

It is just as necessary to weed from your mind evil thoughts as it is to spend time pulling weeds in your garden. Good thoughts crowd out evil thoughts, always.

SIXTY-FIRST YEAR—NO. 12

Holly Plans To Hold Centennial In July

Those attending the Holly Centennial Celebration, July 2, 3, and 4, will find dozens of free contests and attractions to hold their interest and attention during their visit. The Centennial committee have spent weeks in the preparation of their special program.

The Fourth of July will find several contestants vying for top honors in the horse-pulling contest, which will be conducted with the weight gauge-meter of Michigan State College. On the morning of Sunday, the third, marksmen will be competing for all the Centennial prizes offered in the Skeet shoot. These are but two of the

many contests and attractions which have been arranged for the Centennial visitors from rural areas.

Throughout the three days of the Centennial the visiting public, both rural and urban, will be shown a display of farm implements and equipment. This will be a progressive displaying, showing the history and progress of farm tools, from the old horse-drawn era, down through the modern mechanized era of 1938.

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"A week after their wedding they were throwing crockery at each other," said a landlady in court recently. It is not every couple that settles down to married life so quickly.—The Humorist.

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DONDERO TO BE HONOR GUEST OF R. O. ACORN POST

Hon. Charles P. Taft, son of William Howard Taft, former President of the United States and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, has been invited to speak at the banquet now being arranged by Acorn Post No. 1269, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Royal Oak, in honor of the Hon. George A. Dondero, Member of Congress for the 17th Michigan District. Mr. Taft is a member of the City Commission, Cincinnati, O., and active in civic affairs in the Buckeye State. Like his illustrious father, he is an attorney at law.

Rep. George A. Dondero, the honor guest, has served the people of the 17th Michigan District most ably during the past six years. He has been a tireless worker in the U. S. House of Representatives and the members of the Acorn Post No. 1269 are planning this banquet, which will be held in Royal Oak on Tuesday, June 28th, as recognition for his splendid record of congressional service.

Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott, 7th Michigan District, has notified Fletcher L. Renton, chairman of the program committee, that he will be present and fulfill his speaking assignment for the evening. Rep. Roy O. Woodruff, 10th Michigan District, and Rep. Fred L. Crawford, 9th Michigan District, have been invited to be present and the committee expects to have their acceptance shortly.

Tickets have been priced at 75c and may be obtained from members of Acorn Post No. 1269, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or by getting in touch with Grant Mauldin, 927 E. Sixth St., Royal Oak.

FORMER SHERIFF TO SEEK OFFICE AGAIN THIS YEAR

In a statement issued today, Frank Schram, former Sheriff of Oakland County, announced his candidacy for the same office in this year's race. Mr. Schram said: "During my last term as Sheriff of Oakland County, in 1932, I declined to again seek office in order to permit the late Frank J.

Greenan, who was then my undersheriff, to run for that office and I intended to permanently retire from public life. Since then I have been repeatedly urged by many citizens to again become a candidate for the office of Sheriff.

"Because so many of the people of Oakland County are so sincerely urging me to become a candidate, I have decided to enter the race this year.

"I feel that my many years of experience in that office and in general police work qualify me adequately for the post and I therefore seek the nomination for the office of Sheriff on the Republican ticket.

"While serving as sheriff it was always my aim and my conduct the office in an honest, efficient and capable manner. With that end in view I insisted on having a staff of clean, reliable and energetic officers under me. By active cooperation with other law-enforcement agencies in this county and rendering prompt and courteous service to the public generally, I established what I believe to be an enviable record as a public servant.

"My only campaign promise is that, if elected, I shall endeavor to the best of my ability, to maintain the same high degree of efficiency in the office as when I formerly served as sheriff. I am not obligated to any faction or private interests which would prevent my giving a whole-hearted effort to enforce all of the laws of the State.

"I am married and reside with my wife and two sons at 14 North Shirley Street, Pontiac, Mich."

