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WHY PICK ON US?

The State Tax Commission in its sessions at Lansing, has openly shown a disposition to shift the burden of new taxation upon counties which contain the largest cities and the largest industrial development. This tendency was well defined in the new tax valuation now being threshed out by the state board of equalization. Some of the northern counties were increased only five to ten per cent and they are protesting as loudly as the ones which were looted from fifty to one hundred per cent.

The 1919 tax duplicate totaled \$97,000,000, and the one proposed for Oakland county for the coming four years, amounts in round figures, to \$220,000,000, an increase of approximately 115 per cent, and not 60 per cent, as some papers insist in calling the boost.

Oakland county is not an industrial county. Approximately 85 per cent of its area is still devoted to farming purposes. Its industrial situation is nothing to brag about, with most of the plants operating only part time or shut down completely. In Pontiac alone, there are about five hundred new dwellings vacant.

The state board of equalization is now in session at Lansing and will probably not complete its work for another week, as the hearing process will be extensively argued. As the cases are taken up alphabetically, that of Oakland will probably not be decided until well along in the session. Various people representing the towns of Oakland county at late date have agreed to make a hard fight for a very substantial reduction.

We would like to know on what basis of valuation the State Tax Commission decided that Oakland county had increased around \$125,000,000 in the last few years.

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

Forty-Four Years Ago

Races at Vaughan's track next Saturday afternoon. Two races will take place, four stallions in each race.

The chap who stole a pair of silk mixed pantaloons from a bedroom window on Saginaw street a week ago, if he will return them it will be becoming known through a prosecution.

"I notice in last week's Eccentric circles that I have joined in the back party, in order to get the nomination to a county office. This rumor is an unkind one," said A. Whitehead, Jr.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Pontiac is hard up for cash to pay running expenses, so much so that all water contracts have been stopped, while here in Birmingham with taxes never so low as this year, we are putting in an extra cent to the water works system on Pierce street, costing over \$500, and every thing has the aspect of an extra charge in population and dwellings.

"PRESS PICKINGS"

The health of former Governor Fred M. Warner of Farmington has much improved since he was brought home from the hospital and is able to ride out every day and is receiving visits from his friends. The doctors have ordered an absolute rest from business affairs for some time, however.

Milford plans this year to have the biggest county fair yet arranged by its fair association. Eight new buildings are being erected on the grounds in preparation for the event, from September 14 to 17. The exhibition is originally a village fair, is the last survivor of several such fairs in the county and has attained the size of a county event. A half-mile track for horse racing has been improved until it is said to be one of the best in the state.

A blue racer snick six feet long was killed in the streets of Orion by Addison Woodcock. An automobile was run over in Birmingham several times, but failed to end its life.

The Owen hotel building at Farmington has been moved back from the main street corner in Birmingham and is being built a pretentious bank building for the Farmington State bank, and a block of six or eight half a dozen shops, arranged in an arcade style. The hotel, which has been a landmark at Farmington since 1861, will be remodelled into an apartment house. Former Governor Fred M. Warner is one of the buyers of the new enterprise, which will cost \$100,000.

The Ferndale village commission has ordered an election for October 4, to vote on bonding proposals of \$110,000 for water extensions and \$60,000 for sewer mains.

How to Avoid Wrong Vocation, Theme of Chautauqua Lecturer



CHESTER MILTON SANFORD.

"What Shall I Do In The World?" is a great problem which interests all of us. This problem is made much more easy of solution by the lecture of C. M. Sanford on "Failures of the Misfits," to be given here at the Redpath Chautauqua.

Professor Sanford is an expert on vocational guidance. His lecture aims to guide the young people of the community into choosing their proper vocations—to help eliminate misfits in industry and the professions. Every person, young or old, who has the future of America at heart, will be vitally interested in this lecture.

The tragedy in many lives is the attempt to succeed in one line of work when ability and inclinations point in an entirely different direction. Many a man who would succeed in business would be a failure as a physician and vice versa.

Professor Sanford's lecture gives valuable suggestions concerning the choosing of a vocation.

DANGER—NEW FISH LAWS

New fish and game laws went into effect in Michigan, Aug. 18, which were yesterday, and three conditions of the new laws have never been published before. As there are hundreds of people still fishing the lakes of Oakland county, the Eccentric takes this manner of calling attention of all readers to the new conditions, so as to save them possible fines because of violation of fish law.

The most of the new fish and game laws were enacted by the last state legislature. The ones of most vital importance were the new limit on small fish, as follows:

All blue gills, under 6 inches, instead of 5 inches, are forbidden.
All sunfish under 6 inches, instead of 5 inches, are prohibited.

In addition to these changes, the following new restrictions go into effect at the same time:

One-buck law, allowing each deer hunter to kill one mule deer with horns extending not less than three inches above the skull; does and fawns to be protected. The open season is from Nov. 10, to Nov. 30. The deer hunter's license has been increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00 with the provision that the extra \$1 will be utilized solely for the purpose of following new restrictions to help exterminate wolves. The non-resident deer hunter's license has been increased to \$30, \$15 of which is set aside for the same purpose.

