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EDITORIALS

Millions of Homes Needed

(Northville Record)

No less an authority than the American Federation of Labor says that 1,500,000 new homes are needed in the United States every year until 1945. In the next nine years, there could be built nearly twelve millions of homes.

The day of the big rambling homes is gone for the average family. The modern housewife and most of them are modern nowadays—wants hardwood floors, a bright kitchen with up-to-date plumbing, an adequate bathroom and good heating. With our mass production all of these wants can be satisfied in the modern home than can be built for a few thousand dollars.

One thing is sure—if people own their own homes there will be no danger of communism or socialism in this country. The greatest joys of life come from the home. Therefore, give the millions their homes and the United States will still be the greatest nation on the globe.

Aristocrat of Music

(Exchange)

Ossip Gabrilowitch was an aristocrat of music. Born in the Russia of the old regime, educated at St. Petersburg Conservatory, pupil of Rubinstein, Liszt, Glazounoff and Leschetizky, he remained a disciple of traditional art. Possessed of a superb technique, he was not an exponent of the so-called virtuosos of pianism. Music with him was always an art, a medium for the exhibition of personality. His brilliant abilities, his profound musicianship, were always placed at the service of the composer.

As an orchestral conductor, Gabrilowitch is usually ranked at a little lower level. He had not as yet won a position beside contemporaries like Toscanini, Koussevitzky or Stokowski. Nevertheless, his performance of a real service in the field of music alone. He had been since 1918 conductor of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and at that position he did much to increase knowledge and understanding of music in the Middle West of the United States. He raised the Detroit orchestra to high rank, and kept it there. He brought to his orchestral duties the same qualities that had made him great as a pianist. These qualities were not employed in vain. Gabrilowitch's career enriched the musical life of America and of the world.

Appeal to Mothers

(Exchange)

Mothers, your child is back in school after a summer of un supervised play, a summer of running about under grandfathers' farm, playing in resorts and camps. You have forgotten his previous training. In Stop, Look and Listen, therefore it would seem wise to accompany him to school the first few weeks.

Talk with him about traffic signs, teach him to use cross walks and not to dash through the middle of the street.

We learn by doing, and in this way you will establish a habit which will carry over when the child walks by himself. When you think he has become responsible, play a game with him, allowing him to lead you to school.

You will enjoy a new kind of companionship with your child, besides getting in some fine exercise.

Get the Basement Ready For Winter

(Exchange)

These are the days when the heating apparatus in home, office or factory might well be given a thorough overhauling and cleaning. Before the end of the month a cold blast may come out of the North and householders will be scurrying to the basement to "start something."

There is no form of neglect that is so costly as that relating to heating plants of any type. Even a thin coating of ashes on the inside of steam or hot water boilers reduces their efficiency twenty-five per cent. A heavy accumulation of ashes and soot can step up the loss to fifty per cent. What person wants to throw away half the money he invests for fuel? Either that is done or the house or other building is half-warmed.

Another reason for careful attention to the heating plant is that of the fire risk involved. The smoke pipe at the rear of the furnace may be honeycombed with rust. Many a home has been burned or seriously damaged by fire starting when a spark from the pipe dropped on the floor or into

refuse accumulated nearby and started a blaze. It is also highly important to make sure that the chimney is free from clogging soot and ash. A poor draft reduces the efficiency of the heating apparatus in a considerable degree.

There are two good reasons for cleaning the furnace and chimney before winter. One deals with efficiency. The other with the fire risk involved.

Good and Bad Habits

(Exchange)

Nearly everybody has both strong and weak points—good and bad habits. Some have more good than bad; others just the other way—more bad than good—judgment depending on the temperament and inherent tendency of the observing critic. Persons who are earning and/or talents are drawn together in the face of defects that would repel others. The one who holds high appreciation of integrity and candor or of fine intellectual or spiritual values is not largely influenced by material possessions. The fellow whose thinking is monopolized by the quest for money, is strongly inclined to base his appraisal of another on what he has earned or is earning and to let attributes of mind and character slide by as unimportant. The fact is, one may find good in nearly every person if he looks in a receptive frame of mind, and it is plainly unfair to give blanket condemnation when dislike or disagreement exists in only one point or in a minority of points. The individual who sees good only in himself—feels that noble purposes are restricted to himself—is of course a hopelessly twisted egotist.

