

Ultimate Utopia will come about only when man discovers and then applies Natural Law. Following Nature's Law makes two plus two equal four; makes strong iron equal weaker from crude mineral matter; the like of which has been and is being made by the hand of man; and personal sacrifice equal contentment; makes friendliness bring peace.

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By G. R. A.

In his zeal for greater freedom from slavery of employment, your average man seems to go wild over one circumstance to another, without much deep thought on the subject. Many of the best men, too—rush into the arms of strange demagogues, hoping for better work and better working conditions; to do this is not unnatural. But history repeats itself. In this war between capital and labor, has never permanently solved the problem of increased wages for laborers as well as to have been able to prevent hard times. In reality, there is no conflict between capital and labor as such, but a purely a presumption, based upon ignorance of natural economic law.

Capital and labor are twin-brothers in the job of producing the things of life; capital is a by-product of labor, and is entitled to its share of the wealth created, of course. Sometimes capital does not get its share of the wealth created, and labor suffers. But this difference is very slight when one considers the use of land in the tremendous barrier that prevents labor from getting its share of the wealth that it creates, is simply this: we live under a system of taxation that encourages the excessive use of land in the form of high rentals and excessive prices for the use of such land is the basic cause of our wages.

My argument merely presents the economic principles discovered 4000 years ago by one of the greatest social thinkers who ever lived; his name was Henry George, Professor John Dewey, and Dr. Colman Woodbridge, philosopher still living, declares that "it would require less than three figures of men to enumerate those who, from Plato down, rank with Henry George among the world's great social thinkers. No man, no graduate of a higher educational institution, has ever read the works of this educated man in social thought unless he has some first-hand acquaintance with the historical contribution of this great American thinker."

I please do not assume that because I am a philosopher, I am opposed to the willingness of people who own land to receive a return for it, or even to sell it at as high a price as they can. Such landholders are carrying on a traditional and ancient land transactions which are perfectly legal—even though they violate natural economic law. And but true, many people do speculate in land values so because they think it morally right. They are sure to be laughed at otherwise. And so, in spite of mankind's increased ability to produce wealth, and progress in industrial and agricultural productivity, mankind also makes constant progress in the maintenance of poverty.

25 DELEGATES AT CONFERENCE

Annual Cranbrook Assembly Saturday Draws County School Youth

The ninth annual Cranbrook Conference, sponsored by the Birmingham and Pontiac YMCA Council of Social Agencies and the Cranbrook Y, was held Saturday at Cranbrook with more than 250 boys and girls in attendance.

The conference opened at 9 a. m. with Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach, of Christ Church, speaking on "Life Objectives." The morning session was presided over by Dr. David E. Souquist, director of Michigan Federation of Co-Operatives. An organ recital and meeting in the afternoon program.

League Offers Talk On Foreign Affairs

Philip Adler, of the Detroit News, will discuss the present international situation at an open meeting in the Community House Monday evening, sponsored by the Birmingham League of Women Voters. Mr. Adler, who has just returned from a trip through Europe and is well versed on the situation there, will discuss the situation on the continent; it will be his first public appearance since his travels and the league anticipates many will take advantage of the opportunity to hear him.

ADAPT SPECIAL TO LOWER SEWER COSTS

City Commission Approves Assessment After A Hearing

A special assessment roll, prepared by City Assessor Elmer Haack for the purpose of meeting the expense necessary for the installation of a storm sewer along the site of the old Grand Frank right-of-way and within the district bounded on the North by Maple Avenue, on the east by the River Rouge, on the South by Adams Road, and on the west by Woodward Avenue, was adopted by the city commission after a public hearing Monday night.

W. W. Raymond, representing present and prospective owners of lots which will be assessed, appeared before the commission and advised that amount levied against the properties at the ground that the irregular shape of the lots made them bear too high a tax in relation to benefits to be received. After a lengthy discussion, the commission agreed with Mr. Raymond. An adjustment will be made on the properties at once.

A second protest, written to the commission by Mrs. Stella Fisher, 515 E. Maple Ave., was placed on file without any action being taken. All property owners within the special assessment area were sent notices of the hearing during the past week.

