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EDITORIALS

It's Really Fun (Exchange)

"Oh, you can expect that from him. He gets a lot of fun out of finding fault and kicking. His greatest pleasure lies in refusing to cooperate with others."

We've heard people make such remarks when referring to some cantankerous individual, who finds that the entire community is out to get him. But we cannot agree. We do not believe anybody derives pleasure out of kicking and complaining. We have found ourselves on a few occasions playing that part of the kicker, too, and we can never say that we were particularly happy at the time we were finding fault with the honest and sincere efforts of others.

We've found it much more fun to work in harmony with others, to cooperate with our fellow citizens for the promotion of community affairs, and to offer a pleasant word of praise for what somebody else is endeavoring to accomplish.

If your disposition makes it just a bit difficult for you to work with others, just change your attitude and give the new point of view a trial. You will soon discover that it is fun to do your part in the upbuilding of our fine community.

Mirth in the Afternoon (Christian Science Monitor)

Mr. A. P. Herbert, who, besides being an M. P., is an English author, or whose humor is justly celebrated, remarked lately that the most difficult time to be funny is between three and four in the afternoon. It seems a little unfair that great humorists in their efforts to leave "footprints on the sands of time" should have a difficulty, beyond that of other great men, with the sand that runs through the hourglass between three and four o'clock. However, they can rise to the occasion; and those of us who go to matinees at the theater will agree that the hour can produce the same.

But man "a jest's prosperity lies in the ear of him that hears it." It may be we, the world at large, who are really being indited. Are we dull in the afternoon? Most of us are busy, certainly, at that time, and perhaps prone to consider humor as out of season—yet when it comes to us then, is it not the more appreciated as a delicacy? Does it not come with that element of surprise that is an essential factor in humor?

Why may not always be welcome; but humor, of the genuine, kindly sort, always finds us at home, whether its call is at afternoon call or not. Let us hope, therefore, that our humorists will not be unduly dismayed by any maxims that bid them look upon "the dial" like Touchstone, "with lack-luster eye"—we hope they will, rather, adopt Benedick's phrase to themselves, and not let "sentences and these paper-bullets of the brain, save a man from the career of his humor."

Loose-Leaf Thinkers (Exchange)

Some people make the latest book they read their master. The last opinion heard on the street is their own. Anybody's snap judgment is good enough for them. They have the loose-leaf mind, into which is tucked every vagrant fancy, every new fad.

As the materials of thought in these people are gathered without discrimination so are the energies of these people scattered. Their powers are dissipated. They hold to no one thing long enough to work it for all its worth. No sooner than one rosy prospect begins to show thorns than they grow dissatisfied and look around for another field of exploration. To such minds, common sense and good judgment mean nothing. They are governed by their impressions and carried by vacillation in life, no principle. The latest whim is their absolute master.

Naturally, to such people the world presents a series of bad beginnings. They never get beyond the drudgery stage in any of them. As the habit of indecision grows with the years, before they know it life has been gambled away on a series of false tips. Because they have flattered and flattered, they have gotten nowhere.

Many industries of national rank are planning to erect their new buildings for the 1939 World's Fair at San Francisco.

How Orphans Lose Out (Exchange)

Jos. Harrington, writing in the McCall's magazine, tells how he and Mrs. Harrington tried for many months to adopt a child, without success. He states that 10,000 families applied for children last year without obtaining them, even though the orphanages are bristling with children.

One of the chief reasons for such a situation is that unless a home has its full quota of orphans it will not receive its full subsidy and many employees would be thrown out of jobs. We sympathize with anyone who strives to hold a job but regret that by doing so these people are denying thousands of children their right to a normal life and happiness.

A guarantee by wealthy sponsors or by the state that institutions would be open even though empty of children, might help solve the problem.

Security (Exchange)

The other day we read in Dr. Joseph Fort Newton's column, a query from one of his readers how the good Doctor kept his fine faith all of the time with sorrow and insecurity all about him—as it must be with him as well as every one else today. And this was the manner in which Dr. Newton answered.

A man wrote a play once in which the leading character was given a view into his future life and consequently knew every single thing that was going to happen to him the rest of his life with the exception of the next three months. He knew every single question he would be asked, he knew every answer he would make, he knew where he would go, what he would do, when this and when that was going to happen, but he did not know what was going to happen to him the next minute. Consequently that is what began to trouble him. Finally he lived out the three months in which he did not know what was going to happen to him. These became the most precious moments of his life.

Don't you think this would be true of us all? It is the uncertainty of life that makes it rich with meaning. The occasional, fleeting bits of happiness which add lustre to life would certainly lose their beauty and goodness if we knew about them beforehand. Therefore, let us be content with what we have, for it is the unexpected that makes life so real, and we should all be happy in not knowing what the future holds for any of us.

