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ARCHITECTS

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN



June 27, 1917.

Mr. D. Everett Waid, Treasurer, American Institute of Architects,

Dear Sir:

I should be pleased to receive information regarding Article 4, under special rules, as passed by the last convention.

Am I to understand that all members of the Institute, seventy years of age or older are held exempt from paying dues, result of this ruling, providing they have been members of the Institute for ten years or more.

I have been a member of the American Institute of Architects since 1889; coming into same from the Western Association of Architects, and have been actively engaged in the practice of architecture since 1876. Am now the senior member of the firm of Osgood and Osgood, in a semi-active capacity. Have passed the age of seventy-two. I am asking the above questions in order to ascertain if I am to become exempt from further dues in the Institute.

Until hearing from you, I beg leave to remain,

Cordially yours,

SJO/K

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D.C.



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Juny 2nd-1917

Bear Mr. Osgood:-

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of June 27th to the Treasurer, Mr. Waid, and to enclose herewith marked copy of the By-laws of the Institute. Under Article IV, Section 1 will be found the provision with regard to retirement.

It would certainly appear that you are eligible therefor, and I suggest that you make application, addressed to the Secretary of the Institute, as indicated in the By-laws. This will come before the Board meeting in September and we will be pleased to advise you of the action taken.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Sidney J. Osgood, New Herald Building, Grand Rapids, Michigan

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

July 7, 1917. MH 11 27

Mr. D. C. Kemper, Executive Sec'y, The American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I herewith acknowledge receipt of yours of July second, and following your suggestion, I herewith enclose application addressed to the secretary of the Institute, asking for exemption of dues.

I would further ask you whether I should pay the current year dues or await the decision of my application.

Thanking you, permit me to remain,

Yours very truly,

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OSGOOD AND OSGOOD ARCHITECTS

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

July 9, 1917

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Mr. William Stanley Parker, Sec'y, The American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Section 1, Article 1V, I respectfully petition the Institute that I become exempt from payment of dues as prescribed in said section.

I have been engaged in the practice of architecture for the past forty-five years, having been a member of the Institute since 1889, coming into same from the Western Association, and I passed my seventy second birthday in March of this year.

Awaiting your action, I beg leave to remain,

Yours very truly,

SJO/K

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.



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October 11, 1917,

My dear Mr. Osgood:

At the September meeting of the Board of Directors, the Secretary presented your letter of July 9 and it was resolved that the dues for 1917 cannot be remitted as they are included in the present Budget; but you will be placed on the retired list effective January 1, 1918 on condition that the dues for 1917 are paid.

As a memorandum, I enclose statement for 1917 dues. By direction of the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Sidney J. Osgood, New Herald Bldg., Grand Rapids, Mich.

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Osgood and Osgood ARCHITECTS

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Oct. 20, 1917.

American Institute of Architects, Washington D. C.

Gentlemen:

Attention Mr. E. C. Kemper.

Enclosed find my check in the sum of \$25.00 covering dues for 1917 in the American Institute.

I herewith petition that I be placed upon the retired list January 1st 1917 in accordance with resolutions recently adopted in connection with retired members.

Asking that this matter receive prompt attention I beg leave to remain,

Yours very truly,

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.



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October 22-1917

My dear Mr. Osgood:-

Responding to yours of October 20th this will acknowledge receipt of your remittance of \$20.00 covering dues for 1917 and will advise you that in accordance with the action of the Board of Directors at the September meeting you will be placed on the Retired List, effective January 1st, 1918.

Bery truly yours.

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Sidney J. Osgood, New Herald Building, Grand Rapids, Michigan

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CARL C. ADE
ARCHITECT
104 EAST AVENUE
ROCHESTER.NY.

June 19th, 1926

Mr.Edward C.Kemper, Ex.Sect. American Institute of Architects 1741 New York Ave. Washington, D.C. CHE AGRERICAN INSTITUTE
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Dear Mr. Kemper:-

This is to acknowledge your letter of June 16th. Kindly accept my sincere thanks for the prompt reply.

The architects referred to in my letter of the 14th, are Osgood & Osgood, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and the writer would appreciate any information as to their standing in the prefession and whether or not they have successfully completed previous contracts.

