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Up To The Individual

(Ionia County News)

The automobile accident problem should be approached from the standpoint that it is the individual driver's problem.

All encouragement should be given to moves to modernize traffic codes and to pass laws requiring the examination of vehicles and drivers. These steps can save many lives, to say nothing of thousands of dollars worth of property. But at the same time we must do our utmost to drive home to the individual the responsibility that is his when he takes the wheel of a car and embarks upon the public streets and highways.

It has been suggested that an honor code be created for drivers. If all drivers would seriously subscribe to it the ghastly toll of deaths would drop over night. Not one fatal accident in ten is strictly unavoidable. In nine cases someone, through recklessness, carelessness or incompetence, has erred. A life snuffed out is the result.

A ton or two of metal moving at high speed, represents a tremendous destructive force. If it is misused, it is a danger. None of us would take a chance of putting a stick of dynamite in a fire or looking down the muzzle of a gun and playing with the trigger. Yet hundreds of thousands of drivers do the motorist equivalents of these acts—by going at excessive speeds on narrow or rough roads, by passing on curves, by cutting in and out in the face of oncoming traffic, by driving on the wrong side of the highway.

Public opinion must be directed with all its force, toward making the individual conscious of his duty, if the accident toll is to be materially checked.

The Election Of Mr. Hart

(Northville Record)

The unexpected victory of Michael J. Hart, Democrat, of Saginaw, in defeating Foss O. Eldred, Republican, of Ionia, for a seat in Congress, is one of the biggest sensations in the political field for many years. For the first time since 1898 the eighth district has elected a Democrat. The breaking of a 32-year Republican rule has set the state and nation talking. Democrats are jubilant; Republicans are trying to figure it all out.

Several reasons are given for Hart's victory. He ran on a "wet" platform but he also said little of this during the campaign and stressed more the idea of relief for the farmers. He rapped the Republicans for all the trouble that is abroad in the land and promised a new day. Editorials from several papers in the district or nearby indicate that the feeling of resentment that is rampant everywhere brought Hart more votes than did the fact that he is opposed to prohibition. All seem to agree that he is a phenomenally good campaigner with a personality that wins admiration—and votes.

Congressman Hart was probably elected because of the wave of resentment that is running over the country because of the depression. A world war brought on the depression that has ruled for two years but a flickle public would rather blame the administration in power than try to find the cause of all the trouble. One thing is sure, the Democrats and Mr. Hart, who will now control the house will have the chance to see what they can do to better things. They have gotten one "break"—they are going into power just as the war seems to have turned. They will get the credit when prosperity returns—President Hoover or the Democratic House?

CHURCHES

Evangelical Church
Rev. A. A. Schenck, Pastor

Fourth Sunday in Advent.
English worship 10:15.
Subject: "God's Unspeakable Gift."
This is also Communion Sunday.

Sunday School, 11:30.
Rehearsal for Christmas.
Program of Sunday School on Christmas Eve, 7:30. It will consist of 2 parts: Songs, recitations, etc., by the beginners, primary and junior departments and a song and story service entitled, "A Christmas Candle."

Service on Christmas morning 7 o'clock. The choir will sing the cantata: "The Manger of Bethlehem."

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran
(Church, Clarenceville)
(At Swiss Road)
Rev. Paul Graupner, Pastor

Services next Sunday:
10:30 a. m. German worship.
2:00 p. m. Sunday school.
Christmas Eve at 7:30 Children's Christmas Service.
The children will sing of the birth of Christ.

The subject of the Pastor's address will be: The Grace of God, of which we sing at Christmas-tide.

Christmas Morning at 10:30 German Service.
What would this world be without the Christ-Child?
Come, let us thank and praise God for the wonderful Christmas gift He has given to the world.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
Rev. James A. Callahan, Pastor

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

West Point Park Presbyterian Church
Rev. John Adams, Pastor
23333 Grand River, Redford

10:30 Sunday School.
11:30 Morning worship.

Universalist Church
Services will be held at the Universalist church Sunday, December 20, Rev. Frank Adams will be present.

