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EDITORIAL

OUR DUTY TO THE UNFORTUNATE

We believe it would be a good policy for the legislature at the present time when taxpayers are feeling keenly the burden of taxation to move cautiously in the matter of appropriations and even more closely every measure calling for the creation of new commissions and establishing further state institutions, but that caution should not be carried to the point of crippling the service nor rejecting propositions demanding a just call upon the taxpayers.

In rapid social, economical and industrial changes, such as have characterized the past decade, there is certain to arise new problems which can not be ignored and pushed aside, under the plea of economy or retrenchment, without eventually causing harm and increased expense. This is particularly true of the highway improvement demands throughout the state, traffic conditions in villages and cities, drainage and sewer necessities. These should not be neglected, nor is there a demand for curtailment, except in regard to costs. A dollar's worth of improvement for every one hundred cents expended is what is meant by the economy cry.

Among the bills introduced in the present legislature is one calling for an appropriation of \$475,000 for the construction of a home for crippled children to be known as the Michigan Convalescent School for Crippled Children where will be provided treatment for deformed boys and girls of the state.

This is a most commendable project, recommended by the Michigan Society for Crippled Children and should be given serious consideration. It should not be swept aside in a grand gesture of economy and retrenchment.

The turning of a deaf ear by the legislators to the demands for new laws and new commissions for the regulation of all sorts of social ills will meet with hearty approval. The appeal of the helpless and unfortunate should not go unheard.

NOW ANOTHER STENCH

With every prod a new and stronger stench emanates from Detroit official circles.

Hardly does an officially favored bootlegger, gambler or dive keeper come up for trial but it transpires that the records of his case have been so mutilated, or important documents are missing from the files as to make his conviction impossible or cause delay of the trial.

The heads of departments regularly make a grand flourish but succeed in dislodging but few of the culprits from their hold on office.

A recent prod into municipal court records revealed the fact that the city has been systematically mulcted of considerable money by means of fraudulent witness fee orders. A son of Sheriff Stein, who holds a responsible position in the records court, is charged in the confession of one of the crooks working the game with being the head of the ring and with getting the lion's share of the plunder. He probably will claim that he is "being framed."

There are many competent and courageous judges, police officers and other officials in Detroit, but they are badly handicapped in their work by departments that are honeycombed with rotten spots.

Never undertake any job with the intention of giving it less than your best effort.

Knowledge, if cumulative always pays dividends and often declares an extra ten per cent.

Genius has been defined as the ability to see one's activity in true perspective—to lift our heads above the rut of routine.

If close hobbing continues in favor, we predict that the mer will go back to whiskers and challenge the women to follow them.

OUT OF FOCUS

(Dearborn Independent)
A gentleman who was in Mexico when religious riots were supposed to be at their height returned to the United States and was eagerly questioned about them. He replied that there had been one. Surprised, his host produced files of New York and Boston newspapers showing that Mexico City, on the date in question, was the scene of frightful tumult between troops and people. The gentleman remained firm in his statement that he was frequently in all parts of the city, knew intimately the condition referred to and that there was nothing even remotely resembling the situation which people of the United States were led to imagine from the reading of newspaper reports.

An American gentleman was in Europe and, of course, eager for American news. He sought the European newspapers eagerly, both those in foreign languages and those printed in English. He gathered from their columns that the American people had abandoned all other business to go out man shooting. His home happened to be Detroit, and in Paris he read day after day exciting stories which almost led him to believe that the entire population of the city was in battle with highwaymen and bank-robbers.

On reaching home, he looked up the local newspapers of the time and was left wondering why such pains were taken to cable so much local news across the world. But he understood better than he had ever been able to do before the foreign idea that the Wild West begins at the borders of New York City.

Thousands of Americans in the Orient have wondered why respect for the white man is breaking down, but they cease to wonder after they have seen the movie films shown in the Orient. If this is America shown in the films, the tribes of the African forest are infinitely preferable. Of course it is not America, but it is all the America that huge sections of the earth ever see.

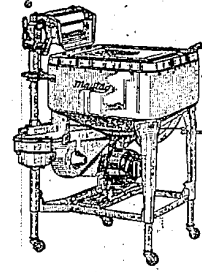
So that it seems we have to be on our guard against orange-colored journalism just as we ask other nations to be on their guard against misrepresentative pictures. The newspaper is the true movie, the real giver of pictures to the mind of the multitude, and if those pictures are all out of focus, mistaken ideas are born, from which mistaken actions may flow.

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stock Pontiac Six two door sedan recently completed a 'continuous' 120 hour economy and endurance mountain run in the northwest Pacific coast section. During this run, it averaged 26.2 miles to the gallon of gasoline.

The car was sent out by the R. Knox Roberts Motors, Portland, with Salt Lake City, Utah, as its objective, the round trip distance being 1,948 miles. Of the 120 hours non-stop trip, 34 hours and 20 minutes were occupied by the car standing with motor idling, while the actual driving time was 85 hours and 40 minutes. Of the 91 gallons of fuel used on the run, 17 were required during the time the motor was idling and 74 were used in propelling the car. Accurate measurements were taken before and after, as well as during the trip, so that the actual average of 26.2 miles to the gallon was gauged most accurately.

Approximately 900 miles of the trip were made over ice-covered roads, while rough roads of sticky mud prevented anything but slow progress in Idaho and Utah. In the Blue Mountains of Oregon, the Pontiac reached an elevation of 4,330 feet and in Utah range, 5,700 feet. Grades in these ranges were from 5 to 15 per cent.

When snow and ice were encountered in the mountains the car had to be handled with the utmost caution, as the assistance ordinarily derived from second or low gear was denied the drivers because the transmission was locked in high gear. The difficulty

of driving may also be gleaned from the fact that there were actually 76 hours of driving in darkness to 44 hours in the daylight. The car was driven by C. Pritchett, with W. T. Dooscher acting as relief pilot as well as official observer representing the A. A. A.



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IN

"THE TEMPTRESS"

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Lou Tellegan

IN

"THE THREE BAD MEN"

8th Episode of "The House Without a Key"

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Fred Thompson

IN

"A REGULAR SCOUT"

Comedy—"Plum Goofy"

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Jack Holt

in Zane Grey's Story

"MAN OF THE FOREST"

Comedy—"Howdy Dune"

News Reel



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