

GRAND ENCAMPMENT AND PATRIARCHS MILITANT

Branches of World's Leading Secret Society Guests of Owosso

Parade, Drills, Decoration of Chevaliers and Ball Interesting Public Features.

The sixty-ninth annual session of the Grand Encampment and Patriarchs Militant of Michigan of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was held in Owosso, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with large attendance at all sessions, and a big crowd of visitors and onlookers, Tuesday, when the parade and public exercises were held.

Delegates arrived Monday and registered at the headquarters—the Encampment at Odd Fellows' temple on Mason street and the Patriarchs Militant at Owosso Lodge hall on East Main street. Grand officers had headquarters at the National and Wildernuth hotels.

The first session of the Department Council of Michigan was held in Owosso lodge hall at 2 p. m., Monday, followed at 7:30 p. m. by the conferring of the auxiliary degree by the ladies of Detroit auxiliary. The Patriarchal degree work was conferred at 7:30 p. m. by Old Glory Encampment of Detroit at the Odd Fellows' temple, followed by the Golden Rule degree by Queen City Encampment of Battle Creek, and the Royal Purple degree by Evergreen Encampment of Stanton.

Business sessions were held by both organizations Tuesday morning and at 11 o'clock public exercises were held at the temple on Mason street, John Sharpe general chairman, presiding. Rev. C. B. Wolford pronounced the invocation. Miss Lillian Vogel sang and was heartily encored. Rev. E. A. Waite gave the address, opening with pleasanties and stories, following with a tribute to Odd Fellowship and closing with a splendid oration on the world conditions, the awakening of Russia, the casting off of the monarchy, the hope that Germany would rid itself of its tyrannical head and give that wonderful people the benefits of its culture, science and art unhindered by its terrible and blasting militarism. He stated that the United States is the supreme nation of the world today and on its actions depended the future of the world to a great extent.

Mayor Wright gave an address of welcome and presented the Grand Patriarch with a wooden key symbolizing the hospitality of the city, praised the work of Odd Fellowship, and called attention to Owosso as a city of homes, churches, schools and industry. Grand Patriarch Horn replied briefly and asked Grand High Priest F. W. Mayne of Charlevoix, to express the thanks of the visitors for the welcome. Judge Mayne talked of Odd Fellowship as expressing the hope of the world—the fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man, faithfulness to country. Major General S. J. Hall also responded to the welcome, after which Miss Vogel sang and Dr. O. Snyder of Owosso, was introduced as one of the oldest Odd Fellows, being 92 years of age, and a member of the lodge 71 years.

At 1:45 Tuesday the grand parade was formed at the corner of Park and Main streets under charge of E. G. G. Osborn and headed by the West Side band, marched west on Main street, south on Michigan avenue, east on Cass to Washington, north to Exchange.

Colonel Benton Canton of Flint, the largest in the state, led with 49 in line, followed by Bay City with 30; Muskegon with 15; Lansing with 35; City of Straits of Detroit with 45; Owosso with 25; American Eagle of Detroit with 24. Following the uniformed members were Encampment members in large numbers and the Ladies' auxiliary, Owosso band and members of encampments and subordinate lodges, and a line of automobiles from various parts of central Michigan. Thousands viewed the parade and cheered the marchers.

Following the parade City of the Straits Canton of Detroit and Capitol City Canton of Lansing, gave exhibition drills, a prize of \$100 being awarded to the Detroit canton.

The social event of the session was held Tuesday evening at the armory where the decree chivalry was conferred by Major General S. J. Hall on Major J. H. Hartman of Stanton; Lieut. E. F. Dow of Detroit; Capt. H. Kingsley of Benton Harbor; Major C. J. Todd

of Detroit and Capt. Lewis Goldman of Port Huron. The ceremony was highly interesting to a crowded armory of spectators, the ceremony including the presentation of the men to be honored, taking the oath of chivalry instruction by four ladies, the pinning of the handsome medal by little Miss Hayes, and the confirmation by General Hall.