The writer is very skeptical about association with other architects and therefore trying to obtain all available information before entering into an association.

Thanking you in advance for any information and assuring you it will be treated strictly confidential, I am,

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Very truly yours,

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THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.



June 24, 1926

Dear Mr. Ade:

Responding to your letter of June 19th, the only Osgood of whom we have record is Mr. S. J. Osgood, of the New Herald Building, Grand Rapids, Mich. He is on the retired list of the Institute, of which he became a member in 1884.

So far as the records at the Octagon go, he is in good standing in the profession in every way.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Carl C. Ade, 104 East Avenue, Rochester, N. Y.

K/FHG



January 3rd, 1981.

Dear Mr. Osgood:

According to the records at The Octagon you have never been transferred from the Detroit Chapter to the Grand Rapids Chapter, although you are now living in Grand Rapids.

It may be that the failure to make the transfer rests with this office but we cannot find an indication to that offect. Can you give us any information which will help to straighten out the record?

A letter from the Secretary of the Detroit Chapter, Mr. Arthur K. Hyde, indicates that the records of that Chapter show that you were transferred to Grand Rapids in 1928 - but apparently no entry of the sort exists at The Quingam.

In the interest of good organization, and in the interest of the member himself, the Institute is gratified shen members, lessting in a new city, ask for a transfer from the old Chapter to the new Chapter having jurisdiction.

We would much appreciate it if you would let us hear from you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. Sidney J. Osgood, New Herald Building, Grand Rapids, Mich.

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Copy to Mr. Hyde.

OSGOOD AND OSGOOD ARCHITECTS

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

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Jan. 23, 1931

THE OCTAGON

Secretary, American Institute of Architects, The Octagon, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent letter directed to my father, Mr. Sidney J. Osgood, submitting to him the suggestion that he be transferred from the Detroit Chapter to the Grand Rapids Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, permit me to advise as follows:

My father is a Fellow and life member of the A.I.A. and has always been a member of the Detroit Chapter, in fact I believe he is a charter member, but in this I may be mistaken. He is the senior member of our firm, is eighty-six years of age and does not desire to make any change in his membership in the A.I.A.

This for your guidance and advice.

Respectfully yours,

SEO: G

Copy to Mr. Ranson V. Gamber Secretary Detroit Chapter



February 5, 1931

Dear Mr. Osgood:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 23rd, with regard to the wish of your father, Sydney J. Osgood, to retain his affiliation with the Detroit Chapter, of which he has been a member for so long a time.

We shall be glad to advise the Detroit Chapter accordingly, and feel sure that they will be glad to retain Mr. Osgood on their rolls.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Executive Secretary.

Mr. S. Eugene Osgood, New Herald Building, Grand Rapids, Mich.

H/fhg

Copy to Mr. Hyde.

THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.



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February 25, 1951

Dear Mr. Hyde

We are just in receipt of your letter of February 20th, with regard to the status of certain members of the Detroit Chapter, and wish to respond thereto, as follows:

Harry T. Smith was dropped from membership in the Institute and the Detroit Chapter, effective Setpember 1, 1930.

Albert 6. Wood. We have written to Mr. Wood, as is our custom, as per the attached copy of letter. However, in view of the Chapter's recommendation that his membership be discontinued, the matter will be brought before the Executive Committee for action, unless we hear from you further.

Homer W. Harper. It is noted that the Chapter recommends the discentinuance of Mr. Harper's membership, and this will be brought up at the coming meeting of the Executive Committee for action.

Sidney J. Osgood. We are glad to know that the Chapter has followed the example of the Institute and has placed this member on its retired list. It is presumed that you have notified him of the action taken, and that no further action by this office is required.

John T. Ferrit. The matter of his transfer to the New York Chapter is being held in abeyance, as requested.

John G. Drainie. It is noted that the Chapter wishes more time for the consideration of this case, and we shall be glad to withhold any action until we hear further from you.

You will be advised of the action taken with regard to Messrs. Wood and Harper by the Executive Committee as soon after the meeting as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Arthur K. Hyde, Secretary, Detroit Chapter, A.I.A., 904 Marquette Building, Detroit, Mich.

Assistant Executive Secretary.

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Hull's Statement.

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Hull's Statement

It was not in immediate danger, however, according to messages of Capt. Sundstrom.