Every Time.
An ambulance has the right of way and there is a pedestrian in the ambulance.—The Detroit News.

Credit Goes Back To Days Of Phoenician Merchants, Records Of Antiquity Reveal

Editor's Note: In times like the present, when so much is written and discussed regarding credit, both national and international, W. R. Elcock, of 7530 W. 10th St., who has made an extensive study of the subject, has undertaken to explain the meaning of "Credit" to readers of The Eclectic, to whom it may seem complicated and difficult to understand.

By W. R. Elcock

There is nothing new about Credit. It is not as some people think, a creation of modern times; it is hourly with us. It was known and used in the days of those merchant adventurers, the Phoenicians, whose ships sailed the Mediterranean and even ventured out beyond the Pillars of Hercules to the Atlantic, then an unexplored sea, to the shores of Gaul and Britain. Frequently the Phoenicians extended credit from voyage to voyage.

The astute Chinese, who as merchants rank second to the world, have for many centuries extended credit with a minimum of loss. And it may remain in passing that the Chinese have an quaint custom Western civilization might well adopt, namely, the settlement of all past due accounts at Chinese New Year.

In medieval England the merchants of those days traded with France for wines and silks. For protection against robbers the merchant armed himself with a sword that could be used for a yardstick, the sword being an ell or yard in length from guard to tip. He carried the sword on him from trip to trip, but his losses, the troubles times taken into consideration, were more than offset by his profits.

Again the merchants of Venice, who in the 15th and 16th century and even later traded all over the known world, sold their merchandise on credit terms, and the records show that in extending credit all past due money, they were quite successful.

Credit Prime Element

In America since Colonial times, credit has been one of the prime elements. The merchants of the day solicited charge accounts and financed many ventures to open up new lands, and the records of Salem, Newburyport, and Boston show that these merchants were keen collectors as they were traders.

In these modern days when everything from a shirt to a home is sold on time, credit is extended to almost anyone who can show he has a job or an income.

If credit were to be restricted to those able to pay cash for their purchases, the sales of automobiles, washing machines, and a host of other commodities that are more or less expensive would be restricted to about 18 per cent of the usual volume. As a result, plants would close down, employment be curtailed, and the unemployed become a bigger problem than ever.

In the agricultural areas of the South and West, the farmer, stock and rancher, and the grower of the fruit on the trees, or live stock on the farm, expecting the merchant, auto dealer, banker and implement man to carry them against future prospects. Credit is even essential to the grower of the lowly share cropper. The merchants are not to be carried over to another season, rather that the state will be wiped clean so that no notes need to be renewed. Merchants of the South and the long run make very small losses and if they hang on long enough usually can hand some profits.

Essential to Business

It is essential that credit be fully maintained at all times, and used freely in all legitimate business enterprises. It is to be noted in this connection that 82 per cent of the business of the nation is dependent on ability to provide credit. In times of depression we are frequently told that money is scarce. It is not money that is hard to get, but credit. Whether fear or caution banks, wholesalers and retailers might as well restrict their credit lines and try to get in their outstanding loans and accounts. This of course forces a curtailment all along the line and affects both sales and employment.

Based on Confidence

If we ask who credit is, the answer is not difficult. It is based on confidence not only in ourselves but in the other fellow. It is inherent honesty and good name. As Shakespeare said, "He who robs me of my good name," etc. That good name is one of the basic factors in credit. Acting on our faith in the other fellow, we are willing to advance him funds or merchandise, trusting to his promise to repay the advances within certain specific periods.

