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### Tuning A Soul

Over in the Michigan State College are many fine boy's and girlts some of them are working their way, through college them with empty stomachts part of the time of them with empty stomachts part of the time. Recently we met a chap who learned of a certain young met a chap who learned of a certain young ter, however, indican without sufficient food—yet he doggedly clings to his tappears that the youngster, however, indican without sufficient food—yet he doggedly clings to his studies and persists in seeking food for his mind. Our informant, upon learning of the young boy's condition, stranged to have a modest sum placed at his disposal—for emergencies only.

Do you know, folks, that the hardship which that youngster is now enduring will go farther to be since that mind a summer of the stranger of the playing will send forth musical vibrations that contain a quality made possible only through an early period of hardship and want? Blessed any boy or girl who, possessing a talent, is given the eartching purification process that accompanies langer and want.

The antiques of the summer of the many through the summer of the

THE ENTHUSIASTIC response of parents in Bir-psingham to the annual observance of Father and Son Week should be a matter of civic pride. The attendance at the various services and banquiets this year was especially large and the worries of business certainly were not reflected on the faces of fathers concerned with the happiness of their sons.

SCRTV-BIGHT BILLIONS of dollars worth of goods were produced by American manufacturers in 1929, the greatest in thic country's history. That's quite an increase in the exchange of commodities over the wampun and beads that changed hands in the Pil-grim days, tin't it?

EVERY STATE IN THE LAND is invited to attend the Century of Progress Exposition to be held in Chicago in 1933. We hope that: Chicago will be able to reveal its own civic progress by having an improvement upon William Hale Thompson as its

OUR SECRETARY OF STATE, Simpson, believes that in national policy towards Latin-America aids safeguarding the independence of our southern gibbors. The secretary, at that, may be linguist ough to know both his Latin and his America.

## Washington's Spirituality

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USUALLY, IN THESE DAYS of after-dinner speech-makers, it is terrible enough in some cases without the introduction of risque stories—don't you think?

If you're used to giving knocks,

Throw bouquets instead of rocks, for a while;
Let the other fellow roast,
Shun him as you would a ghost,
Meet his hammer with a boast
and a smile.

If you like the old town best, tell 'em so!

If you'd have her lead the rest, help her grow!

When there's anything to do
Let the fellows count on you,
You'll feel bully when it's through
Don't you know.

When a stranger from afar When a stranger from a far comes along.

Tell him who and what we are—
make it strong
Needn't flatter, never bluff,
Tell the truth, that is enough;
Jbin the bootsers, they're the stuff—
we belong.
—Preltur T. COLGROVE, late father
of L. E. Colgrove, Birmingham
realizer.

# ..EX-NTRIX

DEMISE OF "THE OL' APPLE" DEMISE OF "THE OL" APPLE"
(Biring alm ad sollioup by a baseball that has seen better days.) I
used to was a baseball.
A blean, white pellet.
A blean, white pellet.
My insides was a little
My insides was a little
My insides was a little
Twine. My skin was leather and
Shiny and when I was new
Joy when his dad bought me
At a sportfaing goods store





Voters and those of you who have not yet decided whether to be a candidate for something this year, the above photograph, smap-hotographer at Oak street and O. K. terrace, is a scoop. And in-dehentally a harbinger of apring gentlemen are not wrestling, as you may suppose. You will recognize them at first glance, of course, township receve. Naturally, that's why you thought they were wrestling.

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I was glad to see the Queen. But I never quite got over The hunger I felt when I looked At the thumbed old magazine cover.

cover.

Ithough I had only seen over.

Ithough I was her lover.

See the Queen. Although a man Her portrait, I was her sover. They took me to see the Queen. And I wanted to see Paylova.
P. P. STRACHAN.
Science Monitor

## From The Eccentric Columns of Long Ago

FIFTY YEARS AGO
Free fights found favor from
Friday till Sunday last week.
Dr. C. M. Raynale sold the trotting mare belonging to S. Adsley
for \$500 last week,—so tis rumored.

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\$500 has week,—so Jis rumorderived the stop of the stop of the stop
Lots of water down east. Billy
Troy Brown had to swim to his
barn and loosen his horse, and
aved the animal's life by floating
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The sleighs sliding sidewise down an iey hillside, was the cause of the accident.

Lathrop had an and Miss Clara Lathrop had an antow escape from a serious accident lately, by the bottom of the futtler in which they were riding, falling out. Fortunately the horse was reined in before any mishap occurred, the matter of parting together the new dissected map. of the control of the

Don't forget Niagara Falls at Library Hall Saturday night, 7:30 standard, 150 stereopticon views and moving pictures. Admission

standard, 100 stereopticon views and moving pictures. Admission II. Elements were a grain being distributed through the medium of the village Improvement Society. The children are much interested in the work and Birmingham promises to blossom forth for the control of the standard s

bruises, but otherwise cam-all right. One day last week Seymour Adams butchered his hogs and thoughtlessly slipped in the stall of a colt to feed it. The smell of blood set the animal crazy and it became an over our friend had

Guy Watkins of Southfield, while loading poines at Grand Blane, Michigan, Wednesday afternoon, met with aquite an accident. While placing a wagon to load the ponies, he slipped, falling backwards striking on his head and shoulders, the wagon tongue striking him in the face cutting it bading the strike of the

pay.