Following the decoration a drill by City of the Straits canton was much enjoyed. The visiting officers and many members of the cantons then formed a grand march and dancing closed a very pleasant evening's program.

At Wednesday's business session of the Encampment the following officers were elected:

Grand Patriarch—Judge Frederick W. Mayne, Charlevoix
Grand High Priest—Nathan C. Rose, Detroit
Grand Senior Warden—Edward Hoyt Battle Creek

Grand Junior Warden—George A. Blair, Sault Ste. Marie
Grand Marshal—John C. Hesch, Grand Rapids
Grand Scribe—Isaac G. Reynolds, Ann Arbor
Grand Treasurer—Judge Frank Shepherd, Cheboygan
Grand Inside Sentinel—J. B. Houck, Detroit

Grand Scribe Reynolds and Grand Treasurer Shepherd were re-elected. Judge Mayne appointed W. C. Critchell of Potoskey, as grand outside guard, the only office for which there was a contest.

Flint was chosen as next year's meeting place over Benton Harbor by a vote of 5 to 72.

There will be no change in the officers in the Patriarchs Militant, all being re-elected or re-appointed.

The Encampment is a higher or added rank of Odd Fellowship consisting of three exceedingly impressive degrees, while the uniformed body is known as the Patriarchs Militant consisting of one degree, its membership being from the encampment members. The encampment was first instituted in 1821, the uniformed branch in 1870, which has grown rapidly until now over 30,000 are affiliated with it.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows is now the leading secret order of the world in total membership, all branches having over 2,000,000 members. It was organized in the 18th century in England and began its existence in the United States, which now has one million members in 1917. It has lodges in practically every civilized nation on the globe, and its history is one glorious achievement. Its basic principles are friendship, love and truth, emphasizing the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

Sent to Prison.

James Kidd, the Owosso youth who has made trouble most of his life, has finally landed in Jackson prison, being sentenced Saturday by Judge Miner to serve from three to five years for horse stealing. His younger brother, who was with him when he stole a horse from J. Maurer of Corunna, has been returned to the industrial school at Lansing.

John Bell, negro hobo, was sentenced to serve fifteen months to three years at Ionis for robbing a clothing store at Durand.

Prompt Payments Demanded.

Retail grocers and meat dealers of the city have decided on a new rule for credit. Hereafter no credit will be extended beyond a regular pay day of customers, weekly, semi-monthly or monthly. This system will be tried and if it does not prove satisfactory the stores will sell for cash only.

The grocers will also discontinue the giving of cigars or candy to customers when they pay their bills, considering this is unfair to cash customers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Vogel of Sidney, Australia, are guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Vogel enroute to New York City.

Two Killed in Auto Accident

Walter C. Baird, undertaker and furniture dealer, and his wife, of New Lothrop, were killed shortly before 6 p. m. Sunday when their automobile was struck by a city street car on North Saginaw street, Flint. Mr. Baird was wedged under the street car and instantly killed. Mrs. Baird was hurled a considerable distance, striking on her head. She was rushed to Hurley hospital, where she died on the operating table. Both bodies were badly mangled.

Mr. and Mrs. Baird left early Sunday morning for Oxford to spend the day with an uncle. They were on their way home when the accident occurred. Just how the accident happened will probably never be known. It is believed, however, that Mr. Baird was endeavoring to turn from Saginaw street to go to the home of George Bullock, a former New Lothrop merchant, and that his machine stalled on the track in front of the car. Mr. Baird's body was jammed with the auto under the street car and it was more than one hour before it could be released.

Mr. Baird had resided in New Lothrop for 17 years and purchased the undertaking business from his brother-in-law, Pearl Sawyer, ten years ago. Mr. Baird was one of the most prominent merchants of New Lothrop and both he and his wife were prominent socially. Mr. Baird was a member of the Hugh McCurdy lodge F. & A. M. He was about 40 years old and his wife was four years his junior.