Methodist Church
Rev. F. C. Johnson, Minister

Two Choirs to render "Christmas Chorus"

Next Sunday evening at 7:30 the Farmington M. E. Choir and the Redford Calvary M. E. choir will together render the cantata "The Christ Child." This will be a great musical treat. We urge you to come early so as to get a good seat.

At 10:30 Sunday morning the pastor of the church will preach the Christmas message "The Christmas Light."

Plan on attending the Christmas party Wednesday evening in the Community Hall. Free tickets will be distributed Sunday in Sunday school. Everyone must have a ticket to be admitted.

We cordially invite you to all these Christmas services.

Baptist Church
Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:30 Morning service. The pastor will bring the Christmas message.

11:45 Bible School. We are having the largest attendance in our School that we have ever had. Come this week.

6:30 Senior and Junior Young People's Meetings.

7:30 Evangelistic service. This is the last of the series. We are inviting the husbands and wives to come together. The pastor has written to every couple that he has had the joy of marrying during his pastorate in Farmington, to be special guests at this service. The sermon subject will be "How to be Happy 'Till Married." Every one is invited.

Our annual Christmas program will be given on Wednesday night the 23rd at 8 o'clock.

Great Monument Moves
The Washington monument sways only slightly. The way is rendered perceptible by a copper wire 174 feet long, hanging in the center of the structure and carrying a plummet suspended in a vessel of water. At about 100 feet above ground, it is shifted by expansion of the stone a few hundredths of an inch toward the north.

Violin Not Oldest
The violin is not the oldest stringed instrument. The lyre and the harp as well as other stringed instruments antedate it.

George and the South Seas

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

GEORGE ARBOTT was a very much engaged young man. His fiancée, pretty Sarah Makepeace, had her own loving ways of occupying his eyes. His office hours were free, and he was frequently punctuated by telephone calls arranging to meet him for lunch or downtown after work on this errand and that. And because George really loved her and knew in advance what a capable, thrifty little wife she was some day going to be to him, he never thought of protesting that her apron strings were a bit biting.

Never, that is, until that memorable night when they read aloud to one another a fascinating story of the ever alluring South Seas.

When George had kissed Sarah good night three times, he turned slowly toward the window. Thoughtfully, too, for the first time it struck him that there were distant lands to be seen, distant seas to be voyaged, distant peoples to be met—that is, by those who were free and had the price.

He neither was free to go, nor had the money, as far as that went. Both he and Sarah, who gave music lessons in between being engaged to him, were saving every possible cent towards a nest egg on which to marry.

When George reached his room, he found slipped under his door a white envelope addressed to himself in handwriting only faintly familiar. Cautiously, he opened it, and read the letter that was enclosed.

"My dear nephew"—so read the letter—"I'm not dead yet nor thinking of dying. But I'm playing the dead aunt game. That is, I'm giving away now what you'd probably get later, each one of you. Please spend it to gratify some secret wish."

Attached to the inner sheet by a wire clip was a folded check for \$2,000.

It is significant that George did not at once telephone the good news. In a way, it made their marriage an immediate possibility and surely one would expect that any engaged young man's secret desire would lie in that direction.

On the contrary, several days went by and still George said nothing to Sarah of the windfall. If he appeared distrustful the very next time he saw her, she gave no outward sign of noticing the fact.

To tell the truth, George was an enigma to himself. Here for months he had been longing to marry Sarah and now, at the instance of a silly yarn dealing largely with beating surf and honey-colored moons and dusky maidens, he was yearning to take a little trip all by himself and postpone setting down for a year or two. His unexpected legacy seemed to render legitimate this desire, yet how could he explain to Sarah?

The obvious thing to do would be to get married and then, if he must blow the money in such a way, make the journey in Sarah's company. He loved Sarah, he was insanely jealous of her, and he was sure that if Sarah looked sideways at anyone else and yet—how he wanted this last wild fling of irresponsible youth all by himself!

Suddenly he made up his mind to get it over with. He opened his mouth, shut it, cleared his throat and was about to speak when Sarah, laying down her work, leaned forward and regarded him.

