

Navy Seeks Recruits Following New Order

Following President Roosevelt's decision last week to increase the size of Navy personnel, the Recruiting Station in Detroit has announced that it is ready for action.

The new policy does not lower the high standards which are required for entrance, but does expedite enlistments, Lieut. Commander E. I. McQuiston, recruiting officer, declared. The age limit is increased from 18 to 31 years instead of the previous maximum age of 25 years for first enlistments, as in the past. In other years, there has been waiting lists for young men wanting to join the navy.

Chance to Improve
"He was a failure as an architect, so he went on the stage."
"Is he drawing better houses?"

Coat Stolen From Car

Bloomfield Hills police department notified local officers Saturday night that a coat belonging to a Birmingham girl had been stolen while her car was parked at the Hills. Owner of the coat is Betty McCormick, 815 Bates street.

No Lack of Merit Implicated

An editor was dining out, "Would you like some more pudding?" his hostess asked.
"No, thank you," replied the editor, absent-mindedly. "Owing to tremendous pressure on space I am reluctantly compelled to decline."

Give Her Some Catnip

Mrs. Gabb—"So your husband objects to cats."
Mrs. Stabb—"Yes, indeed. He says that I feed all the cats in the neighborhood. Won't you stay and have tea?"

LAW ENFORCEMENT ON GREAT LAKES



Michigan Patrol Boat No. 1, operated by the Michigan Department of Conservation, lifts a deep-water trap net set near the Lansing Shoal in northern Lake Michigan. The net was confiscated because it was set in water deeper than allowed by law and because the size of the mesh was smaller than permitted by law. The enforcing of regulations which control the operations of commercial fishermen in Michigan waters is an important duty of the Department.

S'mythology

By A. LAURENCE SMITH

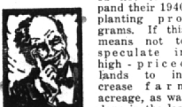
Peace Societies and War

"Economic distress is in itself a danger to peace," Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, Jan. 12, 1937.

Peace societies and conversation can never end war; the only possible solution is an intelligent approach to economic problems—and our own economic condition is far from a happy one.

"Kill the Little Pigs"

Another "kill the little pigs" program is being started; farmers are being warned not to expand their 1940 planting programs. If this means not to speculate in high-priced lands to increase farm acreage, as was done in the last war, its sound advice. But if it means not to speculate in high-priced lands to increase farm acreage, as was done in the last war, its sound advice.



Horse and Buggy Days

It's a pleasure to know that the old horse and buggy days are not entirely gone, as proved by the recent conviction in Pennsylvania of an 80-year-old horse thief. He admitted that he had been doing it all his life. "It's the way you are brought up," he said.

Honest Craft

The proposal for a bridge across the Straits of Mackinac is backed by two interests: those who hope to make a direct profit out of the building of the bridge; sales of materials, commissions on bonds, etc., and the Upper Peninsula people who hope to make a profit through land sales and land speculation. This is just the old racket known as "honest graft."

The Railroad Problem

Garet Garrett's story in the Saturday of Sept. 9 tells one of the reasons for the continuance of the depression. Having a monopoly the railroads find it easier to accede to union exactions (supported by friendly executives) than to resist. Theoretically the railroads can raise rates and recover these exactions from the public, but buses, motor trucks and the Interstate Commerce Commission are in the way. Exactions from the railroads and industry generally are forcing such high prices that purchasing power is greatly reduced, particularly in agriculture, and it is impossible to sell the products of industry. Unemployment naturally follows.

Peculiar Spare Parts

If a Rome-Berlin-Moscow-Tokyo axis is formed, it will be with a most peculiar assortment of spare parts, and difficult to weld together firmly and permanently.

Someone Always Pays

The Federal Government's food card plan to give relief, increase purchasing power and reduce surpluses, is just the second part of the ridiculous plan which will eventually make conditions worse instead of better. First, the various branches of government siphon and rob through taxation that part of the public which has income or property; thus reducing its purchasing power and self-supporting ability to the extent of from 20 to 25 per cent. After putting enough people down and out, the second step is to supply free or partially free food and rent, which will necessitate new and additional taxes, and an increase in the numbers of the down and out.

The Peaceful Irish

Eire is mobilizing to defend her neutrality. As usual, the Irish will have peace, even though they have to fight for it.

Fashion Note

Here is the last word in fashion notes, take it or leave it: The new hats are described as being "adorably idiotic." This leaves no room for a quarrel.

