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Thanksgiving Thoughts

The people of this great nation have much to be thankful for. Blessed with immense wealth, as compared to other peoples and enjoying the benefits that come from vast natural resources...

While the United States and its people have suffered material losses in the last decade, our comeback is assured because of the unbounded resources that nature has made available to us...

Every individual who acknowledges a Supreme Being, must recognize the blessings that come to him, or her, in the course of a year...

Here's a modern economic paradox: Michigan has a State Land Board whose responsibility is to liquidate, under the Scavenger Tax Sale Act...

Now, folks, whom do you think the State Land Office Board elected to handle the improved properties in these three counties?

These three men are all from the southern end of Oakland County, and their names are Arthur Bassett, now in charge of the Detroit Trust Company's real estate department...

Has the Wagner Act and its offspring, the National Labor Relations Board, reduced the number of strikes in the United States?

EUROPE'S WAR has made so many headlines in American newspapers of late that many of our domestic issues are relegated to the inside pages of newspapers, or not printed at all...

NO MATTER HOW MUCH MONEY the taxpayers expend upon an educational plant in a community, the most essential element of good education is good instruction and able administration...

Laughing is good for people. It takes their minds off trouble; if the laugh is large enough, it also helps to enlarge the stomach. Ha! Ha! Senator McCullum - Ha! Ha! heart and reduce the stomach...

Senator McCullum, you know, poses as a "tax expert." Well, if thinking up clever devices to get more taxes from the people makes one a tax expert, then the Ann Arbor lawyer no doubt rates at least an "A-minus" for his talents.

But when it comes to putting sound taxation policies on the statutes, we don't think so highly of the representative of Upper Peninsula land interests.

We'll never forget how Senator McCullum, last winter in tax hearings before the Senate Tax Committee that he chaired, refused to accept the pleadings of representatives of villages, cities, and school districts to amend the Scavenger Tax Sale Act...

So, when we pick up the Free Press occasionally and see where its Lansing correspondent, James M. Haswell, has written a column or two about Senator McCullum's plans to save his stomach-reducing laughs...

Talk about increasing the State sales tax from three to four cents on the dollar came out from Don't Increase Lansing last week. That would not please the people of Michigan...

The defeat of the old-age pension plan in Ohio and California should be gratifying to many citizens who are intensely interested in the welfare of the old age group in the United States.

The proposed beneficiaries of the schemes which have been defeated should not feel that they have been denied an income which their State could afford. The fact is, according to much expert opinion, extremely doubtful...

No one should lose sight of the fact that the United States Government, in cooperation with the states, has set up the machinery to protect the individuals are receiving aid under our present Social Security laws.

The family of Donald Grant Herring, Princeton University football player, who suffered the loss of a leg after an injury received in a game, expressed the hope that the accident will not result in a foolish outcry against football play.

Naturally, anyone familiar with the incident will regret that a young American has lost a limb in an athletic contest. However, this is hardly sufficient to condemn football, which, with all of its excesses, has become a national institution.

The automobiles of the United States kill more than 100 individuals every day. No one seriously proposes, as a result, to prohibit the use of automobiles in the United States.

THE MILLS OF THE GODS grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly fine. It is an old truth that applies to Al Capone, the gangster just released from a federal prison after seven years of confinement for income tax evasion.

PERHAPS IT MIGHT BE SAID that too many modern "statemen" are quite willing to lay down your life for their country.

A GIFT WITH EVERY PURCHASE



Michigan Mirror

NON-PARTISAN STATE NEWS LETTER

LANSING—Barring the possibility of peace before Christmas, sales expectancies of merchants for the coming 90 days are now 10 to 12 per cent higher than for the same period last year.

One national retail authority is quoted by the New York Times as figuring that the adjusted retail index of the Federal Reserve Board would close the year at close to 100, which would compare with 92 in September and 89 in December one year ago.

Oddly enough, while European peace would undoubtedly benefit the United States in the long run and save it from serious trade displacements, that inevitably must follow a disastrous loss of conflict, an immediate armistice would have a tending to stop present speculation due to expected war orders.

He sums it in one paragraph: "The fur trade left no mark upon the Ontario country. Its servants were sojourners, not settlers. The beaver vanished, and the Indian vanished. But it has always been so with the Ontario country. Those who took its great wealth of fur, gave it nothing of return; those who were made rich to pay for it, those who profited by the exploitation of its enormous resources, dwelt and invested their profits elsewhere."

Before the Declaration of Independence had been signed, mining of copper had started in the Lake Superior country.

Alexander Henry, a traveler, visited the Ontario country in 1765 and saw his first copper. He said that the copper business was founded which in 1771 the mining of copper was begun by Henry, and an industry was founded which in Civil War years brought tremendous prosperity to this northern frontier.

Just as fur profits went into Astor's realty investments in New York City, mining profits went east to Boston. As the war ended the copper bubble burst; scores of mining camps were abandoned; half the houses in the northern Michigan towns were deserted.

Next came the era of the pine, following the granting of public lands by the government to companies that undertook the building of railroads and canals.

For example, the St. Mary's Shoberg and Company, which "Soo" was financed by capitalists on the basis of extensive land grants.

The construction job is completed," relates Author Jamison, "the company of capitalists present on the war left the lands are issued, signed by the President of the United States, and the lands, perhaps we should call it speculation, in western lands was a notable capitalist enterprise of the time."

Thus the best pine lands passed into hands of exploiters. The land was stripped of its timber to meet the needs of booming Middle West. In Michigan it is estimated that twelve and fifteen million acres were invested of timber resources. They became

Knocking on Wood!

with JOHN H. HARWOOD

Progressive State Police An active soldier published by the Michigan State Police has reached our desk, urging business men to stop check forgery by asking for a thumb print on the check when cashing it for an unknown person.

Two Hitches We have watched policemen and sheriffs deputes at work for a number of years, and have come to the conclusion that the biggest impediments to more effective police work are (1) lack of training and (2) politics.

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Advertisement for 'Promises and pie crusts are made to be broken' featuring a list of names and dates, including George Rogers Clark, 19-George Rogers Clark, born 1732, and others.