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EDITORIALS

Banning of Firearms

(Exchange)
Former Commissioner Whalen of New York favors legislation to prohibit the sale of firearms, the theory that criminals would thereby be unable to get them. This brings up an old question, in which there is room for argument on both sides, but we doubt that a no-gun law would help much.

The trouble is that a professional crook would find a way or unwise means, to get his gun anyway. Even if all firearms were required to be registered it would take another army of inspectors to keep track of them, besides, every criminal would provide himself with a good-sized arsenal before the law could be put into effect.

Maybe the sole object sought by Mr. Whalen could be accomplished the other way around—by making it compulsory for everybody to carry a gun after sundown. Then the crooks would have a less advantage.

Spring Planting, Fall Planting

(Exchange)
These are doubly busy days for agricultural America. In addition to spring planting, the husbandman is busy sowing a diversified crop which will culminate sometime this autumn in a yield of prodigious pumpkins, stupendous squash, etc., and the corn. This additional activity, which implies the stirring up of mental rather than of physical furrows, consists in fixing fall fair dates, for those gatherings of agricultural class—agronomical assemblies to which each family brings the choicest fruits of field and products of pasture to compete for coveted ribbons, meanwhile refurbishing friendships.

There will be exhibits of dainty "grown up" farm products by members of the Four-H Club, as well as displays of quite matronly appearing cakes and dainty dresses by the affiliated "co-eds," arrays of home-canned corn and summer fruits by the ladies of the Farm Bureau auxiliary, not to mention the fancifully finger-wave "baby beebes" of the Cal Club.

And, of course, there will be symposiums of the soil, lectures by experts imported for the occasion from the nearby "cow college," which, although its name may have been changed from "Agricultural" to "State" by act of legislature, still is called, as a tribute of friendly affection, by its pastoral neologism.

Radio and motorcar may have swept many of the old-time occasions into the limbo of outmoded things, but, shaped to conform to the demands of progress, in thousands of towns and villages, all approaching autumn will see, in the guise of the "county fair," the very substantial "lyceum of Oldland" still carrying on. By all means, set the date now, and postponements make no news in months to come.

Fear of Arrest

(Exchange)
In many ways cities police records show that the number of accidents decrease in proportion to the number of arrests for traffic violations. So it would seem that there is a way to decrease accidents if the proper steps are taken.

Every time a judge feels sorry for some violator and is lenient he can be certain he'll meet the violator again. But when the careless driver must reach down in his pocket and pay for his carelessness he is going to think twice before he lets it happen again.

When ever a police department announces an enforcement campaign it is amazing to note how careful some folks drive. Once the campaign ends they fall back into their reckless habits. The answer apparently, is to let it be understood that close vigilance will be observed and laws enforced every day in the year.

Skilled Labor Shortage

(Exchange)
The Department of Labor was of a possible shortage in skilled workers. This is due to the fact that in a depression when there is abundant occupations cease to train new workers to supply normal losses due to death, disability, etc. When business picks up it often tops its previous speed and more labor of the skilled type is in demand.

This report should be encouraging to those on relief, to those in

relief jobs who are seeking better employment, and to those who are not satisfied with present jobs. If these workers would get in touch with employment agencies they may receive aid in following employment trends and in finding where training can be had to qualify them for skilled jobs.

Tourist Revenue

(Exchange)
Landowners, hotel keepers, resort proprietors and merchants in Michigan which rightly boast of magnificent highways and beautiful scenery, have begun to recognize that revenue from tourists increase in proportion as billboards and other roadside annoyances decrease. After all the tourist travels to see inspiring panoramas, gently rolling hills, tranquil lakes, rushing rivers. It is not strange that he prefers beauty not too frequently punctuated by the billboard and its legion of inharmonious relatives.

Overlooking Opportunity

(Exchange)
One of the great mysteries of life, to our way of thinking, is the spectacle of the man who goes about cussing Wall Street and then spends his money with the very fellows who will cart it east as fast as they can.

Michigan is, a great place to make money. From farm to factories, far better than the average country over. If the profits made in Michigan were spent in Michigan or invested in Michigan the money leaders of our minds could be dismissed from our minds.

Bills Hurried Through

(Exchange)
As a legislature nears the end of session it frequently finds itself confronted with a large amount of legislation that is apt to receive too hurried consideration. Often this is exactly what is desired by sponsors of bills who do not want time to elapse between introductions of measures and their passage because they fear an aroused public opinion.

All legislation of prime importance to the people should be introduced far enough in advance that public hearings can be given, and public opinion sounded.

Freshening Breezes

(Exchange)
The darkest hour is only 60 minutes long.

Vows made in storms are forgotten in calms.

Man first works for an education and then education works for him.

Common sense and courtesy will help to make our highways safer.

The first defeat should be the first step up the ladder of accomplishment.

How much better the old days were when meals were opened with blessings instead of can openers.

Aside from destroying the beauty of the open country numerous highway surveys are presented by traffic experts to prove that billboards tend to distract drivers' speeds through the wide open spaces, must devote their entire attention to the roadway and steering wheel if serious accidents are to be avoided.

Sometimes it seems that the purpose of education now-days is to teach our children to be rapid sign readers.

In olden times it was—"those who go down to the sea in ships," now it is "those who go into the mountains in airplanes."

Three children is a right sized family for along with pa and ma one package of gum will just go round.

Diplomacy is the art of letting someone's have your way.—Anon.

Tell me thy company and I will tell thee what thou art.—Cervantes

IMPROVING MICHIGAN ROADSIDES

VI. AN AID TO THE FUTURE

Every state which undertakes a roadside improvement program is soon confronted by the fact that lack of roadside control can and usually does destroy 50 per cent of the beauty attained by design, preservation and planting.

