PEOPLE'S COLUMN

the Birmingham-Eccentric Legal Reform Needed Now!

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Of Course We Shall Endure!

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De CAN get used to many things that, formerly, held distasteful or even impossible. Take the trend the present federal government toward actually any away hundrds of millions of dollars to the our projects developed under CWA. Not a cent he money paid under this plan is expected to be id by the unit of government that obtains sit, in gaze back, but a comparatively few months in Michigan banks were refused RFC loans—even things has the collateral differed was not up to par; wonder what Senator Couzens thinks now, when moders the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the Rossewit sufficient to the condess the philanthrops of the condess th onder what Senator Couzens thinks now, when inders the philanthropy of the Roosevelt admin-ion against the comparatively frugality of the er administration. We'll bet he is, at times, be-red by it all.

ildered by it all.

In the Jong wiew, of course, the only justification is the outright grants of money under CWA are bridged and a great social revolution wherein the outright grants of money under CWA are bridged to the profits and course of money for profits is going to be designed on the name might enable the State's non-tisk of the manner in which those profits affect of Queens to keep the wolf away manner beings. The readjustments going on today of the profits of the profits

And regardless of the whimsical trends of the mo-ent, this great nation will "come through"; and is our belief that the travail and the struggle for if preservation that each of us endures will make our country a stronger, more characterful, more at nation of contented men and women, boys

urging Us Pagans

the giltor of The Michigan Christian Advocate, schodist journal, laments the dangers confronting unch success. In an adtornal tilthe other day he says, mong other things, "It is hard to write, but an in-eating number of our Methodists are drinking jour and even serving it, selling it from their stores, nating property to beer-joints and boldly defying us put on the screens."

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The religious editor goes on to argue that the church scipline, if applied "with vigor and rigor," "might rik wonders, but the chances are against it." He neludes by asserting that "only a revival of religion II store wi."

If save us."
Well, if things are even half as bad as the Christian cell, it things are even half as bad as the Christian ocate scribe says they are, then why should the hers of today, cry for the "dear old days of the datas"—for certainly no period in the world's cry offered a greater challenge to courageous souls this Twentieth Century. And, also, no part of rords needs to be de-paganized any more than the old U.S.A. old U. S.

dows of John Wesley, draw your robes more bout you and step up sprightly to show your that moral discipline is yet a paying proposi-

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which is justifiable reason for the bond issue. At which one of the stituation, we are inclined a the three special session, hughed. But upon discussing is with our wife, she pointed out that "Michair a not a bad situation. The Angel Gabriel was a state of incipient insurrection—those Demonstric Leaders in Lansing are the ones leading it against the leaders in Lansing are the ones leading it against good to the constitution, aren't they?"

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Our Cock-eyed World

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be with Mr: Barleycorn now, regardless of how
strength he manifests from his bottle abode.

of the daily newspapers, on pages that are not
dt oserious spiritual uplife and general social
wement subjects, even print pictures of men and
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NG NUMBERS, hundreds of thousands of NOMBERS, hundreds of thousands of escanats are demanding "work and bread" from control of the government. Having appar-rived the world depression better than most antries so far, France is about to encounter the momic problems that long ago engulfed Eng-the United States. Well, in the words of the "Thirty million Frenchmen can't be wrong."

MAYOR KELLY says "shame" when he sees nding up against a bar, drinking. He pro-dinance to stop this, holding that "Woman-d be held on a higher plane." The Mayor sees a difference between the spirits and the

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Statues Of War!

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Good, Old "Carefree" Comstock "Carefree" Comstock, who, in his spare time, acts as Governor of Michigan, was the first to purchase some fluour at one of the Detroit stores lars Staturday. The smile that adorned his features, as presented in The Detroit News, suggests that "Carefree" may not always have a good time while the Michigan Legisla on ture is in sassion—but he certainly seems to know something of the anticipated world of uplifted spirits when the human operation bloods. something of the anticipated world of uplifted spirits when the human organism absorbs the warrage metace of John Barleycorn. We suggest that some distiller obtain permission from the Governor to label a special brand. "Carefree." While not exactly portraying the took in its loftiest phases, still the royalty for using his name might enable the Start's non-crowning crowner of Queens to keep the wolf away from the Capitol doors.

Correcting Tax Rolls

Charles S. Sparks, Oakland County treasurer, disserves credit for obtaining CWA funds with which to correct property descriptions on the various tax assessments rolls. Last year incorrect descriptions amounted to more than \$800,000.00; according to law, persons whose properties are incorrectly described need not pay taxes for the year or years so described. This cost the State of Michigan, in 1932, almost six millions of dollars. That means that this deficit in added the following year, making for great inequality in tax payments. Mr. Sparks, whose suggestion to the CWA has provided employment for many engineers and surveyors, should be thanked for his thoughtfulness in correcting a situation that has been neglected for too lying a time. long a time

Liquor In Politics

LIQUOT IN POINTES
"In the good, old days," it was a readily admitted fact that the liquor business dominated American politics, in Michigan, today, however, that is not politics controls liquor, also readily admitted, for politics controls liquor, also readily admitted there be any evil in liquor, it is with us today as "in the good, old days," All of which only proves that John Barlevorn, in any masquerade attire, is bound to raise hell in any party.

Oh, Deer!