Death of Mrs. Catherine Phillips

Mrs. Catherine Phillips, aged 55, died Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Hylar, of Jackson, where she had been for nearly a year. She had been ill for about a year with anemia and had been steadily growing worse. The funeral was held from St. Paul's Catholic church Wednesday morning. Rev. Father P. J. Slane officiated.

The deceased was born in Ireland and came to this county when quite young. She was married to John Phillips, who died about 25 years ago. She leaves five daughters.

BUDGET, \$95,270.72

Exceeds That of Last Year by \$6,000 --Pay of Policemen Raised—Few Improvements for This Year.

The city commission adopted the annual appropriation bill at Monday's meeting, providing for the raising of \$95,270.72 by tax and \$7,900 by loan for water mains. The commission voted to raise the salary of firemen \$5 a month each making the pay range from \$60 for new men, to \$85 for Chief Craig. Salaries of policemen will also be raised and the pay will be on a sliding scale according to time of service. The complete budget is printed on another page.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS

State Board of Health Conducts Health Clinics in County.

Drs. William DeKline and E. R. VanderSice of the State Board of Health are conducting examinations at the Carnegie library in Owosso and Dr. H. S. Hatch has worked at Corunna and Durand in the effort of the state health authorities to start a campaign to wipe out tuberculosis in the state.

Large numbers are taking the examinations which are most thorough, the doctors being assisted by nurses, and all modern tests being applied.

The campaign has resulted in much good in the state, the cure and prevention of tuberculosis being well understood now in every county. It is estimated that there are 25,000 to 30,000 cases of tuberculosis in the state, and most of which were easily curable or preventable if simple tests and precautions had been taken.

Dr. DeKline addressed the Improvement association Tuesday, urging the appointment in all cities of a full time health officer believing that the saving of lives, the saving of sickness, would repay the expenditures a thousand fold.

Elected Grand Steward. Howard Slocum of Corunna, was elected Grand Steward of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons at the annual session at Jackson, Tuesday. The honor puts him in line for regular promotion through the offices to Most Lustrous Grand Master and is well deserved. Mr. Slocum has been a consistent and helpful worker in Masonic bodies for years and many friends congratulate him on his advancement.



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

Lawrence—Kelly.

The marriage of Mrs. Camille Kelley and George Lawrence, both of this city, was solemnized Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schramm on North Ball street. Rev. E. J. Warren of the First M. E. church officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence left on a short wedding trip and upon their return will reside in this city.

Mrs. Lawrence is well known here as a hair-dresser and manicurist and the groom is engaged in the real estate and insurance business with offices over the Citizens' Savings bank. Friends extend congratulations.

DeYoung—Ford.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ford, of North Chestnut street, to Melbourne DeYoung, son of Ex-Mayor and Mrs. James DeYoung, was solemnized Monday morning at 7:30 o'clock in St. Paul's Catholic church. Rev. Father P. J. Slane officiated in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends of the young couple. They were attended by the bride's sister, Miss Ruth Ford, of Detroit, and Redmond Walsh, of this city.

Following the ceremony, the wedding party went to the home of the bride's parents, where a three-course wedding breakfast was served. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. DeYoung will reside on John street. Both Mr. DeYoung and his bride are well known here and are popular among a wide circle of friends. Both are members of St. Paul's Catholic church and the bride is a graduate of the parochial school. She has been employed for some time as bookkeeper by Kelly & Douglass, plumbers.

Mr. DeYoung came to this city several years ago from Holland. He attended the city schools here and later attended the Ferris Institute at Big Rapids. At present he is employed in F. J. Storer's clothing store. Many friends extend congratulations.

