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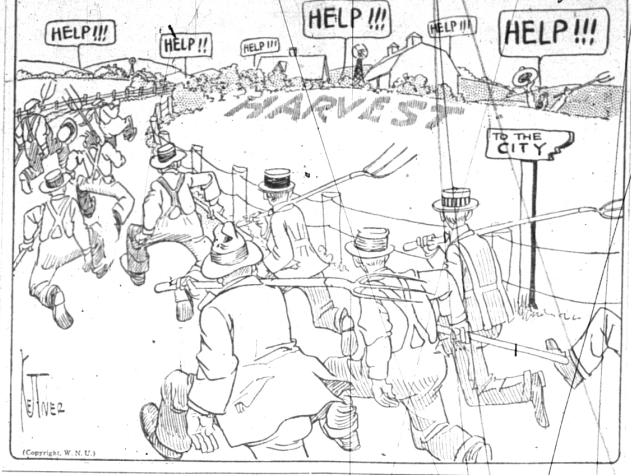

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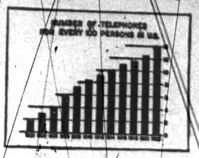
Telephone Development



The telephone service in the United States is growing much faster than the population. In 1900 there were less than two telephones for every 100 people in this country; in 1910 there were more than eight telephones per 100 population. By the end of 1928, as the above chart shows, there were nearly fourteen telephones for every 100 persons in the United States. In fact, there is now in this country approximately one telephone for every five inhabitants,—a telephone development that is not equalled by any other nation in the world.

EUROPEANS WANT "LONG DISTANCE" LIKE AMERICA'S

Hope for Continent-wide Toll Lines Similar to Those of the United States

Europe wants a long distance telephone system like that in the United States. The possibility of establishing such a comprehensive international telephone service, in place of the present meagre and unsatisfactory long-lines circuits, was brought up by an eminent telephone engineer in the fall of 1922, and was considered by an international conference at Paris last year.

Recently there has been further discussion of the matter in the technical press of Europe.

"American experience," writes a German authority, "is in many respects helpful on account of the problems set up by the size of the country." The writer points out that "the longest distance in Europe, from Gibraltar to the Ural Mountains (6,250 kilometers), is far short of the distance from San Francisco to Key West via New York (about 8,000 kilometers), over which telephonic conversation is already possible;" and he adds: "Furthermore, there is no traffic between Gibraltar and the Ural Mountains, and the distances between the capitals of Europe are still shorter."

Nevertheless, telephone conditions on the continent are such that "we must not let ourselves be deceived into thinking that the European long-lines system will be realized in a few years," for, according to this German expert, "the only course of development can be that in which telephone systems are built up in the busy districts of Europe for internal use, but with a view to future international communication," so that "they will gradually get welded together by cables or open wires, according to the amount of traffic between them."

Yee. What is it?

What is left time after 1924. We lost millions of years before we were born.

Good Printing—We Do It.

Lake Orion Annual Bible Conference Gets Crowd Sunday

Rev. Dr. Wakefield of Toledo, Makes Chief Address Of Program

The auditorium at Lake Orion was crowded to its capacity for the opening meetings of the annual Bible conference. Much feeling was manifested, and many reconsecrations and several conversions were made. Opening day crowds indicate a possible record attendance this year.

The keynote of the Sunday morning sermon as preached by Rev. Dr. Cassius E. Wakefield, was the need of more decision in America in moral and religious matters. Dr. Wakefield is a Toledo man, and is the president of the conference.

In speaking of the novel "Babbit," the speaker stated that the saddest thing was that it was so true, the picture of men so decided and so sharp in material things, but so wavering in matters moral and spiritual. "We should never halt between two opinions," said the speaker. "Let us take a stand firmly and forever on the right—for God."

"The Duty and Destiny of Man as a Creature of God" was the subject of Evangelist Paul Rader, former head of the Christian and Missionary Alliance," who now conducts his own tabernacle in Chicago.

"I believe the Bible teaches that God created an animal somewhere between a monkey and a man," said the former cowboy evangelist. "He endowed him with speech. This was the original serpent into which the devil entered. God then cursed the serpent and forced him to crawl as he now crawls, without power of speech. This lifts the vast gap which still exists between apes and men.

Prof. John Finley Williamson of Findlay, Ohio, directed the chorus choir which led the singing. A special solo was sung by Miss Charlotte Johns of the North Baptist church, Flint.

Local Flyer Aids Free Press Camera Man To Get Picture

In procuring a photograph of the murder scene near Lapeer for the newspaper public, Harry Brooks played an unusual part Sunday when he carried the Free Press photographer a distance of 60 miles in fewer minutes, so that a picture might be obtained before the sun sank too low.

Sunday afternoon, late, Harry was on the Oxford flying field taking passengers up for short rides. Upon reaching the ground after a flight Harry was approached by the staff photographer of the Free Press. Detroit reporters had just received word of the finding of the body of Mrs. Blanche Burke, the murdered Lapeer woman. There was not time to travel by motor to the spot of the murder for a picture before dark and the reporter needed that picture. At Oxford Harry loaded the photographer and his traps into his flying machine and filled up with gas and within a few minutes they were on the scene and the picture was on the front page of the Detroit Free Press Monday morning.