Speed and the 8:15

A few days before the Queen Mary won the Blue Ribbon of the Atlantic, an English train traveled faster than any train, in the world. It was the 8:15, had ever traveled in any part of Britain before. The London and North Eastern engine, Silver Jubilee, at one point of its run from Newcastle to London, reached a speed of 112 miles an hour. The competition of road transport, especially in a small country like Great Britain, is records are increasing.

It is not everything, it is said "that the Curry Sock, the most famous windjammer in the world, never won a single one. When the initial excitement is over, for example, comfort probably counts far more with average passengers than do a couple of minutes knocked off a five-hour journey. In this respect, if the reports are accurate, the Silver Jubilee may well be proud of herself. At the moment that she was putting up her record, the Curry Sock was being stirred, and it is reported none of the passengers noticed that anything unusual was happening.

Autumn Days

(Exchange)

The most beautiful days of the year are at hand. It is too bad that so many summer visitors in Michigan have had to return to their home in some other state. Parents with children entering school were obliged to be on hand for the classroom as school was organized this week. But many others leave about the first of September who are unaware of the perfect temperatures and lovely quiet days that are now for six weeks to two months.

The outside visitor who is not aware of the fascinating charm of the Michigan autumn season should "try it once." The lazy hours of the gathering period, the glorious color of the turning foliage as Autumn advances, and the healthy air all tend to place Michigan high in esteem.

Years ago it was necessary to plan the summer resort season for a shorter period and to look for completion about the first or second week in September. But conditions have so greatly changed that it is no longer a wonder that hotel keepers and those interested in an extended season do not take full advantage of the opportunity. It needs to be cultivated by education and each one might profitably do his share by explaining the facts.

Perhaps the broadcasting companies might be induced to furnish part of a child's high school part of the boys who want to make political speeches.

SIX DECADES OF TELEPHONE HISTORY REVEAL REMARKABLE GROWTH OF THIS VITAL SERVICE

Sixtieth Anniversary of Bell's Invention Finds Telephony World-wide in Extent

This year marks the beginning of the seventh decade of telephone history.

In the six decades that have passed, the telephone has become one of the most important inventions of modern times, the telephone industry has evolved into a \$5,000,000,000 enterprise in this country alone, and the telephone itself has become one of the most used and most useful adjuncts of present-day life.

Dates From March 10, 1876

Each of the preceding six decades has been epoch-making. Each has produced some outstanding development in telephone history that has played its part in meeting America's growing communication needs. They are the result of investigation and experiment and scientific research, without which these accomplishments would have been impossible.

The first decade of telephone history began on March 10, 1876, when the first complete and intelligible sentence of speech ever transmitted by wire was spoken by Alexander Graham Bell in his laboratory in Boston. The telephone switchboard was introduced commercially in 1878 and this made possible intercommunication—the basis of modern service. Before the first decade of telephone history was completed, Boston and New York had been connected by an overhead line and it then became possible to talk by telephone a distance of 235 miles.

Development of Cables Was Epochal

In the second decade, from 1886 to 1896, as a result of the cumulative effect of improvements and inventions in telephone apparatus and equipment, long distance transmission was extended as far west as Chicago and St. Louis. In this period, underground cable development increased, and in 1887 the successful introduction of twisted pair conductors paved the way for the extensive use of cables. Dry-core paper-insulated cables, first adopted as standard in 1890, also began to play an important part in providing telephone service.

Telephony's third decade, ending in 1896, saw long distance transmission extended still further westward. It also marked the introduction of Young Athletes.