County Eastern Stars.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Shiawassee County Eastern Star association was held at Corunna, Friday, with over three hundred from all parts of the county present. The session was opened with a reception to Miss Minnie Kenyon of Marine City, grand matron and Mrs. Ida Hume associate grand matron, Mrs. Lola K. Brown of Owosso, and Mrs. Mary Smith of Corunna, past grand marshals, Mrs. Luella Pettibone of Corunna, past grand organist, and Mrs. Mary Watson of Montrose past grand warder.

Mrs. Marion Young of Corunna, the newly elected president of the county association and past matron of the Corunna chapter, extended an official welcome to the visitors. Mrs. Frank Scribner of Bancroft, responded. Mrs. Frank Gillett of Laingsburg, rendered a solo which was followed by the address of Mrs. Annetta Smith of Laingsburg, the retiring president of the county association.

Memorial services were conducted, after which reports were read and several musical selections were enjoyed. A banquet was served at 5:30, after which the degrees were conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Milton Houghton by officers of various lodges.

The following officers of the association were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Marion Young, Corunna; first vice president, Mrs. Beesie Wright, Owosso; second vice president, Ralph Gillett, Laingsburg; chaplain, Mrs. Anna Fitch, Durand; marshal, Mrs. Daisy Eddy, Byron. The meeting next year will be held in Owosso.

Frank Strelie, New Haven township Bohemian convicted of chicken stealing, was sentenced Saturday to serve 63 days in the Detroit house of correction.

Discuss Tuberculosis.

The Shiawassee county medical society held a special meeting at the Hotel Hauck in this city Tuesday evening at which a most instructive paper was presented by Dr. H. S. Hatch on "Early Diagnosis of Tuberculosis." Dr. Hatch is associated with Dr. William DeKline and Dr. E. R. Vanderslice in conducting the tuberculosis survey in this county this week. Dr. Hatch's paper emphasized the following points:

The diagnosis of tuberculosis should be made at the earliest possible moment, in order to effect a cure. One examination of a patient by a physician is very often not sufficient to determine the presence or absence of tuberculosis. Repeated examinations must be made. Loss of weight and pain in the lungs, with or without cough, are suspicious symptoms. The diagnosis of tuberculosis should be made, and usually can be made, before the appearance of tubercle bacilli in the expectoration.

Memorial Day Program.

Plans for the observance of Memorial day were practically completed at a meeting of the various committees held Friday evening. The program of speeches and music will be carried out as usual in the armory, and will be followed by the procession to Oak Hill cemetery where the memorial services for the soldier and sailor dead will be held. The program at the armory will start at 1:30 sharp, and all who wish to attend are urged to be in their seats at that time. The program will be as follows:

G. A. R. public service—Reading of Memorial orders; Salute the Dead.

W. R. C. public service—Reading of Memorial address.

Invocation—Rev. W. R. Blachford.

Reading of Governor's proclamation—Evelyn Ward.

Song.

President Lincoln's Gettysburg address—Leon Clark.

Gen. Logan's first Memorial day proclamation—Arthur Pierpont.

Song.

Address, "The Crisis for the World's Democracy"—Rev. Geo. L. Cady, D. D., Lansing.

Song, "America," sung by audience.

Closing prayer and benediction—Rev. B. G. Mattson, D. D.

Captain Harold Hume will act as marshal of the day, and all members of the National Guard, who have been discharged, are urgently invited to take part in the parade. In the absence from the city of Company H, it will be necessary to pick a squad to fire the salute at the cemetery from these men, providing they can obtain rifles. They will also be asked to act as ushers at the armory, work that in other years has been done by the company members.

Both Owosso bands will be secured for the day and Dr. A. G. Cowles' life and drum band of Durand has also been secured. Last year a life and drum band was missing in the parade for the first time. Automobiles will be obtained for the Women's Relief Corps, but the members of the G. A. R. post desire to walk to the cemetery and back. Owners of machines who will contribute their use for the afternoon are asked to leave their names with W. H. VanSice, chairman of the transportation committee. Invitations have been sent to all secret orders to participate in the parade.

