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OUR KEYNOTE:

"If There is Not a Way, Cut a Way."

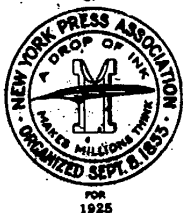
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Clean-Up Time

THE time for the annual clean-up has come around again. It has become the custom for city officials to proclaim a "clean-up week" and thus set an example for all of the people to follow.

This custom has its good points because it serves to focus attention on the necessity of individual pride in the appearance of residences and premises before the whole community can really accomplish anything on a wholesale scale.

But is a "clean-up week" enough? Would not a real campaign be more fruitful in desired results?

Why not make it a campaign this year and keep it up as long as may be necessary to do a real job? That's the first essential of a successful community effort in such work.

The second essential is the public commitment of the thing cleaned up to the new order of things. A "lick and a promise" all in a week will not keep Andover or any other community clean and wholesome-looking the year around.

It is impossible for public officials to co-ordinate their efforts within a six-day period. But public co-operation that can be enlisted in a real campaign is invaluable to them, and to the community, in the visible and lasting results obtained and in the sense of personal responsibility for continuous effort in this direction.

Perhaps some of these birth-control people can figure out a way to give us all the right to refuse to be born if we don't like the outlook.

Patriotic Americans

NOT all who wear little American flags in the lapel of their coats and take off their hats as the flag goes by, are loyal Americans.

Patriotism is something which must first be demonstrated in the human heart. It is not so much what a man does as what he actually thinks that marks him as a real or pseudo patriot.

When a man gets right in his own heart; when he feels a burning desire of appreciation of this wonderful land of freedom; when he convinces himself that this is the best country on earth, then he is ready for outward demonstration of patriotism and not before.

If you do not feel right in your heart toward America there is something wrong with either you or the country. If the country is wrong, you are living in the wrong spot, so why not move to some better place? If you are wrong the only sportsman like thing to do is to undergo a change of heart!

If you remain and accept the wide freedom of speech and of action which America offers, then act as any self-respecting guest would act and feel a sense of appreciation. If you cannot feel this sense of appreciation, then do exactly that which an honorable guest ought to do; namely, pack your grip and move on.

No one can play a traitorous part and retain his self-respect at the same time. You have a right to be here; you have a right to every privilege which America offers; you have a right to enjoy the wonderful opportunities to accumulate personal fortune which every American enjoys, providing, always, that you conduct yourself as a patriotic-American should.

Do not bite the hand that feeds you. If this country is giving you a good living and its laws are providing you with absolute freedom to go and come as you like, then the least you can possibly do in return is to feel kindly toward the country and respect its customs and its laws. This is all that is expected of those who enjoy the privileges which America offers.

A federal judge, having held that the pedestrian has the right of safe passage at regular crossings, the jay walker is still a legal waif.

Idle Forest Land

THERE are about eighty million acres of idle forest land in the United States that should be at work. Eight million acres of idle forest land comes into being every year thru man-caused forest fires.

It is plain where this would lead to without a fixed forestry policy that will build up our timber at least in small proportion to the rate at which it is being reduced.

This is the purpose of the annual observance of American Forest Week, which President Coolidge has proclaimed for April 27 to May 3.

Farmers especially should awake to the country's forest needs. One-third of all our forest lands is in the form of farm woodlots and small holdings. Farmers also are the greatest single class of wood-users.

Here in Andover the most casual observer has seen the way forest land has been cut over. Hundreds upon hundreds of trees are cut out annually and none is planted to take their place.

The problem of our diminishing forests will never be solved by state and federal agencies. It is one for every land owner to consider most seriously.

Good Lighting

POOR lighting may seriously impair the future of a child or may reduce the usefulness of older people. Yet it is a question that receives scant attention from the average person.

Lighting is given more consideration in large auditoriums and public buildings, and in industrial institutions, yet conditions are far from what they used to be, as a rule.

This is the testimony of the Eyesight Conservation Council of America, which adds that lighting conditions in the households and school rooms of the land are neglected to an extent that is harmful to the human race.

Glare is regarded as the most insidious cause of eyestrain, and it may be found present in the lighting arrangement of the majority of homes.

Excessive brightness, excessive volume of light and excessive contrast, are the three chief sources of glare. Excessive brightness is said to be the worst offender.

It would be a simple matter to overcome some of the evils of poor lighting, if those suffering from the consequences would take the time to determine the source of the trouble.

Methods of lighting the home to promote health and comfort, as well as to conserve the eyesight, are becoming vital factors of domestic science and modern housewives should not fail to keep in touch with developments in the art of lighting the home.

There is nothing sacred to the modern flapper. If she doesn't get an invitation to the dance, she asks him to take her.

An Apalling Tragedy

THE people of America were horrified when 51 miners lost their lives at Sullivan, Ind.

Their sympathy went out to the families of those who fell victims in the underground disaster, but that tragedy was slight compared to that which snuffed out the lives of more than eight hundred people.

The loss of life was appalling and the loss of property staggering. The savings of a lifetime were wiped out in a flash in hundreds of instances.

The hearts of the people all over the United States were touched and those who have the means were quick to open their purses for the unfortunate thousands who have been saddened by the loss of relatives and friends, and for the upbuilding of the communities that were devastated by wind and fire.

Such tragedies as these make more apparent the value of the Red Cross, which is organized for such emergencies and which has the confidence of the people. The Red Cross is receiving funds and administering relief as the agents of the American people, who never fail to respond at times of trial such as the present one.

Once upon a time there was a country boy who went to the city, got tired of the bright lights and returned home.

The Law's Failure

THERE are thousands of laws, but still one has been overlooked. It's lack permitted the licensing of a irresponsible man as a physician and the operation of a school, by means of which he conducted an illegal traffic in germs.

Charles C. Fairman, who admitted giving a tube of "vibrio bacilli" to William D. ... used in causing the fatal illness of William ... "millionaire orphan," is not a physician and has no legal right to pose as the head of the University of Science or use the letters, J.L. D., after his name.

It is unbelievable that a state who never attended a reputable medical school, never was licensed to practice in any state, and who is a guileless people. Those who patronize him have a right to expect that when they use an ... their name, they are fully qualified to practice medicine.

In most states, the licensing of physicians is on a high plane and is carefully guarded by a board of medical examiners.

What will some men do when they get to the place where there are no telephone operators to complain about?

Help Nature Along

THERE is no more appropriate time than the present to aid nature in her work of beautification.

Every good citizen will find some time and give some thought to the planting of trees, flowers and shrubs at this season of the year when nature is so kind and beneficent.

Just a little effort and care on the part of the people of Andover in the planting and cultivation of such ornaments and adornments will bring joy and satisfaction and will make this community a more attractive place to visitors.

It is unfair not alone to the present, but to the future as well, not to devote some money and effort to the beautifying of lawns.

We can make Andover so alluring that we want to leave it and that all who come within its borders will be captivated by its beauty and want to remain permanently.

Captain Kidd lived in too early an age to have been living in these times and sailing the main as a rum pirate. He could have been a trade unmoisted and with never a fee or prison.

The treasury department wants us to save dollars for the sake of economy. But what to what we will do, even for economy.

The way to get a thing done is to say it can't be done and then the right man will spit on his hands and do it.

A New York legislator would make hypocrisy a misdemeanor. What, does he want to make us build new jails?

The law of gravitation can't be seen, but you know it is operating when the brakes won't take hold on a steep hill.

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