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or, would you give five rs to bury a saxophone play "Here's thirty dollars; bur

People's Column

"Orchida To Birmingham

HOWARD C. HOLAH, Mgr., Birmingham Thes

By G. R. A.

Crusades and identified myself with a movement to bring a bout Constitutional representation in the Michigan Legislature, a provision that has been neglected by that body for many years. I have been subjected to some friendly criticism by several of my out-State editor friends, criticism by several of my out-State editor friends, these chaps, of course, live in sureas, for the most part, that are over-terpresented in the Legislature; re-apportionments for some of them would mean fewer Legislatus is from eperiain rural districts; it would also mean more representatives from the populous areas of Michigan.

As an illustration of the one-sudedness of the present situation, consider this fact: Oakland County, his a population (1940 federal cressus of 251466), and has two representatives on Wichigan bounty with a population of 47,000 has two representatives, while 41sh and County, with 234,005 people, has only two: one counts with 18,150 people has one prepresentative, shill Macumb county, with 195,031 people thas but one.

107,031 people has but one.

If the citizons of Michigan uncluding newspaper editors profess to be devoted and loval to the perfecibles of representative government in this State and nation, how can they overflook the inequalities now existing in Michigan? From the standpoint of fairness of devotion to these "principles, we know that our critical do recognize the equities; but, human matter being what it is, we recognize that outstands and the state of the personality, and oppose any change simply bicause it is "the practical thing to the state of the state

practical thing is do."

Nevertheless, she movement for resupportionment is under way, and will result in presenting to the voters next fall a Constitutional Amendment to cover the situation: this Amendment will take away from the Legislature the right and the inhigation to reapportion, visitigs it in the Secretary of State. A Legislature cannot be taken into ourle in action to make at perform a legal queessity; an individual calculations are the change.

Most of the bouleState critics of the re-apportionment blan object to Detroit's part in the future Lagislatures they argue; "De-troit sends a poor calibre of representatives, own who should see in rural areas allow the Legislature to have any more medicare poor-ple in it? Detroit should beliam up its own backward before trying to cleanes State gay, to etiment."

instead of at large, as now is done.

As a sample of outstate editorial comment, let me re-print ab editorial of last week in the Clinton Commy, Republican-News, at St. Johns: Schuydel L. Marshall, its editor and publisher, is one of Michigan's most aggressive, fair-mindes, and able newspaperment yet, upon the subject of re-apportionment, he wanders far from Constitutional government principles. His busst recent comment was appropriate My Friend, George, R. Averill, the Crusader, "and here is what he wrote: "For lo, these many very weak we have been

The Cusader, and here is what he wrote:

"For lo, these many years we have been hearing periodic squasks out of the south-eastern part of the state about their lack of proper representation in the legislative halls at Lausing. Detait and envirous have grown far faster than ilss upstate. The constitution provides that periodically there shall be a reapportionment of the representation in the legislature.

"Most of us, pretending to be law-abiding citizens, should becognize that provision.

for the same or case.

"If we upstage fulls assume a modifiedholier than their attitude means the accalled metropoligan area of Mechigan, we
may have some justification. If our representatives in the legislature refuse, or renveniently forgest to order the reapportunment which would result in more members
from that corner of the State—their reductance may be incepted by their experience
with colleagues who came from that area.

"None of we unstaters are too proud of our in representatives, but all things consid-None of we upstaters are too proud of or own representatives, but all things consi-tred, they have furnished most of the sa-und sane Jeadership Michigan has enjoyed not all of it, huttimost of it.

not all of it, humans to it.

"Now my editor friend, George R, Averill, from, Birmingham (near Detroit) is heading up a society to worrect this matter and get more metropolition members in the legislature—and, by the same token, frewer members from the rutal section upstate. We can't figure out George Averill. He is homest and honorable and it militant advocate of good government. He fulviously wants more of the legislature to copie from his section of the State. Maybe George has been on the sheft a little too long—flassic had a good excuss lately to buckle on his shining armor and wave his trusty stord in the interest of downtrodden something-or-other.

"All right, George." Go to nterested. But remember, that tart one of your tirades al n government, this last crus o plague you."

Press, is

A good, and is very able Michigan man passed on A Fine Man. Michigan man passed on to the next stage of leterant life last week. His name was O. L. Smith, and he lived in Dearborn, from where for many wars he communed to Detroft to landle his law practice. Now may remember him best as a Republicast candidate for Governor, a year ago, But to much of his adult life he wise connected was the public service, as Procedure of Carlot Commy, later as an assistant Atterney-thread for Michigan.

talleged in his endeavors to maintain french clinds, editor of this newspaper has known from the purple in the publics service of are: that not one of them was more date; but not one of the particle of the particl

when tre la Smith passed on.

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Adjust experts are almost manimose in the lessed that Russian losses have been heaver than those of Copinary but on thing can be said of Statin, bis promises Adolf a fight to like finish, with some revidence of confidence than it will be Lermany's finish.

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Story and Strik, K., S. The synty Henry Mousenthan recognity interest this holy and Uoya in thought: "My own feeling k that we should guaranted to every ions, woman and elibb the right to have emotify milks and buttle, emough fruit and vepetables, emough milk and buttle, emough from the special strikes, emough of guideline foods fail alk kinds, so that every-oursean be fit to do his part in the world of tomar low. (Franch swirds, Sir'l Berlings komedeyal annalle. A good start in that threeting, however, should be imade right softmit, the kinds States. The federal government, by more resonancial operation, can lend great assignment in the resultzation of the Seprelary's design.)

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