ASKS APPEAL BE WITHDRAWN

Bloomfield Hills Petition For Re-Evaluation Held Up

Members of the State Tax Commission, meeting with the Oakland County Board of Supervisors in Pontiac Monday, reviewed the petition of Bloomfield Hills for a re-evaluation and, through Mr. B. McFarson, commission chairman, advised the municipality to withdraw its appeal from the valuation assigned it by the county board of supervisors last July. McFarson said that due to the volume of work elsewhere in the state the commission would be unable at this time to give proper attention to Oakland valuations.

The commission chairman promised that the state tax body will, before next April, send agents to compare valuations with the view toward giving the city and other units a suitable valuation for the following year.

Writes Graphic Account of Hour By Hour Existence In Chinese Centers of Combat

Editor's Note: Mrs. George Greene, Jr., sister-in-law of Harvey B. Greene, 684 Michigan Ave., has written for the magazine a graphic account of her hysteria and how civilian Americans live under the shadow of a Japanese and chaotic Chinese centers of combat.

Mrs. Greene, born in Shanghai and educated at Ohio Wesleyan College, has spent most of her life in close association with the Orient. Her husband is a member of the World War and the disaster left in its wake are printed below.

Never having been blessed with a public appearance since news or having received training for reporting undeclared wars, I rather hesitate to add my tale to the mass of things that are ready heard. At any rate, I shall attempt to be accurate in my account of the things that are as thrilling as you anticipated, please attribute it to the fact that I'm so weary to describe the present situation of the present situation. I have seen of this trouble is as good as the end of the world. I have seen of this trouble is as good as the end of the world. I have seen of this trouble is as good as the end of the world.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1937

"Hold Them Horses, Paup"



Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. Stacy and their daughter, Mary, of 711 Albany Road, seated in the first two-seated "Motor Car" ever sold in this country. The car was purchased by Mr. Stacy's father in 1900, used for four years, then jacked up and left in a barn in Urbana, Ohio, until the past Spring when Mr. Stacy presented the car to Henry Ford. It is now on display in Greenfield Village.

Waits Two Years For Delivery On First 2-Seated Motor Carriage Sold In Country

"There are four people in my family, and I must have a two-seated motor carriage," wrote Wilmer C. Stacy, father of Allen C. Stacy, 711 Albany road. It was the first two-seated car put in production in the United States, and only the 25th car made by the company.

After a sensational career extending over four years, the car was put out on jacks in a barn in Urbana, Ohio, and left there until this spring. At that time it was taken out and presented to Henry Ford, for his Greenfield Village Collection. Mr. Ford has repaired the car, and it is now on display in Greenfield Village.

Service Held For Edgar C. Poppleton

Edgar C. Poppleton, one of the pioneer real estate operators in Birmingham, died Monday in Detroit, following an illness of three weeks. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the William R. Hamilton Co. chapel with burial in the Central cemetery.

Mr. Poppleton was born in Birmingham July 17, 1849. He graduated from the University of Michigan in the class of 1871. He returned to this city after his life in the army and spent a number of years here before becoming an operator. He retired from business in 1917.

Mr. Poppleton and his wife, Mary E., who survives him, divided their time between Houghton Lake and points in Florida since his retirement. Besides his widow, he leaves a daughter, Mrs. C. R. H. H. Knox Poppleton, of this city.

Y Dinner Speaker

Ray Bechtold Is Principal Speaker For Campaign Opener

Ray Bechtold, Baldwin high school principal, will be the principal speaker at the annual Y. M. C. A. campaign dinner in the Community House tomorrow evening. Upwards of 100 officials and workers are expected to attend the affair, the opening move in this year's drive to raise \$4,820.

Dr. John K. Ormond, recently retired president of the local "Y" organization, will be in charge of the campaign dinner, which starts under way at 6:30 p. m. The program will include, in addition to Mr. Bechtold's address on "This City," brief speeches by five young men who have played a prominent part in carrying on the organization's work in Birmingham. The Rev. John E. Martin will offer the invocation.

Baldwin Principal Ray H. Bechtold will be the principal speaker at the YMCA campaign dinner in the Community House tomorrow evening. Over 100 workers in this year's drive to raise \$4,820 are expected to attend.

