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Editorials

The Same Forty Centuries Ago

(The Medford Star News)
Forty centuries ago an Egyptian wrote upon his scroll an analysis of the times which sounds a great deal like it might have been written last week.

It went as follows:
"A few lawless men are depriving the land of sovereignty. The laws are cast out and men walk upon them in public. The lawbreaker is lord of wealth; the rich man has lost all. Scanty is gold; craft men are without work; the reaper of the harvest gets nothing, while he who plowed not profits. The land is depleted. There are more rulers than ever. I show thee a land turned upside down."
"A few lawless men..."
"The laws are cast out..."
"Craftsmen are without work..."
"The reaper of the harvest gets nothing while he who plowed not profits..."
"There are more rulers than ever..."

Forty centuries is a long time. But practically all of the above is pat to the present. And here we are all of us thinking that we are in the midst of something that never happened before. There have been tough times before and there will be tough times again. And all of us will be unprepared for them after any period of good times, and we will be just as sure to wish we had been more careful during the days of prosperity.

A Pause For Thought

A legislative bill of special interest to this section, and one which was expected a few weeks ago to go through the Legislature a-flying, has been brought to a halt just short of enactment at Lansing. It is the Moore bill, sponsored by the State Senator from this district, and chiefly intended for tax relief of this part of the State.

Until a week or so ago there was no opposition to the bill, which had received the Governor's approval and had been passed almost unanimously by the Senate and sent to the House. But there, instead of prompt passage, it has met delay. For there arose a sudden suspicion that however laudable and popular the end aimed at by the bill, the measure as it stood might not be the thing to correct the evils sought to be overcome—might, in fact, bring just the opposite result. This view was crystallized when five farm groups, representing leading agricultural interests of the State, joined in a protest against passage of the bill unless certain fundamental changes were made which might distinguish between the real, steady, conscientious taxpayer, now a victim of circumstances, and the confirmed tax-dodger. The farm groups wish to protect the former, but not the latter. The stand of these farm groups gave many of the representatives pause, brought immediate result, and already one influential representative, who visualizes danger ahead, has announced that he will fight the bill "to the limit."

Much as one applauds the purposes of the bill and the labors of its sponsor, it is well that there is to be debate and deliberation, rather than mere hasty enactment. There can be no objection to thorough discussion, and then if the measure convinces a majority of its merits, these will have been brought forth all the more clearly and strongly. If fatal defects are found, then it should fail, and better before enactment than after.

All of us have sharply in mind what has transpired regarding the Covert law. However desirable and progressive that measure may have been in conception, its purposes have been in past years so twisted and its possibilities so exploited that there has been for several years State-wide clamor for its repeal, and there has been heaped upon its sponsor an endless amount of criticism and recrimination, doubtless undeserved.

It is best, therefore, that any important bill having to do with matters relating to taxation be given the most careful thought and study—that it may not occur that we "act in haste and repent at leisure." There is much to think about when both farm leaders and men high in city property circles oppose some of its leading provisions. Against this there stands overwhelming approval of the bill by many leading citizens and public officials of Oakland County and adjoining territory, who regard it as "the way out" for property-owners of this part of the State. Rarely if ever has there been behind any legislative measure so far-reaching, such an apparent volume of support.

The outcome of the already bitter battle is uncertain; The difficulty here is the familiar one, and the disagreement that has cropped up is ages-old—a difference of opinion among men as to how best to accomplish a result which everyone desires, how to benefit those who deserve it without opening up wide opportunities for the clever and unscrupulous to seize upon to their own advantage, and to the greater detriment of the more worthy.

The darning attachment for the sewing machine is one of the most economical aids in mending the family hose, snagged or torn garments of cotton or wool, table linen, sheets and knit underwear. The mended place is very unobtrusive if a matching thread is used, and best of all it is a big time saver.

Send in your news items.

Oh! What A Kiss

Oh, what a kiss beneath the bough
I dreamed that beauty had somehow
Found me upon that summer day,
As 'neath the apple tree I lay.
I blush to tell about it now.

No kiss so sweet this I trow,
Did ever lovers' lips endow.
Like music faint and far away.
Oh, what a kiss, what a kiss!

Her silken hair, her queenly brow
Belong to gods I take my vow.
Don't ever leave me dear, just play
At lovers' games from June to May.
Alas, this Venus was a cow!

HARRY J. MERRITT,
Royal Oak, Mich.

CHURCHES

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor

Sunday masses at 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m.
Daily mass at 8:00.

Baptist Church
Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:10 Prayer period.
10:30 Morning Service.
11:45 Bible School.
6:30 Young People's Hour.
7:30 Evangelistic Service. The Clarenceville Oddfellow Lodge will be our guests at this service and the pastor will speak on "Abraham and Isaac, the Father and Son." Everyone is invited.
Monday, night 6:45 Father and Son Banquet.

Clarenceville Methodist Church.
O. J. Lyon, Minister

10:00 Morning worship.
11:00 Church school.
6:30 Epworth League.

Methodist Church
Rev. F. C. Johnson, Minister

Sunday morning Rev. F. C. Johnson will continue the series on the "Sermon of the Mount." He will also preach in the evening at 7:30.

We also cordially invite you to our Sunday School which meets at noon every Sunday and our Young Peoples Club at 6:30.

Prayer Service will be held as usual Wednesday evening at 7:30. Plan on attending church as much as possible during Lent to prepare your life for Easter.

We are happy to announce that Bishop Blake will be with us on the morning of March 26 to help us burn the mortgage of the church.

Evangelical Church
H. Niedendorfer, Pastor

Sunday 10:15 a. m. Divine Service. Choir will sing. Mrs. Edgar organist.

11:15 a. m. Sunday School. Mr. Erskine W. Evans, Superintendent.

