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EDITORIAL

WHY WAIT TILL APRIL

Gloom so thick you can cut it with a knife. Losses. Illnesses. Mental breakdowns. Suicides. Everybody you meet has got a fresh batch to tell you about. Once in a while some one breaks through with a faint ray of hope. "I feel sure we shall find a turn for the better by April," this one says. Why wait? Magic isn't going to cure, not even the blessed magic of spring. The only thing that can lighten the situation is the power of the human mind. The same earth is under foot that the pioneers trod on. Its natural resources are still enormous. People of the same powers walk upon it. Everyone can find today some small thing to do to make life better for his neighbor or himself. He can stop talking gloom and begin to think and talk progress. Why not start today? Why waste time waiting for April?

PAY YOUR BILLS

Regardless of whether there is or is not a depression, it is important that everyone who owes a dollar to pay it, if possible. Too many are taking advantage of the good nature of the merchant and "standing him off." If you owe a bill and cannot pay it all this time, do the best you can, paying part. The man you owe will appreciate this. Most any merchant now will tell you that business is better than he expected, but collections are slow. No doubt about it—collections are slow, but they ought not to be and would not be if everyone would make the right kind of effort to pay. We can all help dispel this gloom of unpaid bills. Put yourself in the other fellow's place and then do your best. The merchant, or business man is not a beast of burden; he cannot carry everybody's troubles, financial or otherwise. Now is the time for you to do your duty in helping the situation.

BACK TO THE PEOPLE

Congress has thrust the prohibition question back into the laps of the states. Now the states must have convention to decide whether or not they will pass the 21st amendment which, in effect, replaces the 18th amendment and permits state control of liquor together with federal safeguards against importation of prohibited beverages into those states which remain dry. If the 18th amendment is repealed, it cannot be done in less than two years. For 36 states to ratify the resolution by conventions will take a long time. And 13 states can block it. The dries are expected to concentrate on the Southern states. At any rate Tennessee, Kentucky, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, Nebraska, Georgia, Utah, the Dakotas, the Carolinas, New Hampshire, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas are expected to be battlegrounds in that the dries will pour their broadsides at the wets and the wets will counter attack, realizing that it will be necessary to get at least four of these states. Any 13 can block the repeal measure.

THE ASSASSIN

The attempt on the life of Franklin D. Roosevelt is an instance of the threat daily faced by every high government official. The assassin strikes at government by attempting to kill the executive. He fails to realize that the head of the government is but an individual while government is a system that goes its way whatever may happen to those temporarily associated with it. It was undoubtedly such a distorted mind that urged Zangara to fire in a crowd at Miami and fire pointblank at Mr. Roosevelt. The country offers up a prayer of thanks that Mr. Roosevelt escaped. It is a matter of universal sorrow that bystanders were made victims. The world is in a turmoil. Life is cruel to untold millions. The force of circumstances is breeding depression. In the absence of reason and under stress of need violence may be expected; it may be looked for in high places. The president faces this constant danger, the penalty of the high place he occupies. Nor is there ought to be done, save to accord the greatest possible protection and trust in a higher power.

THE RAINBOW—NATURE'S MASTERPIECE

One of Nature's most beautiful and arresting phenomena is the rainbow, the colors are seen in the heavens opposite the sun when the light shines upon falling rain. The rainbow is formed by the raindrops which act like combination prisms and mirrors, first breaking the light

RHEEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Phares Heisey and daughter Doris, of Elizabethtown and David Eshenshade and granddaughter Ellen May of this place visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wagner of Philadelphia on Sunday.

Mr. Harry Hoover spent Sunday at Neffsville, visiting his aunt Katie Hollinger, who is an inmate at the Brethren Home.

Rev. Samuel Fry and Rev. Elias Kulp revisited in this vicinity on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Andrew Bard and son Russell, Mr. Raymond Heisey and son Martin, of this place and Myra Risser of Lawn, attended the inauguration at Washington on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Witmer and daughter Kathryn Arlene from Elizabethtown, called on Mr. and Mrs. Enos Floyd on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmar Hoover spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. David Miller and family of near Mount Joy.

