

Alleman Disturbed by Future of Several Waterfalls in the U. P.

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Lansing—What is going to happen to the waterfalls of the Upper Peninsula? Here is a question that involves a controversial issue, and like everything else said and written by the pen, it isn't all one-sided by a long shot.

The two Tahquamenon Falls in Lapeer county are now under state ownership, having been transferred by the federal government to the state conservation department in a swap of timber land.

But many other scenic waterfalls in the Upper Peninsula are owned privately, and two of these—Victoria and Bond Falls in Ontonagon county—have been exploited for commercial purposes by private power interests.

Having just returned from a 1,200-mile trip into this fascinating country between Lake Superior and Lake Michigan, we have some first-hand impressions. You may be disturbed by them. We were.

Happenings of Long Ago

National Defense.
The Misses Simmonds and Bule, of Northville, will give an educational entertainment at the M. P. Church on Friday. Admission was 10c for adults and 5c for children.

An old brick blacksmith shop, on the Stanley corner, had been torn down, the site being taken over by one of the landmarks of Birmingham and had quite a history. It was shown the picture of the Michigan copper that was ever salvaged from the site. It was tried to be built up but was not and shortly after three barrels of copper ore was sent here and in the shop, Arden Smith, father of Mortimer Smith, discovered how to smelt copper.

El Brooks, of Denver, attended the Detroit G. A. R. and also paid a visit to their Eugene and family a visit.

The brick work on the new bank has been completed. A grand basket picnic was scheduled to take place at Orchard Lake Thursday, August 20, under the auspices of the patrons of Industry of Oakland county. Hon. Arden Smith, president of the Detroit G. A. R., was to deliver an address. There was to be a picnic and dancing for all wishing to take part.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Casey visited from Crystal Falls this week and had a royal good time.

Horse Race Rapid.
Land around the Michigan Falls has been secured by the power company. This utility has also bought land around the Horse Race Rapids, another scenic spot on the Paint river and some ten miles or more from Crystal Falls through a blueberry plain. A possible hydro-electric development is in the offing for this location.

You may recall having read about the Victoria Falls on the Ontonagon river which was controlled by the Michigan Copper Range Power company into a commercial hydro-electric plant. In order to assure a steady flow of water to the Victoria Dam, the site formerly an inland (subsidiary) has diverted water from a branch of the Ontonagon river through the Victoria dam.

A controversy ensued with the state conservation department simply because no one else has been interested enough to induce the state legislature to appropriate funds to acquire the waterfalls for perpetuity of all nature citizens.

What Should Be Done?
It is easy to express snap judgment and say that the power company is to blame.

Actually, if anyone is to be blamed at all, it is probably the indifferent and apathetic citizen who takes little interest in the aesthetic affairs of this kind. "If he can drive his automobile right to the falls and view it from the car then he will enthuse," observed a conservation official at Lansing. "But otherwise, it seems that the average man and woman doesn't care."

The fact remains that the waterfalls belong to private utilities simply because no one else has been interested enough to induce the state legislature to appropriate funds to acquire the waterfalls for perpetuity of all nature citizens.

\$3,000 a Park a Year.
The conservation department is well, figure it out for yourself.

The department has 56 parks to maintain and administer. Its annual budget is \$400,000. Just about \$3,000 per park per year.

The department also administers the upkeep of some 4,000 acres of forest land in Michigan.

Obviously with \$3,000 to spend on each of its 56 parks in Michigan, the conservation department is barely able to maintain the improvement and provide occasional grounds. Unlike other states, Michigan does not charge for its parks, and there is little likelihood that this precedent will be changed by the legislature.

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Social Briefs

MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR J. BRANDT, JR. (Oletha Jane Crawford) returned Monday to their home in St. Louis, after a strenuous week-end of visiting their respective families and many friends.

MR. AND MRS. LEIGH LYNCH, JR. who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Lynch, of Fairport, are leaving this evening for their home in New York City.

MRS. GRAHAM JOHN

Mary Lindquist Moving Office Back
Mary Lindquist, graduate nurse, is moving her office back to the Birmingham Theatre building from her present location at Walnut Lake. Her new offices will open on Sept. 15.

THE JAMES H. WINBORNS (Lola Mendenhall) have bought a new house on Sheridan in Newbury Hills, and moved in last week.

MRS. FRAZER McDONALD (Lola Mendenhall) will be spending the month of August in Santa Barbara, Calif., visiting Mrs. Wallace West.

Love and Kisses
He always gets the stamps in your letters, but I know that your lips have been together. Show—You're wrong there. It's always wet.

People's Column
The Electrician is pleased to receive communications from the community. All communications will be clipped and published in this column. Letters may be sent to the office by carrying your name and address to the following:

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Stewing Beef	1 lb.	11c
Beef Roast	1 lb.	29c
Beef Liver	Shoulder	29c
Beef Hearts	1 lb.	13c
Bacon Squares	1 lb.	16c
Ham Shank Half	1 lb.	30c
Ham Shank Half	1 lb.	34c
Bologna	Large	19c
Salami	1 lb.	28c
Sausage	1 lb.	24c
Ham	New York	19c
Ham	Sliced	23c
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Thuringer	Sliced	16c
Beef	Cooked Sliced	33c
Picnics	2 1/2 Lb. Avg.	23c

FISH

POLE STAR	Headed	18c
JUMBO SIZE SHRIMP		33c
Fresh Flounders	1 lb.	9c
Fresh Mackerel	1 lb.	9c
Fresh Whitefish	1 lb.	25c
Frog Legs	Large	55c

STANDARD PACK PEAS

Tomatoes	4 Cans	29c
Peas	2 Cans	23c
Peas	2 Cans	23c
Beans	3 Cans	23c
Potatoes	3 Cans	23c
Beans	3 Cans	23c
Beans	2 Cans	27c
Potato Salad	1 Can	9c

CORN FLAKES

Wheaties	8 Oz. Pkg.	5c
Variety Pack	10 Cans	10c
Shredded	10 Cans	13c
Puffs	10 Cans	5c
Wheat Flakes	10 Cans	7c
Rice	10 Cans	7c
Navy Beans	3 Cans	10c
Yukon Root Beer	2 Cans	10c

BEVERAGES

Orange Juice	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c
Apple Juice	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c
Tomato Juice	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c
Yam-Aid	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c
Instant-Aid	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c
Beverages	2 1/2 Oz. Cans	19c

COCKTAIL

Orange Juice	10 Cans	30c
Apple Juice	10 Cans	30c
Tomato Juice	10 Cans	30c
Yam-Aid	10 Cans	30c
Instant-Aid	10 Cans	30c
Beverages	10 Cans	30c

FRUITS

Pineapple	Whole	10c
Pineapple	1/2	23c
Grapefruit	1/2	23c
Apple Sauce	3 Cans	23c
Bonbonberries	1 Can	15c
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Pears	2 Cans	19c
Paaches	2 Cans	27c

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