Black and Mulbar, Corp. Cameron, and Troopers Sheridan, Dunaske and Wise, of the state police, and Under Sheriff Pardee, and Deputies Taylor, Fries, Robinson and Wellington Duffey.

Officers armed with 17 search warrants which they had secured during the afternoon in Corunna, started out at 7 o'clock. They divided into groups of three and raided several places simultaneously. When they entered a place they locked the doors and permitted no one to leave until the search was completed. Despite their vigilance, however, news of raids spread quickly and the owners of several places for which the officers had search warrants and which they intended to search, were tipped off and if they had any contraband, they got rid of it before the officers got to them.

Serge. Sheridan and Mulbar had been here in plain clothes for a week past. They have not been here all of the time, but have alternated, one being here part of the time and the other the rest of the time. They were given tips by the sheriff's department.

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## Pioneer Society

Charles Whelan was elected president of the Shiawassee County Pioneer and Historical Society at the annual all-day meeting of the organization held Tuesday at the court house. Other officers elected were A. W. Burnett, vice-president; Mrs. Frank McCartney, secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Etta Killian, historian.

The society adopted a resolution urging the board of supervisors to appropriate funds for marking the site of the first white settlement in the county, near Knaggs Bridge, and other historical spots in the county.

A resolution on the death of the late J. D. Leland was also adopted, and letters of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Mary Schantz and Charles Jackson who are ill.

Mrs. J. Edwin Ellis entertained the Tuesday Duplicate Auction Bridge Club Tuesday afternoon at her home on North Water street.

A special meeting of Abigail Chapter, O. E. S., was held Tuesday evening to confer the degree on four candidates. The work in conferring the degrees was done in a most exemplary way by the Corunna Chapter.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

### A Tariff Persuader

Washington, Feb. 23.—"Chairman Fordney's advocacy of the restoration of the maximum and minimum tariff rate provision in the next Republican tariff law meet with the approval of those who studied the operation of that clause in the Republican tariff law of 1909," declares the Republican Publicity Association, through its President, Hon. Jonathan Bourne, Jr. "The clause will be of particular value in the near future because of the tendency on the part of a great many of our foreign competitors to discriminate against American exports by way of vexatious regulations and, in some instances, denying the entry of certain American goods to their markets. For example, it was testified recently before the Ways and Means Committee that American thermos bottles had been kept out of Great Britain under a licensing system still in operation there, while thermos bottles from Japan and Italy had been given entry to the British market. Other instances have been cited of a similar nature."

"Again, there has been considerable talk of 'retaliation' on the part of certain foreign nations against American goods, should we restore our basic policy of protection. True, this threat is being held out mainly by importers of foreign goods in the hope of scaring the protectionists out of their intention to increase the duty rates. Secretary Colby, on his return from his South American trip, declared that no intention of retaliation had been brought to his attention while down there, and Representative Green, ranking member on the Ways and Means Committee, declares such talk to be a bogey which is dragged forth by the Democratic party whenever a protective tariff law is in contemplation. But the adoption of the maximum and minimum clause in the next tariff law would make assurance doubly sure in discouraging any disposition to retaliate on us for returning to a tariff policy more generally indorsed today than ever in our history."

"The adoption of the maximum and minimum in the tariff law of 1909 precipitated a torrent of expostulation from the free traders. Champ Clark, then leader of the minority in the House, declared that, having provided unconscionably high rates of duty on imports, the majority had deliberately provided for a horizontal elevation of the rates by 25 per cent, which was protection gone mad. The clause was necessitated by numerous foreign discriminations against American exports, but its action was so effective that the maximum rates were never applied under it. Within a few days after the world had received notice of the maximum and minimum provision, all discrimination against American exports had ceased and every nation promised to be good. So the minimum rates, the rates in the law itself, were the only ones ever applied. And despite the campaign of falsehood directed against the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, the average ad valorem rate of duty on all imports under that law was under 20 per cent, while the Wilson-Gorman law enacted under Cleveland was a fraction over 20 per cent."

The maximum and minimum has proved its worth in the past, and it is too good a persuader to scrap in these days of intense competition for markets."

### A Significant Coincidence

It may be only a coincidence, but it is a fact worth remembering, that during the year 1920, when values of farm products took such a slump, the United States increased its imports of foodstuffs 64 per cent as compared with the previous year and decreased its exports 23 per cent. Of course Underwood and the rest of the Southern free trade Democrats will tell you that it was only a coincidence—that the increased importations had nothing to do with the fall in value of farm products. They will tell you, as the Democratic tariff does, that the importations of Canadian wheat had nothing to do with the fall of wheat prices below the cost of production. But few people believe them. It is manifestly the natural effect of increased buying abroad to decrease the price of the home product; else why should there be any buying abroad? Isn't this plain common sense?

