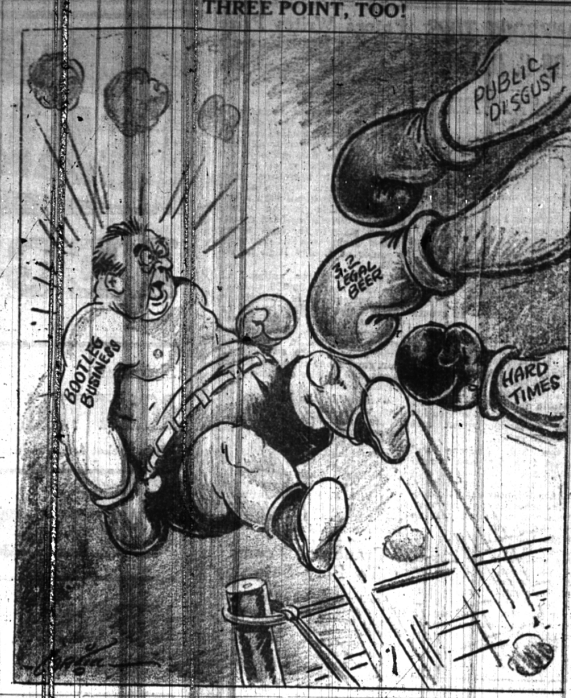


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Selfish Republicanism
During recent weeks the press of Michigan has been filled with various editorial comment as to the future of the Republican party. To those who are at all acquainted with the situation, the answer is comparatively easy; the party has been debilitated too much by self-seeking politicians, and too little by a real desire to serve the people. No political party ever will last very long when it assumes that government exists merely for office holders, and only incidentally for the people who pay the taxes.



The "Big Shots" Say:
William Green, president, A. F. of L.: "During the long-continued period of unemployment, wages have been reduced by many corporations, while at the same time they continued to pay dividends out of surplus earnings created by labor."
H. A. Lynn, official of the Bankers Trust Company: "The public holds the power of life or death over him."

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Hits Off To The Teachers!
This is the roll of economic martyrs for the year 1933 who are on the scroll by the angel Gabriel, we hope they don't overlook the names of American school teachers who have remained loyal to their tasks, even though the public treasures that once supported them have become almost depleted. For there is no greater service one can perform than that of moulding the lives of growing youth, and to do this, except for the influence of parents, most of our lives are influenced greatly by our teachers.

How To Improve Politics
Tongues of informed persons still wag for the elimination of the township unit of government, holding that it is obsolete, expensive, and unnecessary for our modern times. While we grow up with this logic, we do not hold much expectation for governmental improvement through abolition of the township unit. It will take many people off the public payrolls, but there will come in its wake the extravagance and corruption that always accompanies centralized control. The only panacea for corruption and extravagance in government is to cultivate the desire and will to be honest and sincere in your average man and woman; from these two genders of the human species come the people who are your public officials, and the people who support the government that public officials are supposed to administer. In other words, improve people and you will improve the things that people create for their own advancement and protection.

Wall Street Vs. Main Street
J. P. Morgan and ten of his twenty partners are to tell Uncle Sam something of their banking methods when they appear before a Senate committee May 23. It will be interesting to watch how the bankers and Senators make out on one side seeks to elude the questions of the other. Let us hope that the elected representatives of the people of "Main Street" do their stuff with the main residents of Wall Street.

THE OTHER CHAP SAYS SOMETHING—
COLLAPSE OF MIGHTY
A former prominent Republican leader, who was defeated at the last election, was visiting the scenes of his former triumphs last week. He remarked to the reporter who accompanied him to the state chamber which he had just vacated that he was not at all surprised to find that the chamber was in a state of ruin. He said that he had seen the chamber in a state of ruin when he was in office, and that he had seen it in a state of ruin when he was in office.

QUEENS OR SHUPERS?
The rotogravure section of one of the state's great newspapers last Sunday contained a picture of the Governor of Michigan participating in a shape of beer. Whether one does or does not favor the drinking of beer is not the question at hand, but the question of whether a Governor should be seen in a state of inebriation is a question of just ordinary common sense. The Michigan chery growers, who are the result of selling many thousands of dollars worth of chery, are otherwise would have rotted on the ground.

BRAVO, COMSTOCK!
Gov. Comstock was quoted last week as saying, in regard to the bill passed by the senate: "I am not afraid to veto the bill, because I don't care whether I stay in or out of office. I am a lot more interested in the welfare of the state than I am in my own position." This is a very noble and patriotic statement, and it is a pity that the Governor is not more widely known for it.

INFLATION IS NOW THE HOPE FOR
The hope for the future of the country is now inflation. It is the only way to get out of our present financial straits. It is the only way to get out of our present financial straits. It is the only way to get out of our present financial straits.

GOVERNOR, YOU'VE GOT A LOT BETTER
Governor, you've got a lot better than you did in peering through the eyes of a shuper of beer. R. G. Jeffries in Lowell Ledger.

THE INVENTION, MOST NEEDED, AT
The invention, most needed, at present is economic in nature and distribution that will permit us to make full use of improved high-speed production methods and more efficient agriculture—a system that will rectify the paradox of bread lines, unemployment and destitution at a time when granaries are stuffed with "surplus" wheat and factories are closed because of "overproduction." Dick Cook in Hastings Markets—March 27, 1933.

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FOR GENTLER MUTTS
To the Editor:
From the safe confines of lamb, I want to express my feelings about a certain hapless dog who was the victim of Manly avenger. I'm sure about many of my friends always can depend on me, but this dog was a good-sized mutt, and my friends were not so sure. But I got the surprise of my life when I went to the St. Louis Hotel and saw a dog who was a mutt, and my friends were not so sure. But I got the surprise of my life when I went to the St. Louis Hotel and saw a dog who was a mutt, and my friends were not so sure.

Jest For Fun
Fooled That Time
Father, awaiting a happy family event, had fortified his courage at the banquet. At length the nurse appeared with twins in her arms. The happy father blinked and drew himself up proudly. "What beautiful baby!" he exclaimed.

And Thou?
I care not for expensive dresses. Nor precious jewels. I must confess money isn't mine. Money bought to me. All that I ask is just to be among the winners. Beside the brook. With a joy of wine. And a lovely look.

Years for gentler mutts.
G. C. C.
Camp Cass, Mich.
Paralists
Some prejudice is a very useful—especially among people you can't reach with reason.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Henry Ford
Dearborn, Mich.
May 9, 1933
A great thing has occurred amongst us. We have made a complete turn-around, and at last America's face is toward the future. Three years—1929 to 1932—we Americans looked backward. All our old financial and political machinery was geared to pull us out of the depression by the same door through which we entered. We thought it simply a case of going back the way we came. It failed. We now realize that the way out is forward—through it. Thanks for that belongs to President Roosevelt. Inauguration Day he turned the Ship of State around. Having observed the failure of sincere efforts to haul us back the way we came, he designed a new method—new political and financial machinery—to pull us out the way we are going—forward. He is clearing international obstacles out of the way; he does not stand in awe of tariffs. The people begin to feel that he does not take advice from the "interests"; that he has courage and loyalty to work for one supreme interest only—the welfare of the American people. That is a big achievement for two months in office.

And now we all look to what is coming; we grow less and less concerned with what is behind. We are looking for a hand-hold on the haul rope. Every man wants to do what he can, and all he can. The best thing I can do for the Country is to create industry by building good motor cars. If I knew anything better to do I would do it. Industry must be my contribution. Motor cars must race ahead to the future, like everything else. They are so much a part of the Nation's daily life that if they lag behind they hold the Country back.

Henry Ford