"The old machine is fun all of the time," says Harry, "but when you can do something really important like that, that needs doing, that is where the real thrill comes."

But Harry was met by another thrill upon his return to the flying field. It was too dark to see the landing spot and for a while it looked as though Harry and the photographer were to spend the night in mid-air; however, they were finally able to effect a landing just south of Birmingham and "all's well that lands well in that business."

Harry Brooks is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brooks, who live near Franklin, and has for several years been in the flying business and for several seasons had been a stunt flier. He is now affiliated with the Glenn H. Hoffman Flyers with their home field in Farmington.

A Theorist.

A man in this town remarked to the editor the other day that he would rather have a clear conscience than a million dollars. But he has neither. —Creighton (Mo.) News.

Can't Remember.

Some are so exacting in their conception of happiness that they can only single out an hour here and an hour there "when they were happy."

A Want Ad Does Much.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

"BARN-YARD GOLF" CONTEST HELD HERE

A "Barn-yard Golf" tournament, one of the newest types of contests to be developed, originated here this week under the promoting hand of Carpenter Hewitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hewitt of Oakland avenue. Carpenter will not participate in his own tournament but with an eye to business he has placed a price of fifty cents a head on almost every "barn yard golfer" in the village.

Without doubt after the three day period of the tournament, which ended last night, the Hewitt lawn, where Carpenter carefully laid out a court according to all of the "golf" ethics, will closely resemble a barnyard.

Tuesday evening Carpenter opened the tournament with eighteen entries and the promise of about five more when they were able to obtain the required fifty cents. This, however, is not all clear profit to the promoter. A handsome slip-over sweater and a pair of regulation horse shoes for prizes, first and second respectively, have to be purchased out of the booker's receipts. The prizes were to be awarded following the finals, played last night and no report has yet been made as to the winners.

The entries made at the opening of the tournament who had furnished the "ready cash" were: Charles Latham, George Schorr, William Brown, Robert Cromie, John Palmer, Hartwell Ladd, Clifford Harper, Ralph Bunyan, David Gafill, Walter Guthrie, Pennock Wollaston, Casper Spicer, Robert Schorr, Ralph Thompson, Ernest Mann, Henry Whalen and Gerald Bell.

NEW SIDETRACK SHOULD EXPEDITE TRANSPORTATION

Livestock exhibitors at the seventy-fifth annual Michigan State Fair, Detroit, August 29 to September 7, are advised of the construction of a new sidetrack, entering at the north end of the fair grounds. This will be completed long before fair time, says G. W. Dickinson, secretary-manager, thus facilitating rapid movement of livestock in and out of the grounds.

This has been one of the shortcomings of the fair transportation system for years. Mr Dickinson says, and a correction will be welcome news to those herdsmen who have exhibited at the fair in the past decade.

State Fair Will Aid Michigan Art This Year, Says Manager

Eager to foster the work of home talent and to encourage Michigan artists, the Michigan State Fair will revert to its 1922 policy of purchasing prizes in the Art department of the approaching seventy-fifth state exposition at Detroit, August 29 to September 7, according to an announcement a few days ago by G. W. Dickinson, secretary-manager.

Over $2,500 in purchase prizes have been set aside for Michigan talent to "shoot" at Mr Dickinson says. This policy worked out very well in 1922 but was dropped last year in favor of another plan which did not prove nearly as satisfactory to the fair board from the standpoint of exhibitions by "Michigan's Own."

A committee of outside artists, none of which will be exhibiting, will be named to select the winners. In exhibiting a picture this year, the artist will be called upon to place a price on his work and this will be taken into consideration in determining whose art shall be bought.

The art becomes the property of the fair after its purchase and it is the plan to retain whatever work is purchased until the erection of a suitable art building on the grounds when it will go on display permanently.

Besides the art exhibition which will draw heavier this year than in past seasons, there will be a lecture course consisting of talks three times daily by experts.

Rare Place

A dining place that depends on an unusual specialty for most of its custom is as rare as the specialty. Yet all such have paid well.

Eccentric Office Phone No. 11.

"LET THEM ALONE!"

PRECINCT and has resided in the TOWNSHIP TWENTY DAYS next preceding such election, designating particularly the place of his or her residence and that he or she possesses the other qualifications of an elector under the constitution; and that owing to the sickness or bodily infirmity of himself or herself or some member of his or her family or owing to his or her absence from the TOWNSHIP on public business or his or her own business, and without intent to avoid or delay his or her registration, he or she was unable to make application for registration on the last day provided by law for the registering of electors preceding such election, then the name of such person shall be registered, and he or she shall then be permitted to vote at such election. If such applicant shall in said matter, wilfully make any false statement, he or she shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and upon conviction, be subject to the pains and penalties thereof.

