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THE PEOPLE NOT ASKING CHANGES.

It is reported that a move will be made by Congress to bring about the calling of a constitutional convention to undertake a general overhauling of the nation's organic law.

FLIRTING WITH NON-ESSENTIALS.

Muscle Shoals! How many years has that name been batted around in Congress.

Boulder Dam! The newest foothold of public utility advocates.

Just as the war time nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals has been used as a lever to try to force the government into the electric power business, so will the need for a flood control dam on the Colorado River be used for the same purpose.

President Coolidge favors building a dam for flood control, a legitimate function of government. But if the proposition is kicked back and forth in Congress as long as Muscle Shoals, an attempt to tack on power development, the Colorado can overflow many times before protection is given.

COUNTRY WANTS SOUND PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER.

Presidential elections used to be accompanied by business disturbances that sometimes reached the catastrophic stage.

The next president will be safe, dependable man who can carry on a program of business-like economy in government and who will keep government a controllable, dependable machine instead of a hare-brained political madhouse, always ready to sacrifice national prosperity for political expediency.

THE COMING OF THE AIRPLANE.

Just as the airplane business is being developed, just as were the railroads and automobiles, it takes pioneering, courage and faith in the project.

Twenty years ago the conservative individual would not ride in an automobile. Today he won't ride in an airplane. But the fact remains that automobiles are as common today as bath tubs.

Most people do not realize that well established air lines are handling mail, passengers and express over the whole nation. They operate on schedule up and down the Pacific coast, in the Rocky Mountain States, through to Chicago and all over the East.

THE WRONG WAY TO REDUCE ACCIDENTS.

Compulsory automobile liability insurance in New York State is proposed and will also hear some talk of it in Pennsylvania.

The reason for the move is said to be the congestion in New York courts which results from increasing litigation over automobile accidents on public highways.

Justice Dowling said that on January 1, 1927, there were 30,000 cases on the Supreme Court calendar in New York county, 10,000 in the Bronx, 20,000 in the City court calendar and 200,000 pending in the municipal courts, and that fully 70 per cent of the calendars of all these courts consisted of negligent cases.

This solid, immovable block of negligence cases is there in the way of every other class of cases that comes before the supreme court. The judge then suggests as a remedy compulsory insurance for all automobile owners, administered by a commission.

WHY NOT UNIFORM ACCOUNTING FOR CRIMINALS?

Establishment of criminal statistics bureaus in every state of the union, is recommended by the National Crime Commission.

Based upon the findings of an investigating committee headed by former Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, the report states that America has more crime than any other civilized nation and has the world's worst criminal statistics.

to the Federal Census Bureau in tabulation of criminal data.

In civil affairs such as operating railroads, public utilities and national banks, the law requires uniform reports of the most intricate character and private companies have to furnish these reports to state and federal governments so that public officials can check them in the smallest detail.

In public affairs and police court records, why can not the same uniformity and thoroughness be applied? Why should the criminal be encouraged in carrying on his work due to lack of public information regarding his crimes? Why not keep as accurate a check upon criminals as we do on honest and legitimate business?

Why blame the war, the modern jazz age, bootleg liquor, the movies, revolvers or our large cities for the "crime profession"? Instead of warring on the criminal, let us have, the more lenient, there are for him to crawl through and evade punishment. Uniform laws, uniform penalties and uniform enforcement would get results.

WILDFIRE ENTHUSIASM OVER NEW CHEVROLET CAR SHOWN

Many Major Improvements Made on New Models, Four Wheel Brakes, and A Reduction in Prices.

Wildfire enthusiasm throughout the country last week when the new Chevrolet line for 1928 went on display took particular account of the many mechanical innovations embodied in the new car.

Thousands who viewed the new model noted that the wheelbase was increased and bodies made roomier and more beautiful, also that the mechanical features had been developed to a measure heretofore unknown in the low price class.

Outstanding developments in the engine and chassis that received widespread endorsement were the increased speed and power of the new car, easier steering, four wheel brakes of new design, shock absorber springs, marking an advanced trend toward riding comfort and smoother engine performance.

The last mentioned feature was achieved by the use of constant clearance alloy "invar strut" pistons which make for smoother, more efficient motor performance. Further contributions toward this end were made by raising the compression ratio and by stepping up the valve lifts. Through these changes maximum power is developed.

Other changes in the engine are the addition of a breathing system to eliminate the annoyance engine fumes, a new two port exhaust, and a silencing cage enclosure.

The four wheel brakes are of non locking design—the product of Chevrolet laboratories plus the facilities of General Motors laboratories and proving grounds. Front brakes are two shoe unassisted internals, while the rear brakes are the energized external, self wrapping type. Front and rear brakes have been properly adjusted to prevent side drag or pull. Each brake has an individual adjustment at the wheels, while "setups" have been applied to make the adjustment process especially easy. Easy initial pedal application throws the front brakes into action. Further application throws the rear brakes into full play, so that it is possible to slide the rear wheels on dry pavement by using full pressure but not the front wheels.

The effect of this, according to Chevrolet engineers is to get uniform wear on the brake linings.

