

attractions of your region, assure them that "this is the only place in the United States which does not have among its scenic beauties a

single Lovers' Leap." Just how many of these places there are is unknown. But start anywhere in the East and drive West and you'll find plenty of them. There's one between Little Falls and Danube, N. Y .. a rocky hill overlooking the Erie canal and the Mohawk river. Visit Starved Rock park between Ottawa and La salle, Ill., and you will be shown a rocky projection "from which an Illini warrior and his sweatheart leaped to death in the river, rather than deliver themselves into the hands of their enemies." Visit Independence, Iowa, and they will tell you that Cedar rock, near Quasqueton, is also called "Lovers' Leap" where "the Indian lovers, Wapsie and Pinicon, from whom the Wapsipinicon got its name, are supposed to have plunged to their deaths in the swirling waters of the river." And out in Oakdale, Calif., they will sell you a post card picture of "Lover's Leap on the road between Oakdale and Knights Ferry where a mythical Indian maiden committed suicide by leaping into the river."

While nearly every township or county can boast of at least one Lovers' Leap, Mackinac island in northern Michigan has the distinction of having two places where love's young dream found a tragic ending. The guide books will tell you of "Lover's Leap-This lone pinnacle rises to a height of 145 feet above the waters of Lake Michigan about a mile west of the main part of the city. The legend which gives it its name is that in the long ago the beautiful Lotah, an Indian maiden of the Oibway tribe and only daughter of a famous chief named Wawanosh, watched from this height the departure of her lover, named Geniwegwon, with a war expedition across the water; and to the rock she came day after day to await his coming. At last, the party returning without him, brought word of his death and the distracted maiden not caring for life any longer leaped from this cliff; the lifeless body was found by her father at the foot of the precipice the evening after."

Then there is Robertson's Folly, where "'Tis told that a young and beautiful Indian girl was wooed and won by this dashing young Lieutenant Robertson, but the poor maiden soon learned that he was to depart for the East at an early date to marry a white girl. He granted her a last farewell meeting at this their trysting place. and in a desperate struggle she suceeded in precipitating him and hersalf over the cliff."

But if you want the story of a Lovers' Leap with a wealth of detail, go to Linn Creek, Mo., where there has been handed down from pioneer days this tale of Lovers' Leap above the clear waters of the Niangua river before it flows into the murky Osage:

"A century ago the mighty Osage and Shawnee tribes dwelt along these streams. They were fighting enemies, and bones of big-framed giants, war clubs of stone, rusted arrow-heads of crudely fashioned metal and other | count is historical;"

signs of struggle have been found for years by plowboys as they turned over the rich alluvial soil along the river bottoms.

"Grey Eagle was then a medicine man of the Shawnees; his daughter was Laughing Water. A young warrior of the Osage tribe came up the racing waters of the Niangua in his canoe on a pleasant day, and stopped before the birch bark tepee of Grey Eagle. The head of the young warrior flaunted his eagle feathers; a deerskin shirt and leggings, and buckskin moccasins encased the form of this young giant. Tails of wild animals hung from a wampum belt and a bow and arrow swung across his broad shoulders. These intimate details have been carefully preserved in connection with the world-old story of 'love at first sight.'

"Laughing Water rose gracefully to welcome him, but she reckoned without her haughty father, to whom the sight of an Osage was poison ivy. But none the less, Laughing Water had a mind of her own, as daughters of a tribal chieftain should have, and she encouraged the shots from the love arrow of the Osage warrior.

"Day by day the young couple roamed the forest or floated on the silvery waters of the Niangua, Laughing Water sang like birds in tree tops, or laughed till the forest rang with melody as her lover related his stories of wonderful adventure. Then as now, lovers it would seem were prone to spread a glamour around their

"The Osage warrior came to friendly terms with the Shawnee braves, as their bitter jealousies vanished before evidences of his skill as a fisherman and hunter and prowess as a warrior. They took him into their council, but old Grey Eagle would not mix medicine potions that would enable him to become a son-in-law.

"Courtship of this pair lasted during the summer, and every means of winning the father's consent proved unavailing. Laughing Water was urged to flee the tribal domain and become one of the Osage people. But her Shawnee blood would not permit, so the young couple decided since they could not live together they would die together. Thus united in the land of the great silence their love would be unhindered by the wishes of a medicine chief

"Face to face and hand to hand the Indian lovers plighted their everlasting troth, sought a high bluff on the river beneath which the waters formed a great swirling eddy, cast themselves far into the channel and no trace of them was ever discovered."