Miss Helen Cope and Jean Kraybill spent Sunday at State College.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zeager and daughter Emma spent Saturday afternoon in Lancaster.

Mrs. Roy Heisey has returned to her home after spending two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Herbert Andrews and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Shank called on the latter's parents in Manheim, on Sunday evening.

Quite a few from this vicinity attended the revival services at the Menonite church in Elizabethtown on Sunday evening. These services will continue throughout the week.

MAYTOWN

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Reformed church will meet at the home of Mrs. Sue Wolfe, Thursday evening, at 7:30 P. M. The following persons attended the inauguration of President Roosevelt on Saturday: Mrs. Bard Buller, Misses Helen Sload, Bertha Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frank and son, Jackie; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shireman, Elmer Strickler, Ion Terry, Samuel Engle, Mervin Brandt.

Mrs. Dick Duffy and Miss Harriet Miller, of Marietta, spent Wednesday with their aunt, Mrs. Henry B. Haines.

Miss Miriam Haines spent several days at Millersville with her grandmother, Mrs. Keady.

Mrs. C. C. Hicks and M. Ethel Culp spent Saturday morning at Lancaster.

Miss Anna Culp, of Lancaster, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Isaac Carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Haverstick and daughter, Anna spent Saturday afternoon at Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Haines and sons, Henry and John Edward; Miss Betty Mumma visited Mrs. Keady at Millersville on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfe, of Marietta, visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Carpenter on Sunday.

STATE BONUS WILL GO BEFORE VOTERS

Payment of bonus to Pennsylvania veterans depends upon the adoption of a proposed amendment to the State Constitution by the voters at the 1933 November election. If a majority favor the change the State may be bonded to the extent of fifty millions for the payment of compensation. Inquiries addressed to Department of State by former service men indicate many are under the impression that the low providing for payments to veterans may be passed at the present session of the General Assembly, and they ask what steps must be taken to obtain the money.

If the amendment is adopted this year its provisions cannot become operative until the regular session of 1935, unless a special session is called for that purpose.

The proposed amendment does not make absolute provision for the payment to veterans. It only authorizes the legislature to pass the laws providing for the bond issue. The amount of payments and other details must be worked out by the Legislature.

Fish Laws

Summaries of laws relating to fishing in the inland waters of Pennsylvania have been printed preparatory to sending them to all county treasurers, the Fish Commission announced. The summary, briefly outlining open seasons for fish, definitions of fish, and regulations governing the taking of fish is furnished with each fishing license.

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up into its various colors and then reflecting it down to earth, according to an educational booklet of the Better Vision Institute which is used by teachers in many sections of the United States in eyesight conservation instruction. A falling drop first reflects red when a line between it and an observer makes an angle of about forty-two degrees with the horizontal; when it falls a little further so that the angle is less, it reflects orange to the observer, then green and so on. Although we see only an arc, unless we are on a high mountain or in an airplane, the rainbow is really a complete circle. During the summer, the rainbow is never visible around noon, for the sun is too high in the sky and the top of the bow is below the horizon.

This is the most familiar example of the spectrum. Small drops of water such as dew-drops often show light broken up into its component colors, and a frosted glass may also show a partial spectrum.

Wrong Ideas of Looks

as Index to Character

Contrasting blonds and brunettes. Prof. Otis W. Caldwell and Gerhard E. Lundeen, of the Institute of School Experimentation at Columbia university, who had most of the plain and embroidered superstitions on the operating table for several months, clear away much of the fog about these matters in a report of their studies. They said:

"Being trustworthy does not depend upon a person's complexion. Individuals differ in traits of character regardless of complexion. An individual may develop the general trait of trustworthiness by forming the habit of being trustworthy in different situations, while brunetness and blondness is determined by heredity."

When individuals have a square jaw and a strong and determined will, it is merely coincidence, the investigators found, or a matter of chance.

"Any individual's honesty," the report says, "cannot safely be determined by the simple test of ability or lack of ability to look another person in the eye. Hardened criminals can look the world in the face in spite of their guilt, and many honest individuals may be unable to do so because of a nervous disposition or temperament."