Cutting Auto Fatalities (Exchange)

What to do with the injured following auto mishaps on highways and rural lanes is becoming increasingly important in gasless-conscious America. The people on the highways continue to be hurt," says A. W. Knight, in the Rotarian Magazine, "they must be cared for. Not just when a physician and an ambulance are at hand, but at once, there at the roadside! Sprung blood must be checked, fractured limbs splinted before moving, shocked victims made to lie flat to conserve body temperature fast fading from a retarded circulation."

Thanks to the Red Cross and cooperating groups, roadside first aid stations attended by trained humanitarians are administering to the needs of thousands suffering from traffic accidents. Many lives are being saved and suffering greatly mitigated.

"In the United States," continued Mr. Knight, "the American Red Cross, acting in cooperation with the state and local police, public utility and other groups, has established 1,300 first aid posts on through routes from coast to coast. Not only that, but 3,500 additional highway stations will soon be completed by a mechanized army of trained first-aiders regularly patrolling the highway on motorcycle, in police radio car and light truck, who can get to the scene of accident in a hurry."

"More than 5,000 persons have already received the required training to serve at the highway first-aid posts. At least two of the attendants of each post must be certified, but in addition native residents have taken advantage of Red Cross technical training and women serve without pay as Red Cross volunteers. They are America's 'Samaritans,'"

Auditor-General Issues Warning on Back Taxes

Issuing a note of warning to delinquent tax-payers, Auditor General George T. Gundry again calls attention to the fact that after September 1st, the delinquent tax-payer will automatically, come under the provisions of Act 28, passed by the 1937 Legislature, an Act which leaves no option to public officials on the matter of property delinquent for taxes.

After September 1st, Mr. Gundry points out "If the 1936 taxes are not paid in full, and if the matured installments of 1932 and prior years have not been paid, and if the first installment of 1933, 1934 and 1935 taxes have not been paid, (prior to September 1st), the tax-payer has completely lost his opportunity to take advantage of the ten payment plan."

"If payments are made before September 1st, here is a saving in fees amounting to 34 1/2% on 1933 tax, 25 1/2% fees on 1934 tax, and 16 1/2% fees on 1935 tax."

The penalty for default of any installment is that the entire balance of the tax is offered for sale at the next tax sale, which is in May 1938.

County treasurers, continues Mr. Gundry, are greatly encouraged by the response to the State and County advertising concerning delinquent tax collections and it is anticipated that by the time September 1st is reached, that the total delinquency for taxes will be substantially reduced.

SPECIAL PHONE SYSTEM SERVED "CITY OF FEZ"

Shriners' Convention in Detroit Brought Multitude of Visitors; Telephone Co-ordinated Program

When the North American Shrine convention was held in Detroit, Mich., early this summer, a special telephone set-up was arranged to meet the communication needs of the 10,000 to 15,000 visitors and for handling the convention itself.

"Fez City" Created Over Night

By train, steamship, bus, airplane and automobile, the Shriners arrived in the automotive city. The Shriners stayed only three or four days; other thousands remained a week or longer. From various of the Great Lakes ports came six great steamships, loaded with conventioners. From scores of inland cities came 75 special trains, all loaded to capacity. Docked at the Detroit river piers, the lake steamers served as floating homes for their passengers, each a city in itself. In the railway station yards the special trains and their passengers formed other colonies.

The intricate creation of the "City of Fez" brought a complex management problem. Forty-two committees worked for months to perfect arrangements. Co-ordinating with them the Michigan Bell Telephone Company added to Detroit's regular telephone system of 40 central offices and a third of a million telephones, an extensive telephone system created especially for the convention.

Provisions Made for Visitors

The heart of the special system was a switchboard serving 35 incoming trunk lines and 60 intercommunicating telephones. An information bureau was set up with 15 waiting lines, located on an eight-position table. Besides a large group of public telephones permanently held in reserve at hotels and railway stations for such events, 30 additional public telephones were provided. Some were on the six lake liners and others served the railway coach "cities." Still others were located at strategic points about downtown Detroit. The switchboard and information bureau required the attendance of 32 operators to assure prompt handling of calls and the dispensing of accurate information.

A special telephone circuit along the line of march was installed for handling the three big day and night parades. Along the lines of march were located four jack-outlets, the circuit terminating at the chief dispatcher's booth in the gigantic reviewing stand, located at the City Hall. Parade marshals equipped with headset receivers and breastplate transmitters kept the dispatcher posted on the location of parade units.

Public Address Systems Installed

Three public address systems were installed to lend a mighty volume to even the softest voice, for general announcements, information, the projection of addresses. There were eight horns in Grand Circus park, the center of the downtown section; eight at the City Hall reviewing stand, and 30 along Washington Boulevard. The systems were arranged so that they could be operated individually or as a chain.

But that was not all of the Telephone Company's problem. For, based on previous convention experience, arrangements were made to handle an increase of 15 per cent in toll calls during the period.