The marriage of Paul D'Angle and Miss Mina Ramsey, both of this city, was solemnized on Feb. 14 at the First M. E. church parsonage, Rev. Dunning Idle officiating. The groom is employed as operator at the Strand, while the bride has been cashier at the same place for several years.

## Hear Fine Addresses

Thomas Read of Shelby, lieutenant governor of Michigan; William F. McDonald, forestry expert, the Rev. Walter B. Denny, pastor of the First Congregational church; W. H. McMichael and Thomas Tallafarro, internal revenue agents, were the speakers at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday night. Despite the number of speakers, the affair was over at 9 o'clock. About 150 attended.

Before the speaking began, Byron Cronk and La Rue Kerby brought up the matter of launching an independent or semi-pro base ball team here this summer. Both stated that a park would have to be erected. Kirby estimated the cost of building it, and buying equipment for the team at about \$5,000, but asserted that the income for the first season would more than wipe out this indebtedness. A committee is to be appointed to take the matter up with those backing the project.

It was also announced that the Owosso City Band will put on a minstrel show at the Strand theater on the nights of April 4 and 5.

The date of the next banquet was not announced, as it is probable that the annual booster banquet at which President M. L. Burton of the University of Michigan, is to be the principal speaker, will be held at an early date. It was announced that hereafter persons desiring to attend the bi-monthly banquets must secure their tickets in advance.

## CIRCUIT COURT

Edward Ostrum, aged 50, of Caledonia, was adjudged in contempt of court for failure to pay alimony, Tuesday. Prosecutor Matthews told the court that he was in arrears \$40, and that his divorced wife needed money to pay doctors for treating their crippled son. Ostrum said he had no money and was ordered confined in jail until he paid. He paid.

Wm. Sims of Cadillac, was released from jail Tuesday when he paid his divorced wife \$300 alimony. He owed \$300.

Jay Stewart of Owosso, pleaded guilty to a charge of having a quart bottle of whiskey in his possession some weeks ago, and will appear for sentence.

Wm. Bruno, living near Bancroft, arrested some time ago for violation of the prohibition law, pleaded not guilty. He has been in jail in default of \$3,000 bond, but Judge Collins reduced the bail to \$200, which Bruno says he will give. He will be tried in April.

Constancy Jenc, the Pole, who was put on probation ten days ago by Judge Collins after he had pleaded guilty to a charge of making whiskey, and then violated his parole, was sentenced to four months in the county jail by Judge Collins. Mrs. Jenc is in jail and her children, including an eight-months-old baby, are in the Dorcas Home.

## Sale of Christmas Stamps Over 11,000,000 in Michigan

Lansing, Feb. 21.—With seven counties still to hear from, the Christmas Seal sale of the Michigan Anti Tuberculosis Association is reported to be a success this year. The total gross sale so far is in excess of 11,000,000 seals. Reports from counties that have not yet been tabulated are expected to increase this somewhat. The preliminary report of the state association gives final figures to 47 counties, partial figures for 27 counties, and seven counties are listed as not heard from. These seven are: Calhoun, Baraga, Cheboygan, Midland, Saginaw, Shiawassee and St. Joseph.

The sale in Michigan was covered by 71 contract agents, ten volunteer agents and a total mail sale in 15 counties and a partial mail sale in nine counties. The sale this year compares very well with that of the year before. Many of the counties made a larger sale than ever before and in some cases the total sale was more than doubled. The final figures are not expected to be available for some time, but they are being tabulated as rapidly as they come.

W. H. Cline of Bennington, Floyd G. Walworth of Hazelton, and Amos Panometer of Vernon, left Wednesday morning to attend the State Roads Convention in Ann Arbor this week.

Mrs. W. P. Harryman left Wednesday for Ann Arbor, where she will spend the remainder of the week with Dr. and Mrs. Ward Harryman.

Suit for divorce has been started by Mrs. Marcotus Noack of Owosso, against Oscar Noack, charging cruelty.

Mrs. Stella Jenc, wife of Constancy Jenc, of Henry street, whose home was visited during the raids of Saturday night in Owosso, was taken into custody Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Taylor and Robinson, and is held on a charge of violation of the liquor law.