The experimenters asked 918 high school seniors about the superstition of knocking on wood, when boasting of good luck, to keep the luck from changing. Of the total number questioned, 91.6 per cent had heard of the superstition, 20 per cent believed it was true, 40 either practiced it or were influenced by it in some other way.

Inventors Baffled by Dish-Washing Problems

If husbands wipe the dishes, maybe they will get busy and invent some way of keeping house without dishes. It is the men who have designed all the devices in the kitchen, from the cook stove to the electric refrigerator. Man's watchful eye is always investigating ideas for his "incessant" contriving.

But somehow his giant intellect stands nonplussed before the problem of washing dishes. A problem that has been the most vexatious to the feminine soul from the very beginning. The scullery has always been the hated department of household tasks. It rides the household work to this day. A machine for washing dishes has been provided by man's cunning, but it must consume lots of dishes to be worth while in the family menage; and woman's sense of beauty forever bars the pasteboard substitute that can be burned after using.—F. H. Collier in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Forest Influence Strong

The life and prosperity of the tribes of equatorial Africa are inseparably bound up with the splendid forests which are the ancient heritage of their people. Lofty and dense, these forests have for countless centuries afforded shelter, food and fuel to the wandering inhabitants of these vast tracts of country. It is difficult for dwellers in western civilization to realize the tremendous influence of the primeval forests of Africa upon the lives of those peoples, who, from time immemorial, have dwelt beneath their shade. The very soul of the forest has entered into their folk songs and legends, and deep within their primal hearts is a feeling of awe and devotion for its vast solitudes and ever-changing tropical beauties.

When in need of Printing, (anything) kindly remember the Bulletin.

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HISTORICAL

Sunday, March 5 Howard Pyle, artist, was born in 1853. Boston Massacre 1770.

Monday, March 6 Ring Lardner, humorist, was born 1885. Massacre at the Alamo 1836.

Tuesday, March 7 Ben A. Williams, author, was born 1889. Bell gets patent for telephone in 1876.

Wednesday, March 8 Judge O. W. Holmes was born in 1841. Stamp Act passed 1765.

Thursday, March 9 Monitor defeated Merrimack 1862. Isaac Hull, American Navy, was born 1775.

Friday, March 10 Dudley Buck, organist, was born 1839. Mexican treaty ratified 1845.

Saturday, March 11 Act to found Navy 1794. A. P. Gorman, statesman, was born 1839.

Land of Extremes

The highest known point in the United States, exclusive of Alaska, is the summit of Mount Whitney, in California, which is 14,996 feet above sea level, and the lowest known dry land in the United States is in Death valley, also in California, which is 278 feet below sea level.

In mid-June campers were driven away from the vicinity of Lake Tahoe by a cold storm which approached the severity of a blizzard. A few days later at least one of these parties encountered a temperature of 108 degrees at Bakersfield.

The same contrast is to be encountered in the California landscape. Great stretches of sun-scorched prairie land are seen on one hand, but turn around and you see beautiful palms and green gardens. The green country is where the land is irrigated.—Washington Star.

Bouillon Cubes

The Institute of American Meat Packers says that meat is not concentrated into bouillon cubes. Only a small part of the meat is soluble by the methods used in manufacturing extracts and bouillon cubes. The dilute extracts are evaporated and are finally sold in the paste or cube form. When made into cubes, there may be from 50 to 75 per cent salt in the cube. This is necessary since the extract itself is pasty and cannot be made dry. Liebig, who originated the extract, said that it took 34 pounds of meat to give one pound of extract. If all of the material in meat which is soluble in hot water were extracted and made into meat extract, it would take nearly thirty pounds of meat to give one pound of extract.

An Old Friend Back

The professor had left his berth in the sleeper to find a drink of ice water and was hopelessly lost in the middle of the aisle. It was about midnight. The train was speeding through the country.

"Don't you remember the number of your berth?" asked the porter. "Um—er—a—frail not," was the reply.

"Well, haven't you any idea where it was?" "Why, oh, yes, to be sure." The professor brightened. "I did notice at one time this afternoon the windows looked out upon a little lake."—Union Pacific Magazine.