The springs also are of extraordinary interest. Realizing that all uncomfortable spring action is the result of rebound and that rebound is caused by the rebound checkers, which are inverted bow shaped leaves assembled under high pressure against the top of the spring leaf, the rebound checkers are now attached to the leaf, increasing the resistance.

So much has the spring friction been increased by this new device that the rebound is said to ride 50 per cent better than with old type springs. The rebound checkers also offer greater resistance to bumps.

Greater ease of steering was made possible by adopting a ball bearing worm and gear steering mechanism, including ball bearings in the steering knuckles, and by increasing the steering ratio from 3.5 to 4.5. The four inch increase in shock absorber capacity greatly to the riding quality of the car, with less pitching and better road holding ability.

The front axle has been enlarged and strengthened to accommodate the new brake attachment. A fan shroud has been added for more efficient cooling, and a host of other details combined to make the Chevrolet for 1928 the best performing, most efficient and dependable mechanical unit ever built by the company.

BIG ACREAGE IN NATIONAL WOODS

Grange, Lumber and State Lumbermen Endorse Proposed Bond Issue.

National forest holdings in Pennsylvania, purchased or under contract, now total more than 200,000 acres according to the Council of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association.

The Allegheny National Forest on the headwaters of the Allegheny River, contains approximately 280,000 acres which have been purchased or approved for purchase.

This Federal Preserve, designed to protect the waters of the Allegheny watershed is in Warren, McKean, Forest and Elk counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Good of Woodlawn are spending a few days here with friends and relatives.

Clarence Crisman of Sheffield was a recent caller here.

Miss Violet Glass of Akron, Ohio, who had been spending her vacation here with her parents, has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kuhn and son, Vay of Altoona, were recent callers here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stratton of Altoona have returned to their home after a brief visit here.

C. C. Shope of Sheffield who spent the last week here with relatives has returned to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hill and son, Eugene of Altoona spent the last few days here with friends and relatives.

After a short visit here Ivan Glass has returned to his home in Philadelphia after a visit here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Senelberger of Akron, Ohio, are the guests of relatives here.

Miss Blanche Bollinger, a teacher in the Akron, Ohio, schools, spent the holidays here.

Mrs. Harry Foreman of Curwensville, spent the week end here with her parents.

V. K. Gallagher was a recent visitor in Blandburg.

The Misses Verla Bollinger, and Joyce Esch of Indiana, who had been here with their parents for the last week, have returned to that place.

Charles McKee suffered painful injuries recently when he was run down by an automobile.

Robert Stratton of Pittsburgh is the guest of relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Joseph DeLozier and children of Glasgow spent the last few days here with relatives and friends.

Miss Mary Green of Conport has concluded a visit in Patton with relatives and friends.

"HURRY" APPEARS TO BE FEATURE WITH ALL OF US

But It Is Not Conducive to Good Health Says Dr. Appel of State Health Department.

"Hurry appears to be one of the major interests of civilization," said Dr. Theodore B. Appel, Secretary of Health, in a lecture given here last night.

Dr. Appel said that the modern man does a job properly are no longer the first and only considerations. In addition everyone must see how quickly he can arrive at his destination.

And while this driving force of speed is largely responsible for many of today's great inventions, it is almost certain that time is not to be had in any quantity than before. Indeed, quite on the contrary, the more time that is left for leisure, the less leisurely man's life becomes. It is one of nature's little tricks and paradoxes.

The whole thing would be a huge joke were it not for the fact that a "joker" is concealed within it. And it is this joker that interests the public health official.

The "joker" is heart trouble. Honey Hozer was a visitor in Cherry-tree last Monday.

There are many students of the high school who are taking advantage of the frozen ponds around this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cresson are spending a few days in Patton with relatives and friends.

Let me tell you a story. Once upon a time there was a newspaper which told the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. It was not consolidated with another newspaper.

You Have Seen The Rest- Now Wait For The New WHIPPET at Amazingly Low Prices HALUSKA OVERLAND CO.

High School Notes Notes Gathered During the week by Russell Christoff

Here we are, back in school again. Our Christmas vacation seemed to go like lightning. It makes us feel a whole lot better, and now we can start the new year in the regular 1928 style.

Let's go! Quite a few of the graduates of the high school attended the banquet held in the gymnasium last week.

Some one told me that a few of the high school girls are wondering when it will be their turn to fix their hair.

When you feel a dryness of the throat, tightness of the chest, and a rasping cough, you have a condition that needs the relief afforded by

50c 7-ounce bottle. FOGERTY'S Patton, Pa. The Renall Store

FARMERS DEMAND EARLY OPERATION OF MUSCLE SHOALS NITRATE FERTILIZER PLANT By R. F. BOWER Member of President Coolidge's Muscle Shoals Inquiry

GET AWAY like an arrow from a bow Buick for 1928 gets away in traffic like an arrow from a bow! Watch the Buicks next time you drive downtown. See how easily they step out in front when the signal changes. And note how they give other cars the slip in the friendly rivalry of traffic.

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