

# SUPERVISORS' DECISION ON SALE LOOMS

### Court House Site One Of Problems For September Session

#### SALARY RAISE ASKED

Hated sessions of the Oakland County board of supervisors are expected during the term starting Sept. 14, when several important topics are to be decided.

The most important is the disposition of the court house and the land on which it rests at Huron and Saginaw streets. Although the court house committee of the board has been authorized to receive bids and present them to the supervisors, none has been offered. A valuation of one million dollars has been placed on the site.

Suggestions Made The suggestion has been made

by several members of the board that the county might mortgage its two parcels of land now occupied by the court house and the old jail building and get enough money to proceed with the building of a new office type of court house on the old jail site. It would not be necessary to sell the court house now and it could continue in use until the new building was ready.

Should this action be taken, it is pointed out, it would be necessary to move the departments of the poor commission, juvenile court, auditors and accountants to the third floor of the People's State Bank building which the county now has under lease for three years. It would be possible as well to move the drain commissioner's offices from the Wayne building to the new bank building, utilizing the rest of the space in this manner.

These suggestions and probably others will be brought to the attention of members of the board when they convene and that body will decide what is to be done.

Possibility that the supervisor will be asked to increase the salary of members of the prosecutor's staff also looms, following requests made by Norman C. Orr for higher salaries for his aides to the board of county auditors.

Comparison of salaries of members of the prosecutor's staff in Oakland and Wayne counties shows the former to be receiving a much smaller wage. The minimum salary in Wayne county is \$4,000 a year while the highest is \$15,000. In Oakland County the highest in the office is \$7,000 and the lowest \$2,000. Records show members of the staff in this county work on an average of 15 hours a day.

#### 'ARCHANGEL GABRIEL' WRITES FOR MAGAZINE

"The White Mountain," official publication of the Sect of the White Mountain, a religious cult organized in Germany, had some remarkable contributors. It was discovered when the police investigated activities of the cult. There were articles signed by Bismarck, Frederick the Great, Nietzsche and other famous dead persons. Weissenberg, founder of the cult, claimed that he was the great protector of the dead, he had at his disposal an unlimited number of contributors. Occasionally there were articles signed by the Archangels Gabriel and Raphael, who naturally glorified the prophet. All the faithful had to buy the publications, and according to the police inquiry Weissenberg made \$1,500 a month by the sales.

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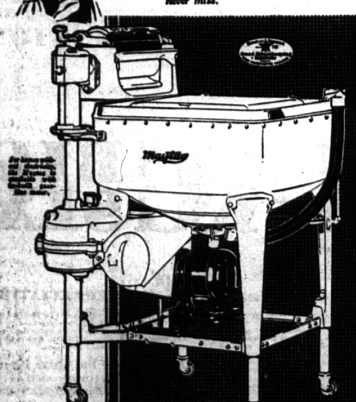
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## CALL FOR TEACHERS

Feb. 8-1-3, 5, 6, 8-12

THIS lesson records one of the most unusual and idealistic occurrences in history—the people gathered together to demand instruction in the principles underlying their social foundation.

Erza, whose advent to religious leadership in Israel was described in the lesson of Sept. 2, strangely disappears from religious and historic records for a period of from 12 to 14 years, until the events described in the present lesson. Just where Erza was during that period or what he had been doing is a matter of conjecture.

Some think that he had returned to Babylon and attach to such returns some motive of discouragement. There is nothing that at all decisively indicates any such return or such discouragement. These years of silence in Erza's life may be comparable rather to the 13 years concerning which we have no record in the Bible. It is the 11 years of silence in the life of Paul following his conversion and prior to his conspicuous missionary activity.

A Time of Preparation Twelve years is not really a very long period in preparation for any great enterprise. The probability is that during these years Erza was quite active in ways and events that were not spectacular and that did not call for special records. But now he emerges to recorded leadership again in a great dramatic event.

The time was one of many problems and difficulties in the re-establishment of the Jewish commonwealth in Jerusalem. In addition to all the inherent difficulties there had been the constant opposition of enemies, with ever-present dangers. There was much to discourage the people, and they were in a favorable mood for any word of inspiration and help. We must remember that it was not an age of books, newspapers and public libraries, where one could turn for comfort and help to some inspirational writing. The records of truth and its inspirations lived largely in the traditions carried on in the souls of men or in the written manuscripts, or scrolls, to which only the scribes and teachers had access.

