

None of us wish to be projected into situations that are intolerable to each of us. It is our duty to improve our lot in life. And from some lovely valley each of us sees, and each, the mountain top, if we work!

Michigan Bell Proceeds with New Exchange and PA

By G. R. A.

'Fast Action to Prevent Forest Fires

One of the many important tasks assigned to Michigan's Dept. of Conservation is that of the prevention and control of forest fires. The department has specially designated men to handle that problem. Monday morning of last week my telephone rang in the Executive Office at Lansing, and my secretary said: "Mr. Hoffmaster, director of the Conservation Dept., wishes to speak with you." Within a few minutes I was informed of the spread of forest fires into the two Peninsulas of our State, and of the Department's request that the Governor issue a proclamation, of indefinite time, preventing people from building camp fires or smoking within the public lands of Michigan. I asked Mr. Hoffmaster: "Have you the Proclamation written, with land descriptions included, and can you send your deputy over with the date right away?" He replied in the affirmative. So I briefed Gov. Sigo on the situation at once and, within an hour of the telephone conversation with Hoffmaster, the proclamation was on the radio and in newspapers—that's how rapidly things come when an emergency arises in the State government. When the rains come, you may expect the Governor to rescind the order that bans camp fires and smoking in the woods.

Rural Service Inadequate

In its meeting for the establishment of the exchange, Michigan Bell proposed urban classes of services for the entire zone, rural service no longer being served by a community dial office, the center to serve being made from a line by line basis beginning around the first of January.

Michigan's Big Problem

If you don't believe that the State of Michigan is lax in its housing and treatment of mentally ill people, you would if you were able to visit one or more of Michigan's institutions. One day last week I accompanied the State and others to Ionia, where the State has operated an asylum for the criminal insane since 1892. On that day there were 1,052 inmates, 86 of them women. They come from two sources; first, from the courts, when found guilty of a crime and at the same time adjudged insane; second, the remainder from the Southern Prison of Michigan, and the Marquette Prison. They become mentally ill following incarceration for a period of time. While the Ionia institution is clean, there is over-crowding of the inmates, which poses a problem to Dr. Robertson, superintendent, who has been there since 1912. The women are kept in a separate building, and the men are required to walk through the men's dining room to get to their sleeping quarters. This is considered a moral problem. Gov. Sigo has asked that a personal investigation of the State's mental hospitals, and is making a study of the need for expansion of the physical phases of the various institutions, as well as increasing the number of attendants. Most citizens are unaware of the fact that Michigan has approximately 32,000 men, women, and children in its mental hospitals; they are the unfortunate members of our part, who have reached their respective states of mental unbalance in the past three decades. (See THIS & THAT, Page 2)

Community Council Selects Topic for Evening Institute

"Economic aspects of world peace" is the theme designated for the January 23 evening institute meeting of the Community Council. The economic theme was selected at the Monday meeting of the executive board of the Council. The speaker will be announced later along with the names of participants in a panel discussion which will follow an afternoon talk by some local known speaker.

Other Topics Suggested

Mental hygiene and strengthening family ties were other suggested topics to which the public is invited. Both the lunch meeting and executive board meeting of the Council were presided over by Dr. E. A. Kelley, president of the Council. Delegates from the 40 organizations which are members of the Community Council helped to select the institute topic at a lunch meeting held October 21 at the Community House. All delegates indicated their preference for "Economic Aspects of World Peace." About 75 percent of the delegates indicated world peace problems as their first choice. The next largest group, about 16 percent, indicated city planning as first preference.

"One on a Bun Coming Up!"

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Halloween Party Details:

The stage is all set for the appearance of the ghosts and goblins of Birmingham's streets tomorrow evening, for the city's 13th annual community Halloween celebration. The affair will get under way at 7:15 with a parade, and there's no promise of never a dull moment from then until the weary high school senior stops dancing, at midnight.

Parade Forms

The stations from which the various groups will start are: Adams school on Chester, facing Merrill from the south; Barnum school on Martin, facing Chester from the east; Holy Name School on Martin, facing Chester from the west; Pierce school on the west side of Franklin, facing the west; Quenton school on the north; Vaughn, Franklin, Walnut Lake and Bloomfield schools on the east side of Chester, facing Martin from the north.

Maple Linemen Halt Two Scoring Drives As Birmingham Defeats East Detroit, 18-0

By Gerry Hughes

"Birthday greetings, coach!" And what could be a better birthday present for the Maple's new gridiron general Vincent Secot than to see his team cast aside the shackles of defeat by pulverizing East Detroit, 18-0, in the Shamrocks' field last Friday?

Halt Shamrock Drive

With eight yards remaining in the first half, East Detroit called time out as the Maple forward wall faced the grim task of holding ground in the Shamrock's field. Its breach, Maroon linemen Clay Joyce, Dick Groves and Dale Pearson crashed in to stop the Shamrocks' onslaught.

Final Plans Made for Dedication of Howarth Park

Formal dedication ceremony for Howarth Memorial Park will be held next Wednesday afternoon when Rotary Club members will dedicate a plaque commemorating the park to the memory of the late John S. Howarth, retired local businessman and former secretary of the Birmingham Rotary Club.

Answer to Financial Tangle on Special Assessments Sought

By George Wm. Averill

Seek Change in Sidewalk Provisions

An amendment to the city charter to provide for the construction of sidewalks on side streets on the same basis as permanent street improvements, will be placed before the citizens of Birmingham at next April's city election, city commissioners directed Monday evening.

Commission to Place Charter Amendment on April Ballot

Donald C. Egbert, city manager, and Forbes S. Haswell, city attorney, have been instructed to work out details of the amendment. Commissioners explained they had decided on this course because the present burden of sidewalk construction on side streets falls entirely on the abutting property owner while he does not receive all the benefits from the walk's construction.

Good Response to Drive Is Reported

Harry D. Hoey, area chairman for the current drive of the Metropolitan Detroit Community Chest, this week announced that his committee were making satisfactory headway in their campaign of drive in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area.

Commission Makes Investigation of Charter Violation

City Commissioners have investigated the city charter violation admitted at the October 5 meeting by City Manager Donald C. Egbert, and have satisfied themselves that the situation will not repeat itself.

City, County Act to Prevent Flooding

To prevent surface water from filling sewers and then backing up into basements in the area of Derby and Monnier roads, the city commission Monday evening instructed City Manager Donald C. Egbert to spend about \$200 for grading to the construction of a drainage ditch to carry excess water to the east and into Troy.

Schools Outside Limits Won't Get Fire Aid From City

City commissioners Monday night reaffirmed their policy that fire protection outside the city limits unless there was a threatened loss of life.

That's a \$1,175 Smile Kate Has

Kate Kelley smiles appreciatively as she tunes in her \$1,175 radio-phonograph.

Irland Announces Selection of Aide

Norman A. Wolfe, superintendent of Redford Union school district, has been named as the new principal of the Birmingham school system on December 1, Dr. Dendrumingham, superintendent, revealed this week.

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