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In the short space of seven years three doe deer and two bucks, protected from hunters and left entirely to their own abilities to survive, increased to a berd of 162. Se reports the Michigan Conservation Dept. The deer were located on a preserve near Pinckney, Livingstone County, which is operated by the University of Michigan, and owned by Col. Edwin S. George, of Bloomield Hills. The report failed to state whether or just the deer are working under any federal code.

Best O' Luck, NIF. Flearu: At a distance, and without any personal first-hand knowledge of the situation, we are inclined to believe that Frank A. Picard, chairman of the State Liquor Control Board, is sincerely trying to do the best he that Frank A. Picard, chairman of the State Liquor Control Board, is sincerely trying to do the best he can in a bad situation. The Angel Gabriel would prepare a special medal for Mr. Picard if he is able, during the moants to come, to keep Michigan officialdom free from corruption at the hand of John Barleycorn and John's cunning agents. Best o'luck to you, Mr. Picard—for there's many a Michigan wife and mother whose happiness hangs in the balance since John has come back to renew his acquaintance and friendship in a legal manner. a legal manner

Man Alone Spits

We have just learned that man is the only animal that spits. If he would confine his spitting merely, to saliva— —plain or colored—and not spit out venomous words, he would be a better animal than he is.

NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER, president of Columbia University, made a speech the other day, advocating that "service, not profit, motivate our nation." He is also the chap who, a few months back, tried to get several hundreds of thousands of dollars back from a Wall Street banker on certain investments made during the prosperity era.

CHARLE SEED, Rockester Clarion editor, gives us a good chuckle in this: "We may stand this CWA dole to artists, but God spare us if they start financing the poets." (Apparently, Charlie, you think there is neither rhyme nor meter to the CWA.)

A CHICAGO BURGLAR, after the lapse of a year, re-turned to its owner a \$250 banjo, with the explana-tion "that I can't learn to play it." Which only adds to the already known fact that burglary is poor pickin'.

WE HOPE THAT "the era of rugged individualism" that has marked our nation for 50 years does not become "an era of rugged individualism." And it won't either—if we all keep our shirts on.

From THE ECCENTRIC Columns of Long Ago

FIFTY YEARS AGO Mine host Daines had a large at-ndance at his annual New Year's

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

guests were present and left gifts chough to load a wagton. Success to the hope with the bary was a success to the hope with the bary was a success to the hope with the hope of Fine Lake to a valuable rugg muft he night of the New Year's dance at the Jes hall. She left it on the car going home—Zip! She'll never see and the first time out in society. Say, who stole the \$10 oastrich jume? Disaster is close on the district of the state of the say when the drop comes. They are coming! Monday, Jan. Oddfellows, No. 5 ft, will be organized at the J-S Hall. Two hundred visiting brethren from Detroit and Pontace will be here. A to be present if possible.

The senior class is fortunate in securing the lecture, "The Seventh Sense." Make the most of it.

Birmingham listened to the swan song with languor and accepted the coming of 1929 with few signs of interest as far as noise is concerned. The streets were practically barren at midnight Monday, and even a lone horn blower could not be discovered.

ANOTHER NEW YEAR'S HANGOVER!



The Other Chap Says Something—

INSULTING HIS STATE A state of insurrection exists in C likelingan, if we may believe Gov-feror Comstock and Attorney a General O'Brien. 'The safety of a classification of the state requires that the incipient insurrection be surpressed so der as it is essisting and that it is a fer as it is essisting and that it is a state of the stat

A SMOLDERING FIRE

FIVE YEARS AGO

ter—is against control by bureau crats, who, as one mogul wrath-fully put it, "look alike, think alike, and, yes, "b' God, smell

alike, and, yes, a woo, alike, and ike, and ike, and theorists. Wishington fairly crawles with dreawers, fanatics and theorists. So work and the state of the sta

SO THAT PEOPLE MAY KNOW

ALL OF US

-By Marshal Maslin -AS A WILD wolf sometimes paces up and down, up and down, in narrow place, longing for freedom, snarling through the bars of his cage, viciously pathetic.

So, sometimes, is a min.

As a cat beautifully cruel, springs upon an unsuspecting bird/ and pulls it all torn and bleeding to the early, and lets it go and catches it again, and plays with it and mistreats and finally kills it, without hunger, for the joy of the killing—

her cow on the prairie, surrounded by woives, retreats and keeps her calf close and watches narrowly and defends a bravely and sacrifices times, lives a man.

And horrible products were spawned,
But homegrown drama has lapsed, these days,
For another era has dawned;
It seems each cop and chiropodist,
Each cowboy alone with his

It seems each cop and chiropodist, Each cowboy alone, with his Feels consecrated to pen a list. Of the ten most beautiful words, They weigh the merits of dawn and leaf, of the ten and leaf, of the ten unaesthetic ones too. There's scream, the groun of a back that breaks In a forcibly opened hook; And phisp, the sound that a garwhen it salls from a closet hook; Ulah unobtrusively points the feel.

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One Minute Pulpit

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And he was divorced.

E Pluribus Decem
Time wares wrote plays's creature wares wrote plays.
And horrible products were spawned,

Wisdom is the principa thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.— Proverbs 4:7.

Short Story He mumbled a few words in

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TROWBRIDGE GAIL

Poems That Live

TO WORDSWORTH Poet of Nature, thou has wept to

Vaudeville is placing a ban on depression jokes. Naturally, they can't compete with the jokes on depression given us within the past two years by economists, bankers and politicians.—B'nai B'rith Messenger.

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