The parade will form outside the armory immediately after the services there, and proceed directly to the cemetery. It will stop at the lake where the services for the sailor dead will be carried out, and then continue on to the soldiers' lot where the G. A. R. memorial services will be held and the salute fired.

U. C. T. To Attend Convention.

Owosso Council, United Commercial Travellers, is making preparations to attend the state convention in Bay City June 1 and 2. The local council expects to have at least 50 men in line for the parade which will be the big feature of the convention. The Owosso men will be dressed in white uniforms.

The local drummers' organization has won prizes at Lansing, Bay City and Saginaw for having the largest percentage of its council membership in the line of march, and is going to try to win again this year. J. Gratz Cook is senior councillor of the council.

ARMY DRAFT BILL PASSES IN SENATE

Bill is Now Up to President—Protracted Debate Ends in Vote of 65 to 8.

Calls for 1,600,000 Men—First Half Million to be in Service by Sept. 1st—Income Taxes Boosted.

The great selective army bill, calling for 1,600,000 troops, is now ready for President Wilson's signature.

After acrimonious debate, which endured for six and a half hours Thursday, the senate finally approved the measure 65 to 8.

The house late this afternoon, in committee of the whole, adopted the Lenroot amendments to the revenue bill increasing sur-taxes on incomes.

INFIRMARY IS TRANSFERRED OWOSSO TO KALAMAZOO

Captain H. A. Hume and His Men Offered Places in Medical Department of State Administrative Staff.

Captain H. A. Hume, commanding the 32nd Michigan infantry infirmary stationed here, received orders Monday to transfer the organization at once to Kalamazoo. The transfer was recommended by Major Lee, senior medical officer of the Michigan brigade, some time ago, and permission was asked of the war department by Col. Bersey, adjutant general, to make the transfer.

Captain Hume was ordered to Lansing for a conference with Col. Bersey and went from there to Kalamazoo to arrange for the establishment of the infirmary. The order directs that Captain Hume be relieved from duty with the infirmary and that the enlisted men here either make application for transfer to some line organization or to the medical reserve. There are at present 11 enlisted men in the infirmary.

Captain Hume has been offered a place on the state administrative staff, medical department. The staff consists of one major, two captains or lieutenants, two sergeants and six privates. Captain Hume is given permission to transfer eight of his men to this staff and will do so. This will mean that two of the privates will be promoted to sergeants as all three of the sergeants in the infirmary were recently discharged under the dependents ruling.

The work of the administrative staff is, as the name implies, administrative in nature, and it will be Captain Hume's duties to secure equipment, and recruit and instruct the reserve medical corps at mobilization camps after the hospital corps is called into the federal service. Those duties will not for the time being, at least, interfere with his duties as medical member of the county board on conscription.

Junior Banquet Committee.

Wellington Ward, president of the Junior class of the high school, is in the country working on a farm, and for this season Leon Clark is general manager of arrangements being made for the annual banquet of the juniors to the seniors, to be given in the Owosso armory, Friday evening, June 8. Miss Mona Gristock is acting as president of the class.

Committee chosen for the banquet are as follows:

Tosats—Leon Clark, Ruth Beemer and Floyd Jenkins.

Reception—Rebecca Mattson, Merrill Oliver and Frieda Lottridge.

Decorations—Leon Osmer, Hilda Bousor, Bernice Mattson, Evelyn Ward and Dale Swartzmiller.

Presented With Rooker.

Charles Ellis has resigned as bookkeeper at the Owosso Sugar Co. and will move to the Ellis farm south of Owosso, and manage it. The field force of the Sugar Co. surprised Mr. Ellis at his home Saturday evening and presented him with a leather rooker, wishing him happiness and success in his new work.

Mr. Ellis has been a capable and valued employee of the Sugar Co. and his resignation is regretted by the company and the many with whom he came in contact.