

DEFICIT

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1933 to 1938, which should be paid for \$60,000.  
TAX COLLECTIONS 77%  
When these little differences are straightened out, it is still likely that the County faces a deficit of \$150,000 or more in 1940, the League contends, if tax payments are 80 per cent. To date, taken over in 1938 have been 77 per cent collected.

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300, a dozen of whom were from Birmingham.  
Case Waters pointed out the biggest single reason for the impending deficit: the tremendous cost of health and welfare. These appropriations, for hospitalization of the needy, "plain" welfare, indigent's burials, care for the tubercular, relief, probate court work, the county health department, and so on, total \$653,521, contrasted to \$458,871 for all other operating expenses, and \$239,335 for debt service.

CAN'T RAISE RATE  
He pointed out further that the Board had gone as far as it could under the 15-mill limitation law, under which the county has been given a maximum rate of 14.50 a thousand for operation.

However, one bright bit of news reported came from Stacy S. Skelton, former ERA administrator. He pointed out that the welfare case load is now about 941 for direct relief, a great reduction.

George D. Miller, of Birmingham, secretary of the League's positive board, pointed out that item in the budget of \$105,000 for the sheriff's office, and asked if this could not be reduced if a State Police post were situated in Oakland.

Waters answered that much of the county areas are "urban"—of the resort type, making necessary a large local force for protection of this property.

The Oakland Citizens' League raised the question of the deficit, and what could be done to reduce spending. No person "resent" offered a solution for the problem. Upon, of course, suggested general reform of county government, from his remarks, it was apparent that such a solution would take years to effect.

S. V. Norwood, of Bloomfield Hills, a member of the Board of Directors, reported his visit to Monticello, N. Y., last summer, where he observed Citizenship Day on which 21-year-olds celebrate their affluence with considerable ceremony. A similar celebration is under consideration for all or part of Oakland County.

An article reviewing Dr. Upson's talk will be found on Page 10 of Part 6.

THIS AND THAT  
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that toothpaste and similar items that are advertised, constitute only a fraction of all the articles manufactured and sold in this country. My only suggestion to groups that engage people like Mr. Smith on their programs is to have him on debates; then the audience may get both sides of the case. For Mr. Smith's Utopian State, in my opinion, will never come until capital and labor and civic rights are secured under the banner of Socialism or Communism—a State, however "lovely in academic vision," is completely un-American in form and action.

THE VALUE OF A SMILE  
It costs nothing, but creates much. It enriches those who receive, without impoverishing those who give. It happens in a flash, yet the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. None are so rich they can get along without it, and none so poor but are richer for it. It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in a business and is the counterstrain of friends. It is rest to the weary daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet, it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen... for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody 'till it is given away.

And if someone should be too tired to give you a smile, don't mind... give them one of yours in return. For nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give! —Frank Irving Fletcher.

A negro preacher walked into a newspaper office and said: "Mistah Edith, dey is forty-three in my congregation which subscribes to 'v' papah. Dey that entitle me to hab' church notice in yo' Sat'day issue?" "Sit down and write it out," invited the editor.

And this is the notice the parson wrote: "Mount Memorial Baptist Church. The Rev. John Walker, pastor, preaching morning and evening. For the promotion of the Gospel. Three books is necessary. The Bible, the hymn-book and the pocketbook. Come tomorrow and bring ALL THREE."

Nature Adds to Hazards Faced by Flyers in War

WARNINGS from Germany that aerial warfare is only beginning, that the few bombing assaults on English ports and the few German attacks on the coast of what is to come.

Ever since 1918, civilian observers have been predicting that devastation from the air would be the nucleus of the second World War. Military leaders, for the most part, refrained from drawing definite conclusions from the results of practice bombing sessions.

Aerial attacks on Chinese, Spanish and Polish villages failed to put the bomber to its real test. In none of these were there batteries of anti-aircraft guns to ward off the assault. There were no squadrons of pursuit planes to drive the bombers before them.

Conquering a well-defended nation by air attacks alone would be no easy task. Nature as well as man is often the enemy of the lone, high-flying bomber seeking a nest in which to lay its explosive eggs.

THE crew of a British plane over Berlin found this to be flying so high they were forced to use oxygen, the British aviators encountered temperatures. Their hands and feet almost froze and dreaded ice began to form on the wings. They had to dive.

As the plane descended into warmer atmosphere the ice melted off and the crew's hands and feet warmed up. But anti-aircraft fire peppered the now visible bomber and only luck permitted its escape.

Static electricity in charged clouds may transfer to the bomber as it flies through the night, bathing it in a weird violet light. In such circumstances, every movement of the plane's wings creates sparks, and crackling sounds.

Because knowledge of weather conditions is important to the timing of attacks, all warring countries have kept their weather data secret so every plane must choose its ideal times for bombing raids.