FIVE YEARS AGO
At next Tuesday's meeting of
the Birmingham Exchange club
the Grand Control of the Birmingham Exchange club
the Grand Control of the Birmingham
moving picture shows in Birmingham
will be discussed.

"There are many kinds of dads,"
said Supt. Clarence Vliet Tuesday
non before the Exchange Club;
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dad, the alibit dad, the no-account
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grouchy dad, and the unfortunate

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I wanted to see Pavlova.

The Queen from London To visit the folk of Dover. They took me to see the Queen. But I wanted to see Pavlova.

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An educator says that college students ought not be required to memorize notable dates of history. Most of them have too many dates of thefr own.—San Diego Union.

# "I AM ROTARY"

M INE IS the common feative board, the piace where, each week, business and the piace where, each week, business and the piace where the piace where the piace with the pia

made, there I dwell.

I extend to each the friendly hand-clasp of fellowship, the smile of brotherly tolerance, and the comforting heart of sympathetic understanding.

At my table is passed banter and fun; basiness and professional informa-tion and culture; songs of the mart, melodies of the heart; words of com-fort and courage.

Born in the depths of a solitary lone-liness, I have come a long way to bask in the light of many thousands of peo-ple, in many countries over the face of the earth.

Under the kindly influence of my service, men have learned that my maxim, "he profits most who serves best," is a truth in deed as well as in thought.

thought.

The light that shines in this modern world of business, heckoning modern world of business, heckoning the ship of th

than when I was born.

If Within iny life-blood, there pulse works as infinite as the relecting the works as infinite as the relecting the works as infinite as the research of the reaching than mere ritual or creed. For I am the sum total of every good thought that man has inherited; I am the leaven of the bread of life. I am that part of God which is easiest understand the relection of the bread of the leaven of the bread of the leaven of the leaven of the leaven of the leaven of the greater or the leaser sacrifices of life. I suggest the possibility of main's elections as the leaven of the leaven sacrifices of life. I suggest the possibility of main's elections as the leaven of the leaven sacrifices of life.

I suggest the possibility of man's elevation, even if upon a cross; h recall the travail that accompanied the enthronement of the simple Galilean who was crowned by the world—first with thorns, then for all time with love!

Touched by the helplessness of little children whose boiles were unfortu-nately twisted by accident or disease, I have lossened the pura-atrings of many people, moved the hands of killed surgeons, is seled the hurts of the crip-pled, and restored to broken-hearted mothers and fathers a faith in the brother-hoad of man.

a life so lived.

I offer you, as you partake of my menu, stimulating food for your mind, your body, and your out, and you rook, and your not, and you rook, and you rook, and you rook, and you rook and it found that the serve as a vehicle for unlimited atthinments. I can be a bridge to span the yale that lies between you and a greater suncess; it is not not considered that the serve and the serve of the attributes of Character; I ame of the attributes of Character; I ame of the structure of your life.

You who are privileged to sit about my table, as my guests, are given zeri-ous responsibilities—for you shone can exemplify my attributes in your-bus-iness, professional, public, or private lives. How do you represent the, as you mix and mingte with your fellow-men?

By what you say and do, away from this table of mine, do you manifest to a weary world the value of my virtues.

I am a large part of all that is worth while in life; the man who dedicates much or little of his time seeking the golden nuggets that lie imprisoned in my bosom shall gain of the goodness of life in exact proportion to his labors of digging.

¶ I am the Twentieth Century's leaven to mankind's efforts to uplift and im-prove man's relation to the tasks of this world.

I bring you supreme happiness if you will but woo and wed me. I I am yours with which to regenerate the whole world.

I am Rotary International!

# The Other Chap Says Something-

with THE HEATHEN RACE
Christendom is a farmy place.
Christendom is

dollar in the United States goes to the war division; for wars past or wars present or wars future. Two GOOD NEWSPAPERS To a wars present or wars future. Dan A. Killian, a long time Althermore way. So does Great her than the way. So does Great perportation down to 20 per secretary of the state of the state of the stand of England and the Forum department of this superior the stand of England and the Forum department of this superior the stand of England and the Forum department of this superior that the stand of the superior that the stand and the forum department of this superior that the stand and the Forum department of this superior that the stand and the Forum department of this superior that the stand and the Forum department of this superior that the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand of the superior that the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt H. DeFoe in the stand and plenty folly read—Murt writer:
"A basis for wonder is the orderliness of nature."

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THE "BIG SHOTS" SAY:-

Thomas A. Edison, inventor:
"I've passed through six de-pressions and have sense enough not to make many predictions."

J. B. Priestly, author:
"Pretty girls are delightful
creatures, but they are not neces-sarily the noblest works of God."

H. C. Bailey:
"The only thing striking in the phenomena of heredity is the way in which ability does not run in familles."

William V. Pratt, Admiral, U. S. Navy
"So long as the world is whit is there is no cure for war."
Heavy Meganthas, former ambassador to Turkey:
"Europe yoday is an armed camp, reminding me of the days of 1913-14.

Richard Gregary, editor of Na-ture:
"The lives saved by the use of antiheptics discovered by chemistal verwheling completely all those war.

James J. Farrell, president U. S.
Steel Corporation:

"A general reduction of wages in this country, instead of relieving the situation, would set back the impending receivery by at least two years."

two years.

Harry H. Woodring, governor of Kansas:

"I suggest that President Hoover appoint another of his commissions to interpret what the Wickersham commission has said."