A similar detailed account of another Lover's Leap, which bears the more prosaic name of Jump mountain, was told in a recent issue of the Lexington (Va.) Gazette, prefaced with this editor's note: "The following article has been contributed by a friend who is satisfied that the ac-

# ommunity Building

#### Progressive City Sees

to Its Attractiveness While much emphasis is being placed-and rightly-on the advantages that Indianapolis possesses as a commercial and industrial center. which are many and obvious, not enough thought or effort is directed to making it attractive as a place of residence. The men who work here have to live here, and therefore the town must be a good deal more than a workshop.

While we have a fine start, there is much that might and should be done to increase the advantages that we already possess. We are richly endowed with churches, schools, libraries and art facilities, all of which make a strong appeal to those seeking new homes. We have our clubs, municipal playgrounds, golf courses and swimming pools and parks, and these are very important assets.

Valuable as they are, other things are needed. People like to live in comfort and amid beautiful surroundings. A campaign for the beautification of the city would yield rich returns. There should be greater care for our trees and a planting of new ones, even in streets supposed to be doomed to treelessness-certain of our business streets, for instance.

The campaign against the smoke evil will, just as far as it succeeds, contribute to both beauty and comfort -contribute very largely. For cleanness is an element in both. Dinginess is certainly not attractive. Nor is it sanitary. Beauty, cleanliness and comfortable living conditions are all the marks of a wideawake and progressive community.-Indianapolis News.

#### Rural Schools Urged to Beautify the Grounds

The Missouri state highway department urges each rural school on a state highway to beautify its school grounds with proper plantings and landscaping, and offers the services of a landscape expert to the schools for the preparation of suitable plans for planting flowers, trees and shrubbery, according to letters sent by the department to all county school superintendents in the St. Joseph highway division.

This move is a part of the highway beautification project started by the state highway department last year.

hunting ground of the Cherokee tribe.

While out on a hunt on one oc-

casion, the Cherokees ventured in

what is now known as the little Calf

Pasture, to which their neighbors, the

Shawnees across the mountain, claimed

an exclusive privilege. They were or-

dered off, and refusing to go, a fight

ensued, which ended in a discomfiture

of the Shawnees, who proceeded at

once to collect and assemble their

"After several fights the Cherokees

were finally driven through what is

now known as Goshen Pass, and con-

tinued the fight around the base of

the mountain only to be renewed in

a more sanguinary form on the high-

the last and final conflict. The

Shawnee warriors had concentrated-

the onset was made-the war-whoop

was sounded, and a defiant shout

rang back as a welcome. The arrows

whizzed as so many winged messen-

gers of death, and the tomahawk

whirling through the air, doing its

work of blood, was accompanied with

a yell of exultation which noted an-

"Amidst the scene of carnage and

death, far above the noise of battle.

its savage yells and its death shouts.

a wild shrick was heard, and an ap-

parition, with streaming hair and out-

stretched arms, was seen flying

through the air from the mountain

summit, only to disappear mysterious-

ly at its base. This strange and super-

natural sight was witnessed by the

warriors below. They were awe-

struck. Their superstition was

aroused. The fight ceased. A coun-

cil was called. The calumet was

smoked. The tomahawk was buried.

A peace was concluded. Both parties

believing that the Great Spirit was

angry, and had hid his face under a

cloud. From enemies they became

friends, and as a pledge of future

reconciliation, collected and buried

their braves in one common mound.

near the junction of Walker's and

"The incident which had caused a

cessation of hostilities was as tragic

as singular. The Cherokees, aware

that the fight would be a severe one.

had sent all their squaws and pap-

poose some distance to the rear, ex-

cept a pretty Indian maiden, whose in-

terest in a young chief had induced

her to climb a mountain acclivity

nearby, from which she could witness

the stirring scenes below In the hot-

test of the fight, beholding her chief.

whose warwhoop was as well known

to her as his warlock, fall by the hand

of a fierce Shawnee, in a moment of

despairing love, with one wild shriek.

leaped from the mountain top into the

abyss below, following her favorite

chief to better hunting grounds. From

this incident the mountain obtained

the name of Jump. The Indian

mound almost level with the ground.

is well remembered by some old

persons in the vicinity when it

was 30 or 40 feet high, showing the

mortuary list on that occasion of the

Cherokees and Shawnees to have been

(2) by Western Newspaper Union.,

large."