MAN, too, has his defenses. Modern anti-aircraft instruments that calculate the range, drift of projectile and speed of target make the task of hitting a speeding plane two miles away simpler than it seems. Shells fired into the sky burst into hundreds of fragments, any of which might hit a vital spot on a plane.

There is also the flaming onion. This is a fiery ball shot into the sky along a plane's presumed course, intended to set it afire. This weapon is a carry-over from the last war.

War load of the bombers may be any of four types: stream-lined, fin-tailed projectiles. Demolition bombs are the biggest, and the most destructive. These weigh up to two tons and carry a load of TNT, used because it is safer than alto-glycerin to handle.

Fragmentation bombs are similar, only they have thinner casings that break into small pieces and shower troops with missiles. Incendiary bombs, small enough so hundreds can be carried, break through roofs and scatter their flaming contents into buildings.

Most deadly are the chemical bombs, the ones that have been so largely publicized as capable of wiping out entire cities. Gas has been used but little in modern aerial warfare. Whether it will be used in this war or is being saved for a master stroke of world demolition remains to be seen.

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This will be the fourth public appearance of the choir this year. It has participated at the Pierce School Fair and has since before the local Exchange and Rotary clubs at the Community House.

The singing Monday night will be divided into three groups. The first group of four will be sung by the Pierce School Choir. These include "To the We Sing," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," a Negro spiritual, "Shepherds in the Bush of Night" and "O Holy Night."

The next group consisting of three songs will be sung by the Girls' Glee Club. These songs are "Wonderous Night," "Carol of the Russian Children," and "Carol of the Shepherds."

The final group of five songs will again see the A Cappella choir in action. These are "Today There is Ringing," "Joyous Christmas Song," "Lo, What a Branch of Beauty," "Lullaby of Christmas Eve" and will conclude the program with "Silent Night, Holy Night" in this song, Herbert Finnington and Gloria Gruber will sing a duet.

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LANSING—Effective in Michigan is a new statute which strives more to untangle the age-old problem of land.

It recalls the her-day of greenly speculation of land in the Detroit metropolitan area during the boom years of 1924, 1925 and 1926 when wave of excessive and poorly controlled subdividing swept over the city and its environs, leaving in its wake a trail of tax delinquencies and overdeveloped realty.

It reveals a shameful neglect and indifference by state and local government in intelligent planning and conservation.

It reviews the recurring cycle of human ambition and disillusionment, success and failure, happiness and heartache.

Here is a subject so commonplace that it is almost prosaic. Yet there probably is no one other thing in Michigan which affects so many people. Consider then for a few minutes this paramount problem of land and how our state government is trying to solve it.

The New Land Plan.  
Confronted with the cold fact that 1928 advertising of delinquent land in Michigan had disclosed the existence in tax default of approximately 1,500,000 acres in northern Michigan and the Upper Peninsula and literally millions of dollars in undeveloped residential and business lots in the Detroit metropolitan area, the 1929 state legislature arrived at this solution:

(1) Tax delinquent land north of the south line of Avenue, Midland, Isabella, Mecosta, Newaygo and Oceana counties would go to the state conservation department for disposal through its land division. Thus, suitable forest land (and unsuitable agricultural land) could be added to the state forests.

You Old Rake, You  
For sixty-seven years Mr. Featherston of Charleston, S. C., had been gentleman enough to maintain that he had never yet seen an ugly woman. One who was extremely flat-nosed, said: "Sir, I defy you not to find me ugly."

"You, madame," he replied, with a polite bow, "are an angel fallen from heaven; only you have fallen on your nose."

Mrs. Teakbible — Did you change the table napkins as I told you?  
New Maid — Yes'm. I shuffled 'em and dealt 'em out so's no one gets the same one he had at breakfast.

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Young southwester to her client: "I see by your hand that you will marry?"  
"Wonderful!" said the girl. "You are engaged to a man named Louis Smith," continued the southwester.

"That's really uncanny!" gasped the girl. "Can you discover that name in the lines of my hand?"  
"Lines," cried the southwester. "Who said anything about lines? You are wearing the ring that I gave back to the fellow three weeks ago."

"Atta Spirit"  
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The ARNOLD STUDIOS  
Birmingham

Send New Panda To American Zoo  
Headed for a Chicago zoo is Li Tung-shan, possibly the last Giant Panda the Chinese government will be allowed to export to the United States. The Teddy Bear-like animal is shown in Shanghai garden with Ray Scott, American cameraman.

GAME  
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do with any unfriendly feeling between Birmingham and Mount Clemens students," Bechtold said. "Two years ago, there was a brief and unofficial 'rumput' about roughness, charged to Mount Clemens, but in 1938, the game played here was hard and clean, Bechtold declared."

"We want to play Cranbrook because a natural rivalry exists," Bechtold said. "But I don't intend to play Cranbrook, Mount Clemens and Royal Oak along with our game in the Twin Valley League."

Coach George J. Wurster has been negotiating the matter. Nothing is definite as yet.