CHURCHES

All notices for this column must be in the Enterprise office not later than Tuesday at noon.

Redford Gospel Tabernacle
18000 Lasher Road
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Pentecostal prayer and praise service, 11:00 a. m.
Evangelistic service, 7:45 p. m.
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Clareneville M. E. Church
Rev. Guin, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Church service, 11:15 a. m.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor
Sunday masses at 7:00 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 12:00. Benediction after 10:30 masses. Daily masses at 7:30 a. m., and 8:00 a. m.

Methodist Episcopal Church
Rev. Delmore Stubbs, Pastor
Morning Worship at 10:30.
Church School at 11:00.

First Baptist Church
Gilbert A. Miles, Pastor
Morning Prayer Meeting, 10:15.
Morning Worship, 10:30.
Bible School, 11:15.
Junior and Senior B.Y.P.U., 6:30 P. M.
Evening, Evangelistic Service, 7:30.

Salvem Evangelical Church
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30.
Worship Service 10:30.

The Ladies' Aid will meet Wednesday, September 1. The Brotherhood will meet at the same date. There will be no services the last Sunday in August and the first Sunday in September.

WEST POINT PARK

Two carloads of friends from Wayne and vicinity arrived at the home of Clinton Ault Monday evening and helped him celebrate his birthday. Several relatives and neighbors also dropped in and the occasion was made a very pleasant and memorable one.

The Ladies Community Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Charlotte Wolfe on Wednesday afternoon, the first of September.

Miss Olive Grinnard of Farmington, was the Saturday night guest of Miss Shirley Zwalhen. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Way, son Lawrence, accompanied by Mrs. Austin Ault and daughters, Miss Virginia, Phyllis and Helen Ruth, left for Washington, Pennsylvania, Saturday. The Way family stayed for the weekend only, but Mrs. Ault and girls are remaining for a two-weeks' visit with relatives in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bosley and sons, Delbert and David, of Akron, Ohio were callers on relatives in West Point Park last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Keyser of Detroit were guests of Russell Ault, Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Ault visited friends in Wayne last Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Johnson spent the week-end in Lansing. While there they attended the wedding of Mr. Johnson's sister, Miss Edna Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Zwalhen, daughter, Miss Shirley and Mrs. Margaret Martin were Sunday guests of Captain and Mrs. O. Duncan at their cottage at Bolo. Mrs. Martin stayed over for an extra day.

Mrs. Edward Strosomski of Wayne was the guest Saturday of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Addis and daughters, Shirley and Jean, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold McVicia and son Harold Junior were guests Sunday of Mrs. Addis' brother, Lynn Sharpe and family of Jackson.

Don Heichman is spending his week-ends at Harbor Beach, where he is taking driving lessons.

Mrs. Eleanor Sharpe of Howell was the weekend guest of her aunt, Mrs. Marvin Addis and family.

Mrs. A. R. Hall and granddaughter, Doris Hall of Youngstown, Ohio, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gillespie.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Zwalhen were guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerger. Mrs. Harry Wolfe and son Donald are the guests of her daughter, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith of Detroit.

"Knowledge"

Crowns have their compass—length of days their date—Triumphs their tomb—felicity, her fate—Of thought but earth can earth make us partaker, make us partaker.

But knowledge, makes a king most like his Maker,—Shakespeare

'WAY BACK WHEN



FAMOUS SONG WRITER KEPT A BOARDING HOUSE

I WONDER how many of the I women who are just simple little housewives today would be famous, if they had the time to take from demands of their homes and families.

Carrie Jacobs Bond made her success because a use circumstances forced her to change from a housewife to a business woman. She was born in Janesville, Wisconsin, in 1863. She liked music and studied piano from childhood until she married at the age of eighteen. When she was twenty-five, she married Dr. Frank L. Bond, who took a sympathetic interest in her music and encouraged her to compose. She wrote one song, "Is My Dolly Dearest?" at that time and it was accepted; but the work was merely a hobby with her and she did not produce more. She devoted her time and efforts to being a good housewife and mother for the Doctor and her little boy. Then, Dr. Bond was killed in an accident and she was left an invalid without money, and an eight-year-old son.

Carrie Jacobs Bond did not lose heart. She rented a large house in Chicago and took in roomers. She made some money as a dressmaker and painting china. They were so poor that her son had to go to work soon thereafter as a delivery boy. Ambitiously, she devoted all her spare time to composing songs. Through financial support from a woman singer she started a small music publishing house, writing the words and music, and painting the cover designs of the songs she printed. She even promoted the songs herself, and little by little she won success. Today the songs she wrote are remembered and sung throughout the world. "A Perfect Day," "I Love You Truly," "Will Lullaby," "My Son," "Do You Remember?" and others.

—O. W. W. Service.

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