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THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving has so long been
lauded as a day of pleasure and an
occasion at which man pays homage
to his stomach that the basic idea
upon which it rests is apt to be
forgotten.

The Pilgrim Fathers set aside
the day to give thanks; not to
proclaim themselves pluckers. That
other groups, far from puritanical,
have appropriated and continue to
celebrate the day, should not in any
way obscure its right to be preserved
as at first conceived.

Those who delve into the mystery
of life and its ultimate purpose may
sometimes question that which we
have come to be thankful. Those
who live by faith and who regard
life as sufficient in itself know that
thankfulness is becoming to us.
Only the brainless are seen to sneer.

Few of us are without trials and
sorrows, yet probably none of us
are without joys, and, with the
finger of life beckoning to us from
the path ahead and with bright
scenes from the past shining in our
memory, surely a prayer from the
heart would not be wasted were it
addressed only to the sunshine. No
matter what we think, we should be
thankful to mystery that we have
had our chance to think it.

DO NOT HURRY HASTILY

A man and his young son died
last week from injuries received
when the father drove his automobile
on the D. U. R. tracks. The son was
Lake Road and Woodward avenue,
at which time an interurban car
crashed into them.

It is said that the man was taking
his son to school and was, apparently,
in a hurry. It is thought that he
saw the interurban but his great
hurry, attempted to beat it to the
crossing.

But now, alas!—the father and son
will have no reason to hurry. They
leave a wife and mother, a daughter
and a sister; no mourners, no weeping.
It is the hurry of the moment in any
of our lives worth the sacrifices we
sometimes have to make?

MOTHERS SUFFER MOST

Two boys, one of them a Birmin-
gahm youth, are going to jail for an
indefinite period of time. They have
admitted guilt in the robbing of the
local D. U. R. waiting room.

Both the boys are, indeed, sorry.
But a bit late in their remorse. For
their acts in violating the law, society
has decreed that they shall be put
away so that their indiscretions may
not menace the welfare and the
safety of the public.

While it is hard for these two
reckless youths to think of their
mothers, think what agony and suffer-
ing they are, going through and
must continue to go through. The
world will soon forget; the boys will
recover from the shock—but their
mothers, though forgiveness will carry
to their graves the heartaches caused
by this escape of their sons.

THANKS, MR. DRIVER

On the main street of Pontiac one
night last week, when traffic was
heavy, a small, dirt white dog,
apparently frightened at the noise
and congestion, was trying to make
its way across the street.

Half way across, it stopped directly
in front of an on-coming heavy truck.
The driver saw him just in time,
quickly applied the brakes, slowing
the dog to get its "bearings" and
thus make its way safely to the
other side of the street.

Such a considerate truck driver is
the exception to the rule. Such a
man should be a blessing to any
family group.

ECCENTRICITIES

If it wishes had the power to kill,
we'd probably all be dead.

Beauty is only skin deep. A paint
manufacturer shows the surface and
you save all.

Coal may be scarce but we have
noticed no shortage in soot.

The old saying "Time is money,"
doesn't mean much to the Woodward
avenue "bench-warmer."

Time waits for no man. If it did,
the years would drag rather slowly.

He who takes a chance on Wood-
ward avenue is opening negotiations
for a harp—or a shovel, according
to individual taste.

Domesticated sheep have longer
tails than the wild ones. Domest-
icated men tell longer tales to their
wives than wild ones.

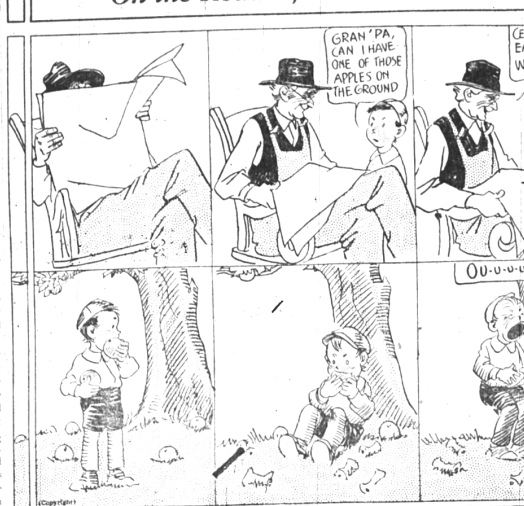
Canton, China, has many streets
only eight feet wide. It is the fool
who wants to pass every-
thing on the road.

A man of genius is one who can
convince a barber he doesn't need
anything else at the time but a
shave.

When opportunity knocks at the
door, some folks will not be answer-
ing, they probably think it is an ill-
collected.

Big toads in a little puddle make
a great splash, but their splash is
hardly noticed in a lake.

On the Road of Good Intentions



BEFORE JEFFERSON HAD A SAN FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

Every man aspires to success, but
all some do is merely aspire; they
should persevere first.

No one can count the stars, says an
astronomer. Nor the so-called
"movie stars," either.

Lots of second fiddlers in business
think they are the whole orchestra.

There are 230,000 grade crossings
in America. No figures are avail-
able on the number of automobiles
that try to beat trains to these same
crossings each year.

Let us be thankful that we have
had many more things to worry
about.