"George," she said solemnly, "I've something to tell you. It's hard to say, but—well, I've changed my mind about getting married. I feel—well, before I settle down, I'd like to go somewhere, do something, see somebody."

"See somebody?" echoed George, feeling as if the bottom of things were falling out.

"Yes," nodded Sarah, and into her eyes came a faraway ecstatic expression. "Sometimes I dream of distant lands where the off-shore surf beats on the coral reefs, where honey-colored moons rise out of a velvet ocean, and strong, bronzed men in apologetic suits, white helmets and Victoria crosses on their chests—"

"Sarah!" by this time George had risen. Then, with an effort to swallow his indignation, "Just how would you do all this?" he asked.

"Well," said Sarah, "I've nearly a thousand dollars. I'm saving towards the house and—"

"And you'd use that?"

"Perhaps when I come back," said Sarah gently, "I'll not mind marrying you. But first—oh, I want one last wild fling!" Rising, she threw her slender arms towards the ceiling. Then she found herself seized and her arms falling, fell on George's shoulders.

"Sarah," he was saying sternly, "Enough of this nonsense! I've just been left \$2,000 by an aunt who isn't dead yet and we are going to be married at once. Tell me you do love me!"

So Sarah told him she did love him. What she did not tell him was that any girl knows when her lover has something on his mind and intuition tells her that his guest work will soon help her discover what it is.

Three weeks later, George's aunt received a letter.

"Dear Aunt,"

"Your welcome gift made possible a trip to Niagara falls, a lovely little blue runabout, and first payment on a five-room bungalow."

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WEST FARMINGTON

Mrs. Ervin Knapp

The West Farmington school will give a Christmas program at the school house Tuesday evening December 22 at 8 o'clock. There will be a dialogue entitled "Knight Rupert," a pantomime of a Christmas story, Mrs. Don Sutton and Mrs. Floyd Howard will sing a duet accompanied by Mr. Habermehl at the piano. Joice Habermehl will sing and recitations will be given by Dorothy Ward. The first and second grade pupils will sing a song which will be dramatized. Ola Regent will give a piano solo. Everyone is cordially invited to attend as Santa will be there to help each one to exchange gifts and distribute the gifts from the Christmas tree. Carol singing will close the program.

J. C. Cox of Pontiac will move from his home at Pontiac to his farm on Fourteen Mile road soon.

Richard Heliker, who has been out of school on account of sickness, returned to school at Walled Lake Monday.

Freida German, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Poast to Romulus Saturday.

Miss Marion Malcolm spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred German and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baker and family will soon leave for Texas where they will spend the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Knapp were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when about 22 relatives came to spend the evening, it being Mr. and Mrs. Knapp's wedding anniversary. The evening was spent playing games and singing old songs.


The East Walled Lake Extension meeting will be held Thursday afternoon at the West Bloomfield town hall under the direction of leaders of the group giving extension work. It will be under the direction of Michigan state College, under the county agent, Miss Weld. This is the second lesson that has been given to this group.

Poultry Raising
The chicken and the turkey, which formerly ran wild over the range or farm, are being raised now by more scientific methods, and as a result the poultry supply of today is a much improved product as compared to that of comparatively a few years ago.

MORE SPRAYING URGED

East Lansing, Dec. 9—Increased numbers of the San Jose scale found in Michigan orchards recently will make it necessary for farmers to use lime sulphur sprays more often than once in two years to secure adequate protection for their trees, according to the entomology department at Michigan State College.

St. Nick sneaks a snack from the ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR



YOU think old Santa doesn't need an electric refrigerator in his home up north? Be that as it may, the smart old gentleman has one—it's the first thing Mrs. Santa demanded after the honeymoon. Hardly a night goes by that he doesn't sneak down into the kitchen and help himself. And (here's a secret he wouldn't want known)—he never starts out on one of his long annual jaunts without first partaking of liquid refreshment, poured sparkling-clear in a tall frothy glass tinkling with ice cubes.

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