The oath of the young Athenians was "We will never bring disgrace on this our city by an act of dishonesty or cowardice. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the city, both alone and with many. We will reverse and obey the city's laws and will do our best to facilitate a like reverence and respect in those above us who are known to us as men or set them at naught. We will strive increasingly to quicken the public sense of civic duty. Thus in all these ways we will transmit this city not only less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

Birds' Feathers Fade

Certain species of brightly colored birds, in Africa and South America, have a unique kind of water-soluble pigment in their feathers which is permanently washed away the first time they are caught in a heavy rainstorm. These birds remain white until new plumage is grown.—Frank A. Walker, Pontiac, Mich., in Collier's Weekly.

Frequent Mistake

"One who offers supplications for himself alone," said R. B. Ho, sage of Chinatown, "too often mistakes his purse for his prayer book."

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WHO ARE YOU?

The Romance of Your Name

By RUBY HASKINS ELLIS

A Grout?

THE name of Grout had its origin in central Germany at a very early time, and was first spelled Gros, then Grotte. In Prussia it was spelled Gross.

This name is supposed to have been brought into England by Flemish weavers during the period between the middle and latter part of the Twelfth century. In England it developed into Gress, Grouse and Groutte.

Richard Groutte of Walton county, Derby, England, was knighted in 1387. He claimed to be a descendant of an ancient family of the name in the West of England.

The founder of the American family of Grout was John Waterbury, Mass., who was a loyal patriot and sturdy pioneer, serving the colonies in their early struggles and colonial wars. He died in Sudbury, Mass.

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Fear the White Man

Travelers to unknown Africa report that the sudden appearance of a white man in a village which has never seen one before inspires terror almost beyond relief.

At the end of the first decade of telephone history, there were 155,000 telephones in the United States. At the beginning of 1936 the number had increased to 325,000, and in 1906, to 4,125,900. The gain in the thirty years since then has been so great that at the beginning of the present year the number of telephones in the United States was nearly 17,500,000 and the number of telephone employees was 293,000.

Earth Around the Sun

Copernicus, born in a German section of Poland and partly of German stock, wrote a book to tell why he believed the earth moved around the sun. He said that the earth was really a planet and that all the planets traveled around the sun. That was a shocking thing to say in those days. Copernicus appears to have been afraid to publish his book, but at last it went to the printer. We are told that the first printed copy was placed in his hands when he lay dying. His death took place 23 years after Magellan's ship, the "Victoria," finished the famous voyage around the world.

The American Act

The American act was an act passed by the British parliament in 1775, consolidating all the previous penal acts relating to the American colonies. It declared that all American vessels were lawful prizes, and that all Americans captured in them, or elsewhere, could be forced to take service against America. Commissioners were appointed to receive the submission of the revolted colonies, but no provisions were made for the redress of grievances.

Foul Bay, Red Sea

Part of the Red sea is known as Foul bay—it's on the Egyptian side.

Old-fashioned lamps with dark shades and closed tops focused a small pool of bright light in one spot and left the rest of the room in murky shadow. Even when one sat directly under the lamp, the sharp contrast between the light and the surrounding darkness was trying on the eyes. All this has been changed with the modern new 3-light lamp.

A light shade with a light lining—open at both top and bottom—throws a great deal of light into the room. The lamp has a diffusing bowl under the shade, which throws part of the light upward to the ceiling, and this is reflected back and spread over a large area, eliminating harsh shadows and providing roomwide light. The bowl also diffuses the downward light, so that it is soft and pleasant, without glare.

The Sight Meter will show you instantly why this lamp is superior to your present lamps. To guard eyesight and make reading, writing, sewing and other seeing tasks easy and comfortable, choose a 3-light lamp for your living room. You will be amazed at the difference it makes!

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Rabies in Dogs
Long-haired dogs are less apt to have rabies than short-haired ones, according to the American Medical Association Journal, because long hair often removes saliva from the teeth of infected attacking dogs.

Wealth
Wealth, for nations or individuals, is only moral when it is acquired by moral ends, and the greatest of moral ends is the evolution of humane social relations and conditions.

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