Mail Christmas packages early if
for no other reason than to give the
recipient plenty of time to return
the compliment.

PRESS PICKINGS

The Holly High School Athletic
Association presented a three-act
farce comedy entitled "Safety First,"
at the Holly high school auditorium
last week for the benefit of the bas-
ket ball team.

A steel smoke stack, five feet in
diameter and 131 feet in height, has
been erected at the plant of the
Western Knitting Mills at Rochester.

At Sashabaw Plains church last
Saturday evening at 6:30, a supper
was given followed by a conference
conducted by Dr. W. Shirley of
Ann Arbor. Dr. Shirley spoke at
both services Sunday.

The first debate of the season will
be held with Blausville high school in
the Lincoln high school auditorium,
Ferdale, on Dec. 2. At that time Lin-
coln will take the negative of the
question "Resolved: That the
United States and Canada jointly
should construct the deep-water way
to the Atlantic by way of the St.
Lawrence River, as proposed in the
report of the International Joint
Commission, submitted to Congress,
January, 1922."

Charles W. Rudd of Orion, has
donated his private library to the
local high school. Included are vol-
umes of first-class fiction, books of
history, travels, adventures, etc. Mr.
Rudd has spent many years in col-
lecting them and this valuable
addition to the library is much appre-
ciated by the school board, the teachers
and the pupils of the school.

Insistence that Royal Oak's express
service be made adequate to the size
of the city's business has been made
by the Royal Oak Chamber of Com-
merce. Resolutions adopted by the
directors ask that the delivery and
pickup be installed, with a graduated
charge for outlying districts.

Holly is to have a new factory, to
be located in the old wagon works
plant on Elm street, which has been
purchased by the Patterson Manu-
facturing Co. failed a few years ago.

The new industry is called the Steel
Products Co. and is being managed
by Holly from Detroit. The company
has been in business since 1919 and
manufactures steel tubing, step lad-
ders, extension ladders, etc.

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. George Powers, and
daughter, Eleanor, of North Farm-
ington, spent Sunday at J. D. Van
Every's.

Wanted—A competent girl for
general housework in a family of
four, \$2.00 without washing and
\$2.50 with.

Edward Marsh, of this place, who
is now a pupil of Prof. Veitz, of the
University School of Music of Ann
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Friday evening, playing several violin
numbers.

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ce, Monday, the 22nd, a daughter.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M.
E. Church will meet with Mrs. George
Packer Friday afternoon, December
3, committee on supper; Mrs. George
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Thursday.

FOR HEALTH

Notice is hereby given that a petition
is pending in the Circuit Court of
Oakland County, Michigan, for the vaca-
tion of a part of a road known as
"Case Park Subdivision" of part of West
quarter of section three, 24th, West Bloom-
field Township, Oakland County, Michigan,
said part having been described in
Deed, Oakland County, Michigan, in Book 18,
page 32.

That the distinct description of the
property petitioner desires to vacate is as
follows: Lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,
both inclusive, Case Park Sub-
division, of part of West quarter of
section three, West Bloomfield Township,
Oakland County, Michigan, as shown
on the map recorded in the office of the
Registrar of Deeds of Oakland County,
Michigan, in Book 18, page 32.

That the distinct description of a part
of said plat will be made in the Circuit
Court of Oakland County, Michigan, on
Monday, the 13th day of
November, A. D. 1922, at 10 o'clock in
the forenoon, or at any time thereafter
as the same may be ordered by the
Court.

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Fresh Air Camps Put Tb. To Rout



PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN

Forty-four years ago
William Hagerman took two nice
rolls of butter to Detroit and received
\$4.00 for the same. Boss butter was
in vogue.

William Brown, of Troy, better
known as "Little Billy," has purchas-
ed Joseph Parks' farm five miles
east of here and takes immediate
possession. Mr. Parks goes north.

Married—At the residence of Mr.
Nathaniel Hight of West Bloomfield,
on November 20th, by Rev. N. Mul-
holland, Charles E. Dunn to Miss
Mary Jane Taylor, both of Bloom-
field.

Chester street, running from Mill
street past the school house, will be
opened by the board—and stay open-
ed, too. Mr. Irving sells a strip of
land of the necessary width to open
the street, so as to correspond with
the street farther on. The considera-
tion is \$300, and paid to Mr. Irving
from money on hand in the treasury.

"A baby in the house is a spritz of
joy." So Herman H. Castle has
found. He has a baby in his house.
It is a little girl and all are doing
well. All of Herman's friends are
being introduced over again, as he
cannot recognize them at the present
writing.

Cal R. Jenks has gone to Stephens
to fill a position secured for him
by his brother, E. F. Jenks. Our
best wishes for his success go with
him.

Twenty-five Years Ago
James W. Cobb has gone to Mar-
ion, Mich., to fill a druggist clerk-
ship.

The Eccentric is now warmed with
a hot water heater. The heater
will turn "setting" on the coil.

In the face of the active and
hotly contested fight for the job,
William Hilliard secured the contract
for fitting out the Electric Railway's
new cars with heating apparatus.
They are safely and tidily warmed,
it is said by the Peter Smith com-
pany, and William has just about
completed them in a skillful, satisfactory
and workmanlike manner.

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