

Ask Us About Printing.

A Merchant

We know says that it's his job to please his customers. He is 100 per cent right. It's our job to please merchants by providing the kind of printing that is wanted. Try us and see what we can do.

We Make Good

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many kind neighbors and friends for their very great sympathy extended us in the loss of our little son, Maurice; also Elder West and the three singers. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bowman and Family.

\$100,000 TORNADO DAMAGE

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 27.—(By Associated Press.)—Three persons are dead and property damage estimated at more than \$100,000 was done Sunday night and early Monday by a heavy rain storm, accompanied by lightning, throughout Indiana. Our four leading fire insurance companies protect against damage of any kind by windstorm for \$1.33 per year for \$1,000 on three year policy. CAN YOU AFFORD TO BE WITHOUT IT? WHITEHEAD & STANDART CO. REAL ESTATE INSURANCE adv19

OVER \$20,000.00 STILL TO BE COLLECTED ON VILLAGE TAXES

(Continued from Page 1.) Miss Marguerite Hotelling, 115 Merrill st., has been nominated Queen of the carnival, receiving 500 votes. Miss Bernice Bany, 204 Frank st., and Miss Amy Baldwin, 159 Lincoln ave., have been nominated for the most beautiful lady and the most popular lady, respectively, each having received 500 votes. Other nominees will be announced next week.

ODD FELLOWS CARNIVAL PRIZES ARE ANNOUNCED

(Continued from Page One.) American Certified Quality Gasoline gives more miles of service per gallon. Try it and you will be convinced it's a better gasoline. Frank Moon, Agent, Bell 261 R. adv.-20

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN

Dr. Mabel Campbell, Levison Bldg. Phone 105. Office hours: 9-12; 1-5. Other hours by appointment. Use Our Classified Ads.

Community Building

TOWN JUDGED BY ITS HOTELS

Point That They Are an Asset or a Detriment Would Seem to Be Well Taken.

One of the western cities, its leading newspaper says, will have completed by the end of 1923 some of the best hotels in Kentucky. The result will be increased business. "What" asks the newspaper, "should we do with the added opportunity good hotels will create?" The answer is in part as follows: "We should have a campaign to promote courtesy to all who come this way. . . . Princes should not allow anyone to enter their city and leave without a desire to return. . . . His going away dissatisfied will insure against his sending another here." Large cities depend greatly upon the quality of their hotels for popularity. The hotels are not municipal enterprises. They are, if good, assets of the municipality. If they are inadequate in size or in equipment, and if the fare they offer is not up to reasonable requirements, the city suffers adversely in reputation. The village tavern which there is no visible effort to live up to community standards of kitchen management and household superintending. The result is that travelers, whether "drumming" for mercantile establishments or touring for pleasure, are little attracted to small town hotels. Small towns and cities cannot compete with large cities in the size and the glided splendor of their hotels. There should be no effort to that direction. Better a modest hotel, modestly equipped, and a table the guest will remember and compliment. When a pretentious hotel built at ruinous cost, operated at a loss to stockholders whose investment reflects civic pride, not business judgement, and giving the guest nothing to enjoy or recall but indifferent imitation of large city hotels.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

BENEFIT IN OWNING HOME

Man With Stake in the Community Cannot Help but Be a Better Citizen.

The great value in owning a home is the new outlook the home owner has on life. Instead of being merely a voter, a more or less dissatisfied member of a large floating population, with the signing of the mortgages he becomes a citizen, a factor in his community, the owner of something in whose growth and development he can take honest pride. The result is that he finds his ambitions, dignified and focused now that he has a definite, tangible object for which to work. He assumes certain responsibilities, and in their discharge he takes not only interest but genuine pride.

A great business man, on being asked what advice he would give the young man starting out in life, replied "get in debt." By this he meant that the assumption of financial obligations with a definite object in view furnished the necessary balancing influence which would steady a man and set him a mark to achieve. There is no doubt that the purchase of a home makes a man a better citizen and more ambitious to succeed in his business; it puts him in a class to which it is a privilege to belong; the class which is the responsible element in the community—the great and steadily growing class of home-owning citizens.

City of Good Neighbors

In book II of Mary Davland's "Modern Physiology, Hygiene and Health" we read: "I suppose no city ever had a more marked character or a greater influence than the city of Athens, which was a center of beauty and culture for the whole ancient world." "And the reason was that it was a city of good neighbors." "It is said that one Athenian, when he came of age to vote, took a solemn oath not only never to injure his city in any way, but to serve and work for it so that he might leave it a better, finer city than he found it." "And the Athenians lived up to this promise so well that even today, after hundreds and hundreds of years, we admire the wonderful city of Athens."