Latest reports indicated

Latest reports indicated the storm was moving westward away from the vicinity of the Dixie.

The Dixie was en route from New Orleans to New York and its passengers were from all parts of the

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Freighter Aground.

Miami, Fla., Sept. 4.—(INS)—A British freighter, the S. S. Capulet, rap aground Wednesday off the Great Isaac lighthouse in the Ba-(Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

Sidney J. Osgood Was Important Factor in Building Grand Rapids.

Sidney J. Osgood, veteran architect, who observed his ninetieth birthday anniversary, March 26, who came to Grand Rapids when it who came to Grand Ataplas when to had a population of about 25,000 and who was an important factor in building this city, died in Battle Creek sanitarium Tuesday evening after a long illness.

He was the senior member of the architectural firm of Osgood & Os-

He was born March 26, 1845, at Ellsworth, Me. His father, Joseph Osgood, was an architect and builder and New England is dotted

with the churches he designed.
Osgood attended the town school
and then for four years was before the mast on a sailing vessel com-manded by his uncle. He was twice around Cape Horn and visited many seas. Returning to shore life, he worked with his father and studied in Boston, coming to Grand Rap-

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Walter C. Averill, jr., of Lansing, chief of the federal relief bureau of the state of Michigan in charge of recreational work, who will present the Safety Pageant parade prizes to winners Friday night at the final rally at Houseman field. Mr. Averill is one of the judges. The prizes, aggregating some \$250, donated by The Grand Rapids Press, will go to the children having the best entries in the parade Friday morning. A special part of the Friday night Day by Day in New York__ program has been set aside for Mr. Averill's presentation cere-

Two Volunteers Die Fighting Texas Fire

Rockdale, Tex., Sept. 4.—(P)— Two volunteer firemen lost their lives in a \$100,000 fire that razed a store building in the business dis-trict here Tuesday. Several other fire fighters suffered burns and

The Italian government, the membeen proportionately as large, the disaster might prove worse than the hurricane of 1926 that took 2,000 lives and all but destroyed Miami.

More than 600 veterans, employed by the FERA, had been engaged on a road-making project from the mainland to Key West, at the very end of the chain of islands.

Strikes West Coast.

The hurricane meantime, whirled at more than 70 miles an hour up Florida's west coast, passing over the rich, fruit-growing areas of Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee and Hillsborough counties.

At last reports the storm center was 80 miles north of Tampa. Residents along the west coast, in-

was 80 miles north of Tampa. Residents along the west coast, informed through press reports of the hurricane's fury to the south, "battened down" to meet the shock of the "blow." All shipping in the area was suspended. area was suspended.

area was suspended.

All the resources of national, state and private relief agencies were mobilized to aid the stricken zone. The army, the navy, the national Red Cross and state groups fushed rescue parties to the keys.

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Brady Sun-Tan David Lawrence__ The Nebbs_ Contract Bridge__ Fun Page
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Radio Programs Dorothy Dix___ Alice Brooks____ Obituaries Crossword Puzzle__ Theaters_ Do You Know_

Floats and Entries for Huge Parade Friday



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER

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ier to facilitate this work it has been decided that ial awarding of prizes will up until the big free night t Houseman field. At this alter C. Averill, jr., of Lanief of the federal relief bu charge of recreation, will

make the wards. The y after the parade passes complete list will be pub-Friday afternoon's edition

sday Prorning the play lead-s given numbers to pass out vagous individuals par-ig in the parade. These s should be obtained by the attached to their entry in be seen by the judges dur-preliminary judging hour,

SANDS ARE READY.

n ba and two drum and corgs are ready to take in The Press safety pag-parade Friday, including a er of thigh school bands called together in advance opening of school espe-

been arranged and memnanged, as follows: South Wednesday and he school; Davis p. om Wednesda; 6:30 p. m. Thursday at hoolo Central, 10 a. m. and Thusday at the school;
Huls 9 a. m. Thursday

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ock Each playground watted Wednesday to have their in at designated states at the color of the c ot later than 10 o'clock Friorning. Some of the more tic londers have made plans at peastation as early as

nunmers assigned the va layarognd units Wednesday Arbeiter, from 1 to iggs 23 to 60; Cherry, 61 Ciancl. 96 to 120; Franklin, 230; Coit, 231 to 240; Con-241 to 260; Finney, 261 to 276 to 360; John Ba 100; Highland, 401 to 455; Lincoln, 571 601 to 615; Richmond, Mary Waters, 661 to i, 701 to 715; Roose-740; Third-st., 741 to 805; Sigsbee, 806 to 825; May, 826 to 845; Stocking, 850; Turner, 851 to 865; Ample Police Guard.