Raiding the Treasury

There is only one way to stop such alleged mis-use of the public treasury as reported from East Lansing, and that is to make land speculation impossible. But the important point in this case is not so much the loss of a few thousands of public money, as it is that educators whose first interest is in land speculation can't be expected to teach, nor to permit the teaching, of sound economics.

Two Grave Social Errors

One hostess certainly has red ears if she saw what Emily Post wrote about her for winning and taking the bridge prize in her own home! War ain't nothing like this. P. S. The guest who asked Emily about the incident hasn't added to her popularity.

Beating the Market

Careful Husband (with newspaper)—"I see that butter has gone up to one and sixpence."
P. S. The guest who asked Emily about the incident hasn't added to her popularity.

Omaha Oldster Cuts New Tooth



Second childhood for Frank J. Crawford of Omaha, Neb., came in form of new teeth on his 95th birthday. Convinced he is growing younger, Crawford now sports hair on head he claims was "as bald as a skating rink" a few years ago.

ALMANAC

- SEPTEMBER
- 10—Gen. Burnside occupied the city of Newport, 1863.
- 11—1,200 lives lost in hurricane in British Honduras, 1924.
- 12—The steamer "Central" America sunk, 1857.
- 13—Patent was issued to Goodwin for semitized film, 1898.
- 14—Benjamin Franklin was appointed minister to France, 1778.
- 15—The first war tanks were used by the British, 1916.
- 16—James I. Hill, American railroad builder, born, 1838.

THE ANSWERS

- (Questions on Page 5)
1. Yes; in 1926.
 2. In Geneva, Switzerland, in 1864.
 3. In 1924.
 4. Michigan.
 5. March, 1938.
 6. The title of Hitler's autobiography.
 7. More than one-third.
 8. Dixon's Inlet, 700 miles from the northern boundary of Washington.
 9. Woodrow Wilson, in 1924.
 10. About 25,000.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 24th day of August, A. D. 1939.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

Be the Matter of the Estate of Leon Ford Merritt, deceased.

Mary E. Merritt, Special Administratrix and General Administratrix of said estate having filed in said Court her First and Final Account as Special Administratrix and as General Administratrix and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof, determination of her said account, assignment of residue and said estate and discharge of said Special Administratrix and General Administratrix.

It is Further Ordered, that public notice of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, be and is hereby appointed for hearing and petition.

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ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy)

MAURICE J. FINNegan, Deputy Probate Registrar, HILLY HARBLEN Building, 155 BERRY & LEWIS, Union Trust Building, Detroit, Michigan.

I'll Leave It to You

The other day, while waiting for an elevator in a Detroit department store, I overheard one woman say to her companion, "Go ahead and buy it, if you want it. It looks as though we're going to war. You might as well have it and enjoy it while you can."

I know a woman whose son is supposed to go back to college for his last year. This week she said that she and her husband are wondering whether to send him back to finish up or not. It will mean a considerable sacrifice to the family if he does return—financially, I mean—and she puts it this way, "If we get into the war in the next few months, he will probably have to serve, and so what will be the difference whether he has finished his schooling or not?"

Everywhere decisions are being influenced by a feeling of certainty that we shall become involved in the war that is now raging in Europe. As I said last week, this attitude of helplessness and resignation, this pathetic acceptance of our involvement as an inevitability—if it persists and extends its influence—will do more to bring about a repetition of the tragedy inflicted upon us during the last great war than anything else.

People say, "If we're going to get mixed up in it, we're going to get mixed up in it, that's all. If our government decides to declare war, then war it shall be. Congress, not the people, has the power to declare war. So what can we do about it?"

While it is true, of course, that this power does rest with Congress, it is also true that before it can successfully take any action—including the declaration of war—Congress must be certain that a substantial majority of its constituents favors what it is considering doing. This is fundamentally true of all law-making agencies, but particularly does it apply to those in democracies. And when I say that a majority must favor war before those in power can get away with plunging the country headlong into it, I mean, of course, that they must have been "educated" by means of propaganda, to the point where they agree that war is the only way out. Just as they must be hoodwinked into believing that taxes and more taxes offer the only solution to wasteful administration.

If you really want this country to stay out of the war, then tell everyone you talk to that we're going to stay out. Keep your wits about you, dig your heels in, and take a firm stand against all the hokey that come out of Washington. The United States can stay out of European wars. Whether or not it does stay out, however, will depend on you and every other citizen.

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German troops drive deeper into Poland, capture important industrial cities, claim to have bottled part of opposing army in Polish corridor. Above, members of Danzig Heimwehr (Home Defense Corps) operate small grenade-thrower near German-Polish border.

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