A bag limit has been placed upon rabbit and the sale of game is prohibited by law. But seven rabbits may be killed in one day, no more than ten in possession at one time or more than 25 in the entire season. The open season is from October 15 to Dec. 31.

Of equal importance and interest to the bird hunters in our state are the changes in the open season on ruffed grouse. This has been made from Oct. 15 to Nov. 20, which allows ten days of partidge shooting during the deer hunting season. The bag limit has been placed at one, no more than ten in possession at one time, or more than 25 in one calendar year.

The law on ducks, geese, cranes, gallinules, plover, rails and snipe, practically remains the same. The open season for geese, cranes and brant, from Dec. 16 to Dec. 31, thus comprising the entire season. For ducks, geese and brant, six ducks, 25, with no more than six geese or brant in possession in any one day, or more than 25 geese and brant combined in one season or more than 25 in possession.

Open season on coots and gallinules, Sept. 16 to Oct. 15, of plover and snipe, Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, of rails, Sept. 1 to Nov. 30, 15 and jack-snipe, Sept. 16 to Dec. 31.

Quail, prairie chickens, killdeer, woodcock, black and gray squirrels, Mongolian pheasant, hazel grouse and spruce hens are protected until 1924.

The visions of no bag limit on fox squirrels has been removed. During the season now stands, they may be hunted from Oct. 15 to Oct. 31, five per day, 10 in possession at one time, and not over 15 during the entire season.

The open season for trapping has been abandoned and the open season for all of our fur bearers with the exception of beaver is now from Oct. 31 to April 1.

Bounties on wolves, coyotes, hawks, owls, foxes and weasels have been abandoned, leaving only the bounties upon crows, sparrows and woodchucks.

PERSONALS

Rev. Joseph Dutton, pastor of the M. E. church, and family have gone to Hale, Mich., for two weeks. Dr. W. W. Newitt is expected to be out-of-doors again following a recent operation which was under way at a hospital in Detroit. During the past week Dr. Newitt has been attending to some of his lightest cases in the village.

Mrs. A. E. Bassett, from Peoria, Ill., who had been in Birmingham for about ten days with Mr. and Mrs. C. Huston, of Pierce street, left last week for Almont, Mich. She will return to this village to spend more of her vacation with the Hustons.

Following an illness of over a week, Mrs. E. C. Gardner of Merrill street, is much improved and is again able to be out-of-doors.

Mrs. H. C. Murray of South Woodward avenue, has been spending the week visiting friends in the western part of the state.

For the next two weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bowlin and son will be at Middle Straits Lake, where they are camping. Mr. and Mrs. Bowlin make their home on Bates street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Packard and son, Garfield, of Pierce street, have returned from a recent visit with friends at Saginaw, Mich.

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Northbound—7:15 a. m., and every 15 minutes to 12:15 p. m., 1:15 p. m., 1:45 p. m., and every 40 minutes to 10:25 p. m., and hourly to 12:25 p. m. and 1:05 a. m.

Locals—Birmingham to Pontiac only 6 a. m. and 6:24 a. m.

PLINT DIVISION
Change at Royal Oak for Rochester, Okla. Plint, Bureau and Line City. Through limited cars for Plint, Saginaw, Bay City at 7:00 a. m. and every two hours to 9:10 p. m.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery.
Joseph Francis, Plaintiff,
vs.
Arlo F. Smith, Defendant.

On this case it appearing that the defendant is not a resident of this State but that his whereabouts are unknown and of and under the seal of this court for the County of Oakland in favor of J. A. Jones Real Estate, Plaintiff,
and C. C. Hattelle, defendants and cross-defendants, in said county, to me directed and delivered, I did on the 23rd day of July, A. D. 1921 issue and take all the right, title and interest in the real estate described hereinafter to wit: following described real estate, that is to say, The west 58 feet of lot 29 Brown's Addition.



Therefore on motion of C. D. Underwood, Clerk of said court, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears on the files of this court.

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Atty. for Plaintiff, it is ordered, that the defendant enter his appearance in said cause on or before three months from the date of this order and that within twenty days after the date of this order be published in the Birmingham Eccentric said publication to be continued once in each week for six successive and that Plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be mailed to registered mail to the last known address of said defendant.

FRANK T. COVERT, Clerk of Court.
CLYDE D. UNDERWOOD, Atty. for Plaintiff.
DATED this 23rd day of July, A. D. 1921.

NETTIE R. HOSSE, Deputy Circuit Clerk.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery.
Charles Edwin Jones, Plaintiff and cross-defendant,
vs.
J. A. Jones Real Estate Co., a Michigan Corporation, and C. C. Hattelle, Defendants and cross-plaintiffs.

Notice is hereby given that a writ fieri facias, dated the twenty-third day of July, in the year one thousand and twenty-one, has been returned by the Sheriff of the County of Oakland in favor of J. A. Jones Real Estate, Plaintiff,
and C. C. Hattelle, defendants and cross-plaintiffs, before the said sheriff and directed and delivered, I did on the 23rd day of July, A. D. 1921 issue and take all the right, title and interest in the real estate described hereinafter to wit: following described real estate, that is to say, The west 58 feet of lot 29 Brown's Addition.

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UPON LONG reflection,
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COMES LONG to be true,
THE CLOSE to right,
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