John Spoelstra, in charge police arrangements for the it, said Wednesday more than en would be assigned to duty the morning and through rade. Traffic and parking will

MBERS ON LEVE SIDE

the parade is in process of forma-tion and dispersing. In addition, Capt. Spoelestra announced, many been assigned to duty llong Monroe-av, from the reviewstand to Michigan-st. wo more bands have been in

cluded in the parade lineup with the return to the city of M. R. Petrilli, band leader at Central High school, and Merwyn Mitchell, leader at Ottawa Hills. Mr. Petrilli al hand for 10 o'clock Thursday orning and another for 2 o'cloc Thursday afternoon at the school he boys who played in Central band last year even though not in school this year, are asked to attend these rehearsals. The Ottawa will rehearse at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at the school,

Other Bands to Play. Other hands taking part are the

South High band, Glenn B. Lytton, South High band, Gielin B. Lyton, director, which will lead the huge Garfield park division; Davis Tech, George D. Davis, director, which will rehearse Thursday at 6:30 at the school. Theodore L. Fryfogle and his Union band will be in the lineup ahead of a west side pageant group. This band has already 1 Music Shop band, Jay VanDusen, director, has prepared itself also for the parade. It will be in front the Wilcox park delegation. The Boy Scout Drum and Bugle corps. Leon Knapp, director, and the Po lice Drum and Bugle corps, A. M. Jensen, director, is also ready for leading the parade down Mon-

While the parade feature of the four-program pageant was being inished up Wednesday Miss Noreen nsorge, in charge of the Friday ight celebration at Houseman field, was putting finishing touches to this grand rally and roundup. Rehearsals were being held Wednes-day and Thursday. The stages are being placed in position now and he lights are being put in place. All of the acts to show in this feature have been completed.

Monroe-av. to Be Smooth for Pageant

Underground work now in prog-ress in Monroe-av. will be com-pleted in approximately seven vorking days, it was announced by Peter A. Kammeraad, public service director, following a conference with the contractors, McDermott

McDermott & Son has agreed however, to have most of the road-way ready for the mammoth playground safety pageant parade e presented by The Grand Rapids Press, recreation department and the Safety council Friday morning Some barriers will remain in the block between Ionia-av. and Ot-tawa-av., but there will remain a 42-foot lane for the parade to use.

To eliminate congestion on main thoroughfare, the municipa traffic commission Tuesday after noon ordered that all automobile parking will be banned temporarily on the south side of Louis-st., and n the east side of Division from Monroe-av. to Fountain-st. This will leave a wider traffic lane for vehicles using the streets to

Roadway resurfacing work on Monroe-av. by the state highway department will not be started unnext week, it was reported by Peter A. Kammeraad, service director.

Another Action In Vosper Case

more than eight already pending in three courts here concerning the

of business as a private transaction with Ethiopia, but without consultation with any other government." He said Ethiopia was to have received royalties on all comnercial petroleum produced under the agreement.

The Standard Vacuum company is

a foreign subsidiary jointly owned by the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. and the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey. The Standard-Vacuum in turn operates the African Exploration & Development Co., which obtained

The announcement of the with drawal of the Standard Oil Co. from the Ethiopian oil concession was greeted with feelngs ranging from relief that ings ranging from rener that a dangerous situation had been eased to the belief in Italy that "there had been no change" as the League of Nations council memers gathered to discuss the Italo-Ethiopian impasse.

The British press saw some relief to the league outlook in the new development and French officials expressed their pleasure and said the new move cleared the atmos-

In Italy the cancellation had been regarded as inevitable owing to what was considered the unfavorble reaction the deal produced aroughout the world. The American move was regarded by Italian officials as not having changed the situation at all, since Italy had efused to recognize the validity of the concession.