We wonder if many people give the obligation imposed by credit more than a passing thought. Many who ask and expect credit when making purchases are very much offended if the question is raised of their ability to pay. Failure to pay on the due date is often lightly regarded. Borrowers or buyers should be made

SUMMER BOOKS OFFER PLEASURE FOR IDLE HOURS

By Linda Moore

Recent books for intermediate readers include some that ought to give the old swimmer a little competition for an hour or two. There is, for instance American Wings by Burr Laysan, which is the story of present day airships and the men who fly them. Captain Laysan covers every phase of flying from army and navy aviation to skywriting and fighting insect pests by plane. There is much about Randolph Field, Tex., the "West Point of the air," where rookie cadets learn to handle their planes, to judge wind and weather, practice stunt flying and war maneuvering and all the thousand and one things the army pilot must know before he earns the coveted winged insignia.

Trick Photography. by E. T. Hamilton. Have you ever peered over the picture of the pretty girl in the bottle and wondered how on earth such a photograph could be. The camera doesn't lie, but Mr. Hamilton, makes it tell some pretty tall tales. With the aid of a black cloth, a cover for his lens and a little careful focusing, he makes twin where there was but one girl before and other strange and wonderful phenomena. There is the boy holding a girl on his outstretched hand, the tiny gentleman who dangles nonchalantly from the electric light pull and "The pipe dream." With the photographs are directions for obtaining all of these and others suggested by the author.

We didn't Mean to go to Sea, by Arthur Ransome. A salty tale of two boys who set out from the English coast for an afternoon's sail and landed in Holland after an exciting night spent dodging steamships in the English Channel.

Tale of the Four Tribes, by Herbert Best. The story of Talm the orphan, the landless one who yet became the real ruler of the Four Tribes of Africa. Mystery and adventure against the exotic background of the Dark Continent.

Your Washington, by M. F. Parkton. A complete description of the nation's capital, of the people who live there and what they do, of the men who make our laws, the foreign diplomats and all the other types of men and women that make up this unique city.

GRADUATE

Donald Donaldson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Donaldson, of 7530 W. 10th St., was one of the more prominent members of this year's graduating class at Michigan State College.

He is affiliated with Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and was active in the affairs of the organization. He was a member of the college's Mathematics Club and also served on the varsity track team for three years, gaining wide attention for his performance.

Mr. Donaldson is a graduate of Baldwin high school, where he also was active in athletics and other school affairs.

SAFETY COUNCIL APPEALS FOR 'SANER' FOURTH

"Let's be alive on the Fifth!"

With this appeal, the National Safety Council today called upon every citizen and every police officer in the country to unite in a nationwide campaign to reduce the annual Fourth of July accident toll.

By the fourth holiday toll, July accident fatalities are estimated to year far surpass those of any other month, the Council said, and last year totalled 10,200 in the United States.

"This figure, the Council pointed out, presents the ironic picture of many more Americans slaughtered annually in celebrating their independence than died in the war that generated it.

The campaign, aimed not only at the holiday toll but at high death totals piled up throughout July and other summer months, is endorsed and supported actively by these national organizations:

National Congress of Parents and Teachers, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, International Brotherhood of Chiefs of Police, General Federation of Women's Clubs, National Society for Prevention of Blindness, International Society for Crippled Children, American Red Cross, National Guard, American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, Automotive Safety Foundation, American Automobile Association, American Association of State Highway Officials, Institute of Traffic Engineers, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, Knights of Columbus, B'nai B'rith, the Masonic Order, Knights of Pythias, Elks, Eagles, Moose, Kiwanis International.

Enthusiastic endorsement also has come from Thomas H. MacDonald, chief of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, and Daniel C. Roper, Secretary of Commerce.

Each of these organizations not only has endorsed the campaign, but is asking its members to pledge themselves individually to drive more carefully, to exercise caution in swimming and not to use fireworks.

The Council also has enlisted the support of President Roosevelt, governors of the 48 states, motor vehicle administrators, heads of the state highway patrols, mayors of every city over 10,000 and chiefs of police of those cities.

All of these law enforcement agencies, as well as individual citizens, are asked by the Council to wage war on the three major enemies of summer safety—traffic crashes, drownings and fireworks casualties.

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