Hay's creeks.

"There the Cherokees organized for

braves for another trial at arms.

lands of Walker's Creek.

other brave had fallen.

George L. Argus, engineer at the St. Joseph highway office, points out that porthwest Missouri's wooded countryside abounds in native shrubs and plants that are unequaled for landscaping purposes, and they may be transplanted to the school grounds. and if a landscaping program is followed, surprising results at little cost can be obtained. Other desirable plants and flowers may be brought from home by the pupils,-Kansas City Star.

# Modern Traffic Needs

The smalle, cities of the country, even the small towns, need major street plans and other comprehensive plans as badly as the big metropolitan areas. Everywhere the increased use of the automobile, demand for traffic relief, for airports, parks and new and enlarged business centers is requiring enormous changes, particularly in the widening of streets laid out for a horse-drawn era.

Regional planning activity in the United States has materially increased, particularly in and about Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Washington. Many new county planning commissions have been established.

# Scenery or Signery?

California is waging an intensive campaign against signboards that disfigure the landscape. There is a reason. Landscape is large in California's stock in trade for tourists.

So the slogan of the warfare on the boards is "Scenery or Signery?" And it seems to be an effective one. Public opinion is operating to compel elimination of obnoxious disfigurements to beauty. It is this force that has impelled two big companies, along with others, to cut out all their rondside displays except one or two of directional value to drivers.

"Scenery or Signery?" It is an allinclusive suggestion. - Minneapolis Journal.

# Remodeling Old Homes

Veneering an old house with face brick has been made a simple process. The contractor merely changes a few old-fashioned bays, etc., on the exterior and lays up the brick right over the old frame. Many builders are offering to finance the remodeling Job, letting the owner pay a small amount down and the rest on convenient terms.

# Brick Combines Well

Common brick meets all architectural demands for surface effects and type. It may be used in the best homes in combination with slate or tile roofs, copper and zinc gutters and down spouts, metal casements and sash, exposed oak timbers and plate glass!

# Two-Way Roads

Business follows good roads; in fact it will open its cut-out and follow right on to the next town if you don't put your own town in order.-Coun-



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to Guide Air Traveler Using a highway bridge as an airway marker, is one of the latest developments in this fast-moving transportation age.

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In laying the brick, the contractor started at the north end of the bridge using all dark brick, and later light brick for the marking were inserted. The surplus dark brick were then used at the south end. Asphalt was used as filler for the dark brick, while the markers were filled with a lean grout filler.

The letters are 29 feet and three inches high, and the name Napoleon is 340 feet in length. The width of the letters run four feet and three inches, thereby insuring easy visibility for the traveler in the air .-Boston Herald.

#### Concertina's Centenary

The concertina celebrated its centenary last year. It was invented and patented by Charles-afterward Sir Charles-Wheatstone in 1829. He must have been a wonderful man, for his inventions seem to have been legion. Sir Charles invented for example, the stereoscope, by which the appearance of solidity is obtained through the mental combination of FLOREST two pictures, and the polar clock, which made it possible to tell the time by the light from the sky although the sun might be invisible. It was he who made the electric telegraph available for the public transmission of messages. And in between his scientific studies he sandwiched the invention of our little musical friend the concerting.

# No Bobbed-Hair Singers

The village of Bremnes near Haugesund on the west coast of Norway scored a record when the church authorities recently refused to permit women with cropped hair to sing in the church's choir. "Cropping and undulation are an abomination," says the leader of the church, and though the parish belongs to the state and the bishop has declared that the local council has no right to censure other people's personal tastes in such matters as hair dressing. the unique ruling has not been repealed so far.

# Latest in Airplanes

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# Speeches

"Do you think that a man's political influence depends on his ability as a public speaker?" "Not altogether," answered Sena-

tor Sorghum, "I have found that the speeches which sometimes counted for most were made in strictest privacy."

Advance Worrying

Bride-I feel sad, sort of. Groom-What's troubling you.

weetheart? Bride (wistfully)-Dear, would you get married again if I divorced you?

#### No Corner to Brighten Evangelist-Young man, you should

-Life.

brighten the corner where you are. Railroad Man-But I work in a roundhouse .- Border Cities Star.

Death by Electrocution

In general, it may be said that the length of time required to electrocute an average healthy person is about