Surprise Confab.

Meanwhile a surprise meeting of representatives of Great Britain France and Italy was called, prior to the scheduled council meeting, to examine the Italo-Ethiopian sit uation from a league standpoint. British cabinet ministers we

British cabinet ministers were hurrying to London to be ready for swift action if warranted by developments in Geneva. The English press and officialdom were frankly pessimistic regarding a peaceful solution.

Italy, however, was confident of victory in the council session, re-

garding the British position as weakened by the Rickett oil deal, nd feeling that as a result Great Britain probably would abandon efforts to impose sanctions in the event of an east African war.

Washington political observers said they regarded the move as having erased all chance of entangling the United States in the dis-

Addis Ababa, Sept. 4.—(P)—The Ethiopian government appeared nonplussed Wednesday when in-Wednesday when inormed that the Standard-Vacuum had withdrawn from its Ethiopian concessions on repre-sentations by the state department f the United States. clined immediate comment.

Observers here assumed that the United States government wished to avoid being drawn into the alto avoid being drawn into the already acutely delicate political situation which has arisen between this nation and Italy and that Washington wishes to avoid compromising the American relationship with Italy.

hip with Italy. Emperor Haile Selassie was not mmediately informed of the can-

Wayland Man Faces Court in Death Case

Allegan, Sept. 4 .- Ben Nakken, 45, Wednesday was bound over by Justice Volney W. Ferris to the present term of circuit court on a charge of manslaughter growing out of the fatal shooting of Elmer Bremer, 16, of Burnips the night of Aug. 12. Nakken, egg buyer at

VETERAN ARCHITE IS CALLED BY DEA

ids in 1876 to practice his profes

Become Leader.

His practical knowledge and experience, sound judgment and artistic sense soon gave him recog-nition as a leader. He designed nition as a leader. He designed the Widdicomb building, and upon its completion in 1885 he removed his offices from the Porter build-

The Kortlander and the Botsford buildings were designed by him and county courthouse, built in 1888 were adopted from a competitive field of 25 offered.

His residential work included the Uhl and the George H Long residences and in the indus-trial class the Widdicomb Furniture Co. factory. Outside of Grand Rapids he built the Muskegon, Mason and Allegan county courthouses and many churches,

In 1902 he was joined by his son, Eugene Osgood, and two years ater made him a partner, the firm name being Osgood & Osgood. collaboration with his son he de-signed the Grand Rapids Savings Bank building, Elks temple, Com-mercial Savings Bank building, mercial Savings Bank building Keeler Exposition building, the Wolverine, Keeler and Grand Rapds Brass factories, the Kindel Bed Co. factory and others.

Designed Masonic Temple.

The Masonic temple is of their work and they also designed Ma-sonic temples in Manistee, Muskegon, Battle Creek, Charlotte, Ypsi-lanti, St. Johns, Holland, South Bend and Canton and the Scottish Rite temple at Hamilton, Ont. widely were they known as Masonic builders that S. Eugene Osgood was ppointed consulting architect for George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Washington Other homes for the Masons were built in Rochester, N. Y., Provi-lence, R. I., Bay City and Saginaw and the firm was consulting architect for the Masonic temple in Cin-

Osgood continued his offices in the Widdicomb building until the erection of the Herald building, which he designed. He later removed to the Monument Square

Life Member of Shrine.

He was a life member of the American Institute of Architects, which he joined in 1884. His fraternal affiliations were Masonic, with membership in York lodge DeMolai commandery and DeWitt Clinton consistory. He was a life member of the Shrine.

le was one of the early members f the Peninsular club but dropped out with advancing years. He be-longed to the Masonic Country club. is church connections were with ark Congregational.

Survivors, besides the son, are daughters, Mrs. William N. Corl and Fannie E. Osgood of Grand Rapids and a granddaughter, Mrs. Russell Thomas . Woodburne

Mrs. Osgood died in 1933.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 Friday at the home, 557 Rosewood-av., S. E., Rev. Edward Archibald Thompson officiating. Burial will be in Oak Hill cemetery.

Boulder Crashes In. Disturbs Breakfast

Jackson, Sept. 4.—(P)—A boulder sent aloft by a dynamite blast in a nearby gravel quarry crashed

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