The solution of the problem need have hardship on no one. It is not conceivable that any commercial interest in Michigan nor any highway builder would voluntarily want to destroy or mar. Naturally no business wants to be crocheted upon in a detrimental manner.

Zoning is the answer, the creation of scenic zone highways and scenic zones with commercial routes such a system will leave ample centers for advertising purposes where advertising will be most effective and it will afford stretches where people can drive and escape from those things they seek to escape and relaxation.

But zoning cannot be accomplished without legislation and legislation is not possible without a close approach to the problem. Understanding and consideration therefore become of paramount necessity.

Legislation Imperative

Roadside control legislation is imperative in Michigan as elsewhere. Otherwise complete or near complete obliteration of the state's right will be accomplished at least so far as the roadsides are concerned and these roadsides are the first step in selling the state and making it a more enjoyable place in which to live.

Cities zone and it is not a far removed step to feel that rural highways can be zoned with fairness and without stepping on the figure of the province of business.

Then legislation must provide ample time to make the necessary changes without working hardships. Legislation must also invest authority to enforce the law in the proper state department and certainly the highway department is where the enforcement belongs because it is obvious that group is already familiar with the problem. To close to it.

Epworth League News

By Douglas Parker
The meeting for next Sunday, March 7th, will be under the guidance of Charles Wellington, our musical treasurer. Although he has not as yet divulged what the nature of the meeting will be, leaguers can rest assured that it will be interesting. It is hoped that a good sized crowd will be on hand to hear him.

Final reservations are being accepted for the big league rally at Ann Arbor, Friday night. A large number have already made plans to attend and those who haven't done so are urged to make their reservations. It is expected that a crowd of at least 40 leaguers will be on hand to make the trip. Transportation will be provided. All cars will leave the church at 5:30 sharp.

Sixty-one leaguers, an all-time high for this group, were in attendance last Sunday night to hear an address by Mr. Cummings, of Detroit. Mr. Cummings presented a highly interesting insight into the habits and customs of the people of the Orient. His discourse was both amusing and educational and was greatly enjoyed by the large crowd present.

The editor of the Epworth Echo, the league paper, has announced the addition of 2 new members to his staff. Miss Edith Smith has been assigned to the post of general news manager and Miss Carol Harger has been added to the editorial staff. The acquisition of these two writers is expected to greatly enhance the value of the paper.

"Sound Your Horn," the league's bright three-act comedy is swinging along nicely and "Director Stubbs" is said to be very pleased by our talent. . . . An interesting time is in store for those who attend our Sunrise breakfast this year. . . . Mr. Stubbs is completing arrangements. The crowds that have been turning out for our meetings lately have left our sponsors in a happy frame of mind. . . . let's keep them that way.

OFFERS TO EXCHANGE FARM PRODUCTS FOR FURNITURE

An unusual offer, reminiscent of the early days of bartering, is announced in the advertisement of L. J. McLean in this issue of The Enterprise. Mr. McLean offers to accept hogs, calves, poultry, corn, cats, and baled alfalfa at current market prices in exchange for new or used furniture which he is now showing at his newly-opened store at 27340 Grand River, one block south of Eight Mile Road.

Mr. McLean, who opened his store on Grand River approximately a month ago, lives on his 30-acre farm on Halsted Road. He also specializes in selling small farms.

James and Mrs. Layn will be among those of the Past Noble Grand club of Edgewood. Rebecca Lodge to be entertained at a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Roberts of Clarenceville, on Saturday evening.



SAY THESE ENTHUSIASTIC USERS WHEN ASKED ABOUT THEIR

ELECTRIC RANGE

Do you like your electric range? *Very much.*
What feature do you like best about it? *Very much because it cooks so fast, and is so clean. How too I appreciate being able to put meat in the oven, getting clean dishes washed, and cooking my food.*

Do you like your electric range? *I certainly do.*
What feature do you like best about it? *Cleanliness.*
Remarks or suggestions *It is also so quick, you have instant heat and it's so uniform. Everything tastes better.*

Do you like your electric range? *yes*
What feature do you like best about it? *cleanliness.*
Remarks or suggestions *It is almost impossible to point out one feature. My range is such a source of enjoyment it is hard for me not to eulogize. My husband bought the electrical range against my wishes. Now I wouldn't be without it.*

*Cards were sent to users of electric ranges and these are some of the replies. Learn for yourself how many advantages you enjoy with an electric range... features no other stove will give you!

SEE THE NEW ELECTRIC RANGES ON DISPLAY AT DEPARTMENT STORES, ELECTRICAL DEALERS, AND THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY

We Specialize In Job Printing!

You Can Depend on the Man Who ADVERTISES

Nine times out of ten you will find that the man who advertises is the man who most willingly returns your money if you are not satisfied.

He has too much at stake to risk losing your trade or your confidence. You can depend on him.

He is not in business for today or tomorrow only... but for next year and ten years from next year. He knows the value of good-will.

You get better merchandise at a fairer price than he could ever hope to sell if he did not have the larger volume of business that comes from legitimate advertising and goods that bear out the promise of the printed word.

Don't miss the advertisements. This very day they call your attention to values that tomorrow you will be sorry you overlooked.

NEVER
BEFORE SUCH A
SMOOTH SHAVING BLADE
at this low price!

NOW!
PROBAK JUNIOR
4 blades
for 10¢

Also in packages of 25 for 50¢

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Probak Junior fits all Gillette and Probak razors