Ferris Wheel Designed

to Rival Eiffel Tower

The Ferris wheel was named after its inventor, George W. G. Ferris (1859-1906), an American engineer and steel bridge builder, who was born at Galesburg, Ill. He organized an engineering firm at Pittsburgh where he lived after 1885. His imagination was fired when Daniel H. Burnham, chief of construction for the World's Columbian exposition in Chicago in 1883, challenged the civil engineers of America to design something novel and unusual to rival the Eiffel tower at the Paris exposition in 1889. Ferris conceived the idea of constructing a gigantic revolving wheel on which to carry people up into the air for amusement. His friends and business associates advised him against its construction. The country was in the midst of a business depression and financing the undertaking was a difficult task. Even those in charge of the exposition at first regarded the scheme as fantastical and waited several months before granting Ferris the concession. The fair had already opened when the Ferris wheel was completed. It was the chief attraction at the fair and proved to be a profitable investment. Engineers from all over the world admired the daring and accuracy in its design and the precision in its construction. The wheel was 250 feet in diameter, 825 in circumference and 30 in width. It carried 36 cars with a seating capacity of 40 passengers each.

Marvels of Memory

To retain a picture in the mind with every detail clear is the highly developed gift of some painters. Turner had it to a very high degree. He could examine a ship, and then go home and paint it with every rope and spar in the correct position, though he knew nothing of ships. Another painter, Caldeson, was robbed while traveling in Spain. He only caught a glimpse of the thief, but he drew such a perfect portrait of him, that the police were able to trace him by the drawn likeness.

Man's Weakness

A man who is so minded may resist many things. He can stop drinking and staying out nights. He may, as a matter of ethics and fairness, overcome the temptation to give himself the best of it.

To a considerable extent he can hold in check his disposition to give performances for the benefit of the ladies. He can break himself of the habit of talking about his children. But he always succumbs to the opportunity to give advice.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Reverence for Trees

Trees have always held an important place in the imagination of primitive man. This special regard for trees is not restricted to African races, but appears in the art and mythology of almost every nation. In the growth of a tree man saw a resemblance to his own life. Their age-long existence was to him a symbol of immortality. It is not surprising, therefore, that tree worship goes back to the earliest times, and one of the established traditions among the ancients was that of a World Tree.

More Arrests

More motor truck and motor bus operators were arrested for speeding by the State Highway Patrol in January than were arrested for the same violation in the first month of 1932. Truck operators arrested for this violation numbered 231 as compared with 94 in January, 1932. Speeding bus drivers arrested totaled 31 as contrasted with 28 in the first month of 1932.

Are You Ashamed Of Your Business?

IF NOT, WHY DON'T YOU ADVERTISE

HERE'S WHAT THE AMERICAN BANKERS DECLARE

"No business man in any town should allow a newspaper published in his town to go without his name and business being mentioned somewhere in its columns. The man who does not advertise his business does an injustice to himself and the town. The life of a town depends, upon the live wide-awake and liberal advertising business man."



Catch— Them Before They Climb . . .

PRICES today are below "sea-level", if we may be permitted to use the phrase as a simile for par.

They're actually "sub" prices in the sense that many commodities, and principally the necessities of life, are being sold below cost of production, or at least below the cost at which merchants, manufacturers and wage-earners can continue to produce them and maintain normal standards of living.

What, then, is the inevitable result? Prices must come "up for air" . . . national and individual prosperity demands it and the upturn is immediately in the offing.

Today's prices are depression prices. They can only be compared with prices during other periods of depression of past years . . . they cannot remain in this country any more than depression can continue in a country so basically prosperous in resources, in enterprise, in wealth, in commercial and industrial leadership.

These are conditions which will, and are already, adjusted themselves . . . by inevitable laws of economics.

We've reached the low . . . and at the low is the time to buy. With Food, Clothing, Furniture and almost everything else at the lowest prices in 15 years; with the purchasing power of your dollar greater today by 40% to 100% than at any time since the war surely it's time to stock up . . . even to buy beyond your immediate needs because unless you buy now, or very soon, you're surely going to pay more . . . when prices come "up for air."

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