Water Works Makes Money

Warren's (Ohio) municipal water works showed a net gain of more than \$200,000 in its treasury for the year of 1922 after all expenses had been paid. A report issued by City Auditor George T. Hosklinger shows the surplus was turned over to the sinking fund and is to be used in the redemption of outstanding city bonds.

Unreasonable to Expect

The last director of the special branch of service at Scotland Yard, Sir Basil Thompson, tells a story somewhat of the peculiar reaction of a man. It happened at Shoeburyness, where a live shell fell in the mud in the midst of a class of young summer-down anglers. The instructor, the instructor, and no one moved. When the shell had been rendered harmless, the anglers advised one of the boys to start fishing in that spot.

Balmy Adobe

Adobe may be made from any material which becomes hardened on exposure to the sun. The process of baking consists in first exposing the sun-dried bricks to the direct rays of the sun for a day, then turning them over on different faces for from seven to fourteen days. Because of the fact that heavy adobe can be kept only in regions of limited rainfall,

An Official Statement by the Governor of South Dakota

On August 29, Governor McMaster, of South Dakota, issued the following statement:—

"At a meeting with Colonel Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and other Standard Oil Officials, held in Pierre this morning, Mr. Stewart expressed unqualifiedly the willingness of Standard Oil to comply with the wishes of the consumers of the State of South Dakota in so far as those wishes could be expressed and interpreted by the governor of this state. These Standard officials, although they contend that the present prices do not properly reflect the costs of production, refining and distribution, plus a reasonable profit, were willing, at my request, to do one of two things—raise the price of gasoline immediately in the State of South Dakota where it would represent a six and six-tenths cent reduction over former prices, or maintain, for the time being, sixteen cent gasoline in the State of South Dakota, using Mitchell as a base.

"After due consideration, the Standard Oil officials were asked by the governor to maintain the present price of 16 cents for the time being. I wish to accept full responsibility for this situation and state that Standard Oil, by deed and act, is working in fullest co-operation with the governor of this state and therefore can in no respect be blamed for 16 cents gasoline from this date.

"I realize that the independents who have viciously assailed and attacked me will raise bitter complaint against this condition. However, after due consideration and investigation, I wish to say that if the former gasoline prices of this state were excessive, the independents of this state were just as responsible for that condition and were just as guilty of taking excess profits as was Standard Oil.

"At no time during the period which former gasoline prices prevailed did any independent of this state raise one objection or bring one complaint to this office in an effort to bring about any reduction in price but they were perfectly willing to profit to the fullest extent.

"I realize that all sorts of charges will be made against me because of this action, but in view of the fact that gasoline can be purchased at various retailers today for approximately seven cents a gallon, it will not work injury to the public cause if the independents are forced for the time being to do business on a small margin of profit. There is no particular reason why the State Government should guarantee to the Independent Oil Dealers of this state, at least for the time being, fixed profits, especially in view of the fact that they were perfectly willing and were a party to take excessive profits from the people."

This clearly defines the position which the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) has maintained throughout this controversy.

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A Thought for the Day. The average man is better than the average woman gives him credit for being. The Many of Them. Two many people think religion is a kind of rabbit's foot to keep and look away.

When you need the services of a Physician—you don't just "drop in" at the first office you come to. No—you call on the Doctor in whose qualifications, equipment and experience you have confidence.

When you need the service of a
Drug Store
Remember, we have
3 REGISTERED PHARMACISTS
ready to serve you, with
Modern Equipment, Long Experience and Fresh Potent Drugs
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MISS ETHEL J. BASSETT, MR. GROVER E. COOK, MR. CHAS. J. SHAIN

SHAIN'S
The Retail Store
Prescription Pharmacist
Birmingham, Mich. Drugs

Labor's Day!
Last Monday, in respect to the millions of Labor's representatives who celebrated the day, this bank did not open its doors.
Tuesday, we were, as always, very glad to welcome new accounts from the ranks of Labor. Open your account at the bank where you'll meet your friends.
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
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The design illustrated is but one of the charming homes in our New Plan Book. Every type of home construction is shown, including Colonial, Bungalows, Semi-Bungalows, Cottages and Two-Family homes.
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