15 POSTOFFICE SITES STUDIED

Federal Expert Arrives To Appraise Property Offered

Acting as a site agent for the federal postoffice department, Roy LaForge, postal expert from Washington, D. C., has been busy since Monday looking over 15 sites individually offered to the government as a possible location for Birmingham's new postoffice building which will be erected here within the next two years.

Tri-Club Group Entertained By Rev. Aulenbach At Monday Meet

"Man, existing in a transitional world must learn to live well in the present with less anxiety about the future if he is to enjoy that future," Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach, of Christ Church Cranbrook, said in his talk on "Living as you love, before the next tri-club meeting of the fall session Monday night in the Community House."

Charles B. Winn, C. S. B., of Pasadena, Calif., will deliver a lecture on "Christian Science; the Revelation of Abundant Life," at the Baldwin High School auditorium Friday evening. Mr. Winn is a member of the board of lecturership of the mother church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

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Resigns School Job For Cranbrook Post

Baldwin high school authorities this week accepted the resignation of Miss Esther Rainey from her post as assistant principal, a position which she has filled for the past four years. She will assume a similar position at Cranbrook in the fall.

Chrysler Hail James R. Adams' New Book On Advertising As Break In Field

A new book which critics say is a real break in the field of important publications in the business field, written by James R. Adams, of Birmingham, has reached the bookstores today. The book is "More Power to Advertising" published by Harper & Brothers, 414 S. Third St. It is written with as many phases of current merchandising and advertising. Each chapter follows a three-fold pattern in that Mr. Adams first presents the subject under analysis, then points out weak places as he sees them, and lastly offers constructive suggestions for improvement.

Merchants Start 2-Day Challenge Sale Tomorrow

Over 100 Business Houses Offer Money-Saving Items

A city-wide "Challenge Sale," sponsored by the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association with over 100 business houses participating, will be held tomorrow and Saturday. Shoppers are urged to check over the many bargains featured in advertisements appearing in this issue of the Centennial. Additional money-saving items will be on display in the cooperation of many local retailers.

Milk Fund Benefit Is Planned Nov. 19

Plans have been completed for the annual milk fund benefit Nov. 19 at Pierce School, according to Mrs. Jack Boomer, chairman of this year's affair. The benefit is sponsored by the Pierce Parent-Teacher Association and receipts are used to supply free milk to indigent youngsters attending the grade school.

The program will include dancing, bridge and motion pictures. The Royal Oak American Legion Drum and Chugle Corp. will play and a quilt will be given away. Mrs. Boomer said tickets, ten cents each or three for 25 cents, are on sale. Further details on the benefit will be announced later.

Honor Thomas At Reception

Affair Friday In Adams School Attracts 200 Guests

Autumn leaves and banks of evergreen, whose shades were intentionally forgotten, formed an attractive background for the reception held at Adams Junior high school Friday night, honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Thomas. Mr. Thomas, new principal of the school was presented to the 200 guests at the affair, along with Mrs. Thomas, by Superintendent of Schools Howard D. Crall and Mrs. Crall, who headed the reception line.

Also honored were three new members of the Adams Faculty. Mrs. Guy Brown, Mrs. Lawrence McMillen and Miss Edith Sandell, all of whom are in the receiving line. Others in the line included Mark Hardin, John Rowe, John Black and Earl Potter, members of the Board of Education.

Mrs. Donald T. Stanton was general chairman of the reception. She is a graduate of the Birmingham College for the feminine members of the receiving line, as well as the other formal decorations, were presented by Breitmeyer's Inc., Detroit florists.

During the course of the reception, a string ensemble from Baldwin high school played, led by Arnold W. Berndt, director of the public school music in Birmingham.

Wants Ads

Each week these little Ads bring opportunity to job-hunters, real-estate services—and many other miscellaneous wants.

Miss Margaret Leibold, in charge of the program of mental hygiene work at Birmingham, is discussing the subject with the principals at a regular community meeting. Superintendent Howard Crull pointed to the facts, substantiated by the following paragraph bears evidence of experience and clear thinking. And it is a delight to find a man reading—of the cub or the veteran; although it may make many a man squint a little. I hope it will have a large sale.

Expressions in the same vein have been made by other prominent men. (Continued on Page Two)

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