The common people depended for their knowledge of the patriotic and religious literature of the nation upon the scribes and the teaching of the scribes. It was as such a scribe or teacher that Erza assumed a conspicuous and prophetic role. He was a man of vision and his own vision had been quickened by the rediscovery of the truth.

Our lesson takes us back to the period before this work of final



editing had been done. We can imagine something of the fervor which some new and vital expression of the national and religious writings of Israel must have brought to earnest souls in sore straits and sadly in need of encouragement. The circumstances could not have been more favorable, and Erza was the man of the hour, well trained and equipped for his task and spiritually adequate.

Just by what means the people were all brought together in the well planned and equipped for his task and spiritually adequate. It is interesting to note the emphasis that is laid upon their understanding of the law. The occasion was not simply one of staccato impressions intended to have some vague emotional effect. It is instructive even for today to follow the details of that teaching and encouragement. Verse 10 might be, in fact, a very glorious motto for any nation or people, symbolizing the ideal of prosperity and happiness associated with social welfare and consideration for all the less fortunate in the community.

It were well if we could see in such aspirations and ideals something essentially holy, and if we could make all our plans and purposes in industry, commerce and daily life, however secular, such sanctifying experience of devotion to the principles of truth and righteousness and to the commonweal.

## WHO'S WHO AND TIMELY VIEWS

### MILITARY EXPENDITURES CHARGED AS TOO HIGH

By WILLIAM R. WOOD, Congressman From Indiana

William Robert Wood was born at Oxford, Ind., Jan. 6, 1861. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He began his practice at Lafayette, Ind. From 1896 to 1914 he was a member of the Indiana senate. In 1915 he was elected to congress from the tenth Indiana district, and has been returned each term since. He is a Republican.

I am in hearty accord with President Hoover's endeavors to reduce the military expenditures. It is my opinion that his efforts will meet with the approval of the vast majority of the citizens of the United States.

There is no real reason for the tremendous and ever increasing outlay that is being made on in our military establishment. In my opinion we are farther removed from war and the possibility of war than we have been since the foundation of the republic. Yet we are better equipped than the eventualities of war than ever before in the existence of our government. We have a potent army of more than 500,000 men, including the regular army, national guard, reserves, etc. It seems very inconsistent with all the gestures for peace that the world seems to be making to keep on expanding our military establishment and constantly increasing the cost of the taxpayers of the country.

Our coast artillery now exists practically only in name. The bombing planes have put the coast artillery out of business. What little there is left of it should be under the command and direction of the ordinary artillery service. Today with the coast artillery practically obsolete there is a major general with a full staff complement.

The financial division of the army is a useless appendage. Its duties could just as well and no doubt better be discharged by the quartermasters' department. Yet there is a major general at the head of the finance division, with a full staff complement.

I sincerely hope that the general staff that has been charged by the president with the duties of reducing the cost of our military establishment will appreciate to the fullest degree the importance of their task and that the result achieved will prove creditable.

Hoover is the engineer, but the Senate wants to act as conductor.

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## STATE PUPILS U. OF M. GUESTS

### Many To Attend Opening Varsity Game Sept. 10 At Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, Sept. 4.—Following the custom instituted two years ago when the new stadium was first opened, the University of Michigan, through the Board in Control of Athletics, is again inviting all Michigan students in high schools, parochial schools and preparatory schools to the first football game at Ann Arbor, September 28. All schools of high school grade, whether public or private, are included in the invitation.

Information as to the method of securing tickets will be mailed to the principals of all such schools about Sept. 10.

Unusual interest is centering around the opening of the 1929 football season. A double-header with Albion College, Albion, Mich., and Mt. Union College, Alliance, O., both strictly Varsity games, is the initial attraction, Albion for years dominated, eleven in the M. I. A. A. Alumni of 10 or 15 years ago will recall another football alliance with Mt. Union, for

in the years preceding the war. Mt. Union provided many a real football thrill on old Ferry Field. The Ohio team has always ranked high among the teams representing smaller institutions with which Michigan has competed. The largest crowd to see an opener in the new stadium is expected September 28th.

## FINED DRIVER FACED BY SUIT

### Reckless Driving Charge To Be Followed By Second Citation

Following payment of a \$15 fine on a reckless driving charge in Justice Floyd S. Buck's court, Henry Cohen, of Detroit, today is threatened by a civil suit, for damages to a car owned by Harold Slutz, also of Detroit.

Cars owned by the two men collided Aug. 4, at the Thirteenth and One Half Mile road and Woodward avenue. The car owned by Slutz was wrecked. Cohen claimed another machine forced him into Slutz's car but the story was doubted by Justice Buck who imposed the fine.

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