Monday 8:00 p. m. The council will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Maas.

Wednesday the Ladies Aid will meet, also the Y. F. League and the Brotherhood at the usual time and place.

WAR ON RATS CAMPAIGN

A new rat poison known to the U. S. Biological Survey as "red squill" may be obtained from your County Agricultural Agent. The new poison which scientists have recently discovered is not harmful to human beings, domestic animals and poultry. Red squill is a perennial plant that grows along the Mediterranean Sea. The onion bulbs are sliced, dried and ground into fine powder and then mixed with food to serve as a rat bait. Red squill contains needle-like crystals that give the powder a stinging quality and an acid taste. For these reasons most animals will not eat the bait, but if they do, vomiting is induced and the poison is eliminated. Once the rats and mice eat red squill they are certain to die. Different baits should be used at all times. The bait is not eaten by hamsters, fish or cats. The bait has proven very successful.

U. S. SCHOOL—EXCEL
Ann Arbor—Americans every reason to feel satisfaction with their public schools, when compared with those of other countries, which are antiquated and largely given over to the propagation of nationalistic jingoism on youth rather than giving a practical education for life, states Professor O. W. Stephenson of the University of Michigan in the current Bulletin of the School of Education.

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR CROPS

East Lansing, Mich.—Prospects for profit in producing blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, peaches, apples, pears, and other fruits are good, light rains have been predicted recently by men interested in those branches of agriculture.

CLARENCEVILLE

Send in your news items.

The Oakland County nurse has been in attendance at the school each day for the prevention of scarlet fever.

On Friday evening the 10th grade are to hold a card party and dance at the L. O. O. F. hall.

Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Davey were Mr. and Mrs. David Wright and sons, Mr. and Mrs. James Monk and daughter of Detroit and Mrs. Milton Dailey of Northville.

The Sea Scouts of Ship Typhoon No. 408 of the Redford district are getting ready with other Sea Scouts throughout the state for a winter cruise. Ship Typhoon has a membership of 32, beside staff officers. Skipper L. W. Kerr and Skipper L. W. Carrier first mate and Ralph Schuler, second mate. This ship won 3rd place last year at the mid-winter cruise held at the Detroit Naval Armory. There will be 250 sea scouts who will take an active part in the program which will be held in the New Armory of Michigan State College Saturday February 25th at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Hess of Eight Mile Road have moved from Clarenceville.

Mrs. Willis T. Roberts and Mrs. Wm. Fox spent Wednesday morning in Pontiac on business.

Mrs. F. Wiesmeyer entertained the members of the teachers Club for bridge Wednesday evening at her home on Fourth Gate Road.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Weismeyer and Anthony Lawaki visited Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smith of Dearborn on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell and daughter were the guests of Miss Alvida Ryan of Lake Orion.

Mrs. Willis T. Roberts was hostess to the members of Edgewood Rebekah Lodge and friends Wednesday afternoon. Cards were played.

Mrs. Gertrude Martin of Colwell Avenue entertained twenty-six teachers of the John Grace and Clarenceville schools at a costume party last Thursday evening.

Marjorie Billing is ill at her home with scarlet fever. Mr. Billing with his four daughters, Joyce Betty, Cora and Clara are staying at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Billing of Purdies Brook Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rea of Detroit were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Menke Monday evening.

Mrs. George Ferris is visiting Mrs. Wm. Mauley in Chatham, Ontario.

Jack Mowan returned to his home in Mesick, Michigan on Monday after a week's visit with friends in this community.

Edgewood Rebekah Lodge entertained Committee held a card party at the home of Mrs. Wm. Laforge on Wednesday. Prizes were won by Mrs. H. Weltner, Mrs. Willis T. Roberts and Mrs. E. E. Goetz. Mrs. Richard Wanka and Mrs. H. Vivian of Detroit were present.

Wm. Laforge and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dehanke motored to Alpena where they attended the wedding of a relative.

The Girls service club and boy safety patrol enjoyed a skating party at Welches Pond on Friday afternoon, followed by a wienie roast.

He of Elvira Stolz who passed her primary examination in piano will receive her certificate from the Detroit Conservatory of Music. She is receiving certificates from Mr. M. Hardow, Henry Dehanke Jr., Henry Dehanke and Joe. Phyllis Brown.

AN ANCIENT LAW BOOK

Written on vellum in French and used as the book for legal writs former of Chancery of King Edward IV, whose reign ended one year before Columbus discovered the new world, the "Registrum Brevium" recently received by the University of Michigan Legal Research Library throws light on the ancient British law from which American law is descended. The book is the gift of Orla B. Taylor of Detroit, and adds to the collection of law books recently presented to the University.

WEST-POINT PARK

Mrs. William Zwahlen

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oulette and two daughters, Jerry and Doris of Detroit were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. William Sherman.

Frank Gould, Harry Wolfe, Sr., of West Point Park and Charles Wilson and Timmie Benderman of Farmington returned Monday from a fishing trip to Houghton Lake.

The monthly meeting of the Adult Bible class will be held next Thursday evening, March 2 at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Coolman and family were dinner guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanton at Lincoln Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Horvet and family of Detroit were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert. Miss Barbara Middlewood was home from Caro over the week end.

Mrs. Robert Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Elva Grant of Redford were guests Thursday of their sister, Mrs. Charles Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Owen and the latter's mother, Mrs. Milton Roberts of Detroit, were guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Owen.

The Ladies' Community Club will meet next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Albert Heichman.

Mrs. Fred Wood and daughter, Mrs. Clifford Shier and son Jim.

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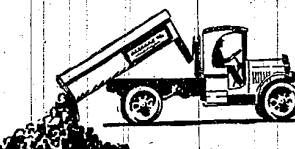
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