

Roadside Vendor's Case Given Hearing

Duty Taken Plea For Injunction Against Bloomfield Township Under Adversant

Circuit Judge Frank L. Doty has under advisement today the petition of Roy Crider, of Bald Eagle Lake, for an injunction to restrain Bloomfield township officials from barring him from selling fish and other merchandise from a roadside stand on Woodward avenue near Square Lake road.

A hearing was held Friday on the plea of Judge Doty asked for briefs to be filed by both sides. Meanwhile, a temporary injunction preventing the township from ousting Crider, was continued.

The Township Board passed a resolution July 1 to prohibit the sale of goods on highway property in the township, and providing a \$50 fine or a 30-day jail sentence for each offense.

Crider claims that profits from his stand is the sole support of his and four other families. His attorney, Thomas Blythe, told the court the resolution was passed for "ulterior interests." Floyd Blakeau, township attorney, declared the presence of roadside stands detained from property valuations.

TRYING TO LAUNCH PROSPERITY



Hugh S. Johnson, Administrator of the National Recovery Act, one of the speakers at the breakfast held at the home of George N. Peck, right, and his wife, with other guests.

Two farmers met on the road. "Si, I've got a mule with dinter-pine. What did you give, that one of yours when he had it?" "Tupenine, Goddard again. A week later they met again. "Say, Si, I gave my mule tupentine and it killed him. It killed mine too, Goddard."

Legislators' Revolt May Upset Governor's Vetoes

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(Editor's Note: Mr. Brown, publisher of the Ingham County News and member of the State Legislature, is the author of a recent series of articles in the Eccentric and other Michigan papers on a very important subject, the Reconstruction of the State Administration, to date the first of this series appears on Page 1 of Part 1, this issue of THE ECCENTRIC. Discussion of a possible "Revolt" by some of the Legislature in this article, which is of interest in connection with other topics of the series.)

Contrary to the usual custom of a few of the faithful gathering for the final and formal session of the Legislature July 27, in fact right now there is a well developed plan under way to secure the veto of every member of the Legislature by a majority of the members in coming from several sources and is gathering strength with every passing day. Already Gov. Williams and Comstock has one member, namely that of having a veto measure passed over his objections by a unanimous roll call in the House, something never accomplished before. This was a bill that took away authority of the superintendent of public instruction over school buildings. The governor vetoed it and the House promptly passed it over his head.

The governor picked out two lines for executive disapproval: (1) A bill which would have vetoed the small loan bill and the bill providing a graduated license tax on retail stores and designed to place a handicap on the chains stores. It was backed by 50 merchants of Michigan who in Michigan have 10,000 employees, 2,000 jobbers and wholesalers. In the background also are furniture stores, retail stores and restaurants each of whom has relatives and friends. It is a formidable group who mean to fight hard and they are doing it. (2) Small Loan Veto. Another group of legislators is putting in some good work. It is composed of those who feel the sting of frustration which followed the legislative investigation into the matter of Lansing during the past winter. Among the most active lobbyists, and certainly the lobby which is most active in a most vicious manner, was that of the small loan interests. When the lobby investigated the matter, it found out the picture and, along with that came also strange denials and evasions. It was the matter which happened to the bill in the chambers it would not become a law now that the governor has vetoed the bill there are a number of the leaders of his own party who are going to secure a sufficient number of votes July 17 to enact the measure into law.

One of the letters which have gone out from a Democratic member of the house to his colleagues is a fair sample of the others which are going about between members. This member was among those who struck pretty close to the administration during the winter session and his letter is especially interesting for this reason. He writes in part: "In the 'New Deal' campaign both parties cooperated in carrying out the pledges made to the people in their respective platforms. As we now going to renege these solemn pledges we made or are we going to act to carry out the pledges of the voters? It is a question of principle. Shall we legislate for the CLASSES or the MASSES? Last fall during the campaign a great many Democratic members took decided stands on the small loan act. They promised the voters that they would either outlaw the small loan and household finance company or reduce the legal interest rate to not more than one per cent per month. At the conclusion of the session the present rate of three and one-half per cent per month or 42 per cent per year. The bill as passed calls for a legal rate of 21 per cent per year. It was opposed by one of the most ardent and persistent lobbyists who is operating in Lansing. The governor has vetoed the bill with the explanation that he has become convinced that the small loan concerns cannot operate at 21 per cent a year.

His critics and the opponents of the present act which must stand if the veto stands retort that they are concerned with the existence of the small loan companies. They point out that no working check can be secured at high a price for borrowed money and that the old time loan sharks are still in operation. They also point out that the three ballot men never enjoyed. They refer to high powered salesmanship, as typified in newspaper and radio advertising, as proof that they are lured into signing away their household effects without warning and the high interest rates they evaded. The small loan act is not a member and the governor is retaining a bit of naming for his veto. It is possible that two-thirds of both houses may upset his plans to save the iniquitous concerns which

the liquor, the governor has seen fit to veto it.

Journalism Running Wild

A year ago when the commission of inquiry into state government expenses set about its work, one of the early discoveries made by that group of legislators was the extent to which the propaganda had gone in state affairs. It was found that several department heads had editors on the state payroll and that huge bills of postage were being sent out to the Michigan. All of the so-called public relations men, and is designed to build up the political prestige of some state official or to promote the interests of some department in order to make certain of more potent appropriations. Most of it is designed to create in the public mind the idea that the Hon. Mr. Williams is a wonderful guy, a great public official, and a friend of the poor "people" and by all means to be elected to some higher and more remunerative office. The commission of inquiry called attention to this growing evil and called upon the board of state auditors to clamp the lid on the state printer. The state printer's responsibility clearly at the door of this board.

Not only is the demand for re-education of this growing evil and going unheeded, but quite to the contrary it appears the lid is being put off. The Democratic state central committee has provided a "skilled writer" according to some sources, by the name of "John Doe" in strict conformity to the government, who will write the stuff prepared by department heads and whip it into a neat package in the most highly polished manner. The government has also explained that this new service is intended in no way to cramp the writing style of any state official who wants to do his own job.

Meanwhile the printing and mimeographing bills are piling up and the postage stamps are being consumed in mile-long queues by the important newspapers of Detroit and Grand Rapids, this staff being maintained by one of the best news writers in Michigan supported by a string of smaller city dailies. Added to this preference list are correspondents looking for a job and looking for news in the interests of the Associated Press and the United Press.

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Word puzzle grid with clues and prizes. Includes "Gossip", "Poetic License", "The Puzzle That Pays" section with a grid of letters and instructions for solving the puzzle.

Directions: This is not a crossword puzzle. By the process of elimination, the letters above can be combined to form a combination of a name, address, and telephone number; two names, two telephone numbers, and name, etc., which are found in the ad below. This week's puzzle contains one name, one address, and one telephone number. Mail or bring your answers to the "Puzzle Editor of the Eccentric" before 5 p. m. each Friday. Be sure to sign your name and address. Prizes are awarded for accuracy, neatness, and originality. Start now to win that prize!

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