Provision in Case of Removal to Another Precinct

Any registered and qualified voter who HAS REMOVED from ONE ELECTION PRECINCT of a TOWNSHIP, to another election precinct in the same TOWNSHIP, shall have delivered or sent, any previous to election day, his application to the TOWNSHIP Clerk to have his or her name transferred from the registration book of the precinct from which he or she HAS REMOVED to the registration book of the precinct in which he or she HAS RESIDED. Such elector shall have the right to have such transfer made on ELECTION DAY by obtaining from the board of inspectors of election of the precinct from which he or she HAS REMOVED, a CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER and presenting the said certificate to the BOARD OF ELECTION INSPECTORS IN THE PRECINCT IN WHICH HE OR SHE NOW RESIDES.

Women Electors

The names of all qualified Women Electors not already appearing on the registration list will be registered, in conformity with the foregoing provisions.

ROBERT Y. MOORE,
Clerk of Said Township.

Dated July 20, 1924.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS, Minnie M. Pierce, made and executed a certain mortgage, bearing date the ninth day of April, A. D. 1921, to the Birmingham Lumber Company, of Birmingham, Mich., which mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Oakland, on the fifth day of May, A. D. 1921, in Liber 269 of Mortgages on Page 77;

AND WHEREAS, the amount claimed to be due upon said mortgage, including interest at the date of this notice is the sum of Six Hundred Forty-three Dollars and Seventy-three Cents ($643.73), including principal and interest and whatever taxes the undersigned may pay on said land including the date of foreclosure of this mortgage, and an Attorney fee of Thirty-five Dollars ($35.00) as provided for by said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured thereby or any part thereof;

AND WHEREAS default has been made in the payment of the money secured by said mortgage whereby the power of the sale contained therein has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is given that by virtue of said power of sale and the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the Saginaw Entrance of the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County of Oakland, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said County on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1924, at twelve o'clock noon, Central Standard Time, the description of which said premises contained in said Mortgage is as follows:

Land and property situated in the Township of West Bloomfield, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, as follows:

Lot One Hundred Seventy-one (171) except Forty (40) feet off the East end of said Lot of Keego Harbor Sub. being a part of the West one-half (½) of the Southeast quarter (¼) of Section One (1), and part of the East One-half (½) of the Southeast quarter (¼) of Section Two (2), Township Two (2) North, Range Nine (9) East, according to the recorded plat thereof.

BIRMINGHAM LUMBER COMPANY,
Mortgagee.

KEELING & BOGUE
Attorneys for Mortgagee.
Business Address:
209-213 First National Bank Bldg.,
Pontiac, Michigan. 15-27

REGISTRATION NOTICE

For General Primary Election Tuesday, September 9, 1924

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with Act 1264 Public Acts of 1917 as amended, I, the undersigned Township Clerk, will upon any day except Sunday and the legal holiday, or the day of any regular or special election or official primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Township who shall then and there may APPLY TO ME PERSONALLY for such registration, or who may make application for registration by mail or messenger, as provided by Act 3, Public Acts of 1919, as amended (except that I will receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the Second Saturday before any general or special election or official primary election and the day of such election.

AUGUST 30, 1924—LAST DAY
For General Registration by PERSONAL APPLICATION

AUGUST 13, 1924—LAST DAY
For REGISTRATION BY AFFIDAVIT. See Below

Notice is further hereby given that I will be at ROOM 5, FIRST STATE SAVINGS BANK BLDG., IN THE VILLAGE OF BIRMINGHAM, on

AUGUST 16 and AUGUST 23

A. D. 1924, from 7 o'clock A. M. until 8 o'clock P. M. on each said day for the purpose of REVIEWING the REGISTRATION and REGISTERING such of the qualified electors in said Township as SHALL PROPERLY apply therefor.

The name of no person but an ACTUAL RESIDENT of the precinct at the time of registration, and qualified under the constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election shall be entered in the registration book.

Registration by Affidavit (Mail or Messenger)

Under Act 3, Pub. Acts, 1919, as amended, the privilege of absent voters is extended to include registration. They can also register by MAIL or MESSENGER whether absent or not but the affidavit must be received by the Clerk on or before the 13th Day preceding the THIRD SATURDAY before the election.

Affidavit For Registration

STATE OF MICHIGAN] ss
COUNTY OF .....]

I, ..., being duly sworn, depose and say that I am a citizen and a duly qualified elector of the ..... precinct of the Township of ..... in said County of ..... and State of Michigan; that my postoffice address is No. ..... Street (or R. F. D. No. .....) P. O. ..... that I am not now registered as an elector therein and that I make this affidavit for the purpose of procuring my registration as an elector in accordance with the statute and I solemnly swear or affirm to support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Michigan, and to defend the same against all enemies foreign and domestic.

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of ..... A. D. 192..

Signed .....
Notary.

My commission expires ..... 192..

Registration of Absentee by Oath

If any person whose name is not registered shall offer and claim the right to vote at any election, and shall, UNDER OATH, state that he or she is a resident of such

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