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Good Business Must Present Its Case

The better type of business executive has not given an expression to his views and, for some reason, the ruthless individuals have been able to get by with anything to the great detriment and legitimate enterprise.

Abolish The Traffic "Fixer."

Recently, an experienced police officer declared that one of the greatest handicaps in enforcing traffic regulations was the "fixer," the official said. Nowadays almost everyone, from the ditch-digger to State Senator, has a friend in the police department or knows someone who has.

Rats Cost

The rat population of the United States is estimated at 123,000,000 and, according to the Department of Agriculture, they cause an estimated annual damage of \$189,000,000.

Never Too Old To Study

They might be interested in the opinion of Frank N. Freeman, professor of educational psychology at the University of Chicago, who says that adults up to middle life can learn better than children and as well as youths.

World Peace

The decision by Rotary International at its recent convention in Nice, France, to raise a peace fund of \$2,000,000 is a welcome recognition by the world's business men of the world that in these troubled times they must accept responsibility for active peace education and promotion.

Important Things

He had a few ideas about domestic things, however, that seem worth noting. In the first place he said that the important thing that confronts America is a solution of the agricultural problem. This, he went on, the people of the East do not realize.

Peace

It is not impossible that the men of this country will catch up with their women folks in the course of a few years both in understanding of international affairs and the occasion of peace education, nationally and locally.—Peace Action.

Patience, Men and Women! It would be a great and valuable experience if every man, once during his lifetime, could sit over there on Mars for half an hour and get perspective on our domestic affairs.

Mr. Baruch, American financier, recently returned from Europe where he had spent a few weeks. He was somewhat pessimistic about the future peace of the world and little bit anxious lest our neutrality law "get us into war now."

Labor's Own Responsibilities

Labor's responsibility is taken from the editorial column of the Wyandotte Daily News: The Workers Council of Social Justice has set up certain responsibilities that labor and capital have, which if fulfilled will make for greater harmony in the labor world.

A Few Helps For Motorists

Signal the man behind... When slowing up, when turning corners, when coming to a stop... He is not a mind reader.

Our Bill of Rights

Recently America observed its 150th anniversary of the signing of our Constitution on September 17, 1787.

Random Remarks

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My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Adding insult to injury President Roosevelt is reported to have said out West that he, as President, has great things to say about our country and she for "petty squabbles." He must think of the future.

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Crime Bill advertisement: 15 BILLION DOLLARS CRIME BILL. COULD BE COMBATED BY 10 MILLIONS OF LAWYERS. PLAYS OUT TO GIRL'S DEATH. ASSAULTS, MURDER, ROBBERY, BURGLARS REPEAT AT 2 PLANTS HERE.

Happenings of Long Ago: Tuesday evening, October 4, is the date of the oyster festival, to be given at the Hotel Oak Grove... Fifty Years Ago... Twenty-five Years Ago... Five Years Ago.

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