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SCHOOL CHILDREN'S SAFETY

OPENING of schools in Indianapolis next week revives interest in efforts to safeguard children and to educate motorists, parents, teachers and pupils concerning their joint responsibility.

In addition to efforts being made by various local agencies, the Hoosier State Auto Association, through its safety department, has issued a special bulletin.

"If parents and teachers will seek to instruct their children in such a manner that the little ones will understand what it is all about, we believe much good can be accomplished," the auto association says. "At the same time a major responsibility rests with the driver of every motor vehicle in Indiana to use his wits—always keep them handy—and exercise sane and sensible precautions when near a school zone. As you love your own kiddies, don't be the cause of maiming or killing some one else's loved one."

The Hoosier association urges that parents and teachers clip these rules and use them for "texts" in the city and rural districts:

1. Don't play in the streets or on paved country roads.
2. Keep on the sidewalks or the edge of paved roads. Don't dart into the middle of street or road at any time.

3. On paved country roads it is safer to walk along the LEFT side of the roadway, because in such position the pedestrian is always facing on-coming traffic and easily may step farther to the left to let vehicles go by. This is safer for adults, too. Much safer at night for all concerned.

4. Don't ride bicycles at night without a light. Don't roller skate after dusk on streets or paved roads.

5. Don't hang on vehicles with roller skates, "bikes" or sleds. Don't climb on the side of a moving vehicle at any time.

6. Don't step off of a street car or interurban or a school hack without looking in both directions before starting across the street or road. Too much hurry means death.

7. If you get half way across a street or road and see moving vehicles coming from one or both directions, STAND STILL.

8. Children: Tell your mother or dad always to use arm signals in stopping or turning, whether in the city, town or country. The law requires this and defines how to give proper signals. Tell them it is a violation of law for a child under 16 years of age to drive a motor vehicle. Tell them they should never park or stop their car on a curve or near a hilltop, and that it is a violation of State law to stop or park on a paved road with all four wheels on the pavement.

9. Tell your parents it is a violation of State law to fail to stop behind a street car, interurban car or school hack that is stopped to take on or let off passengers. Tell "dad and mom," always to slow up to full control when they come to a "blind" road or street intersection. Scores have been killed in Indiana for failure to observe this common-sense precaution. Tell them that the State law gives the right-of-way to the driver approaching from the right-hand intersecting road.

10. Tell your parents that when they see children on the streets, sidewalks or alongside the country road they should immediately slow down to a moderate speed and be prepared to stop. They don't want you maimed or killed; they really don't WANT to kill or maim any other child. They WON'T IF THEY JUST THINK, THINK!

NOW, if you, and your parents and all of us, just will USE OUR WITS and keep our eyes open—the streets and highways of Indiana MAY BE MADE MUCH SAFER FOR US ALL!

TENSHUN! BOOTLEG CONSUMERS

WICE as many Americans were driven crazy by liquor last year as in 1921. This is claimed by numerous insanity authorities, including Dr. Horatio M. Pollock of New York State hospital commission.

It means that booze is steadily getting more poisonous, rather than that people are drinking more in spite of prohibition.

The old-time rum-hound who "saw snakes" had it easy compared with the victim of bootleg hooch. Dr. John A. Houston, head of a State hospital for the insane in Massachusetts, reports:

"The patients who now come to us after alcoholic drink have rendered them insane in a condition almost wholly different to that of patients whom we took in before prohibition."

"Our alcoholic insane today are in a much more confused mental condition and they are very sick physically. They do not have the hallucinations and fears which characterized the alcoholic insane in former days. But the most notable thing is their awful physical sickness."

"This is, of course, due to the poisonous drink which they have taken. They are in such a condition that they are really, at least for a time, a puzzle to the diagnostician."

There have always been a great many grades of liquor. Drunks in the old days knew that certain brands of whisky "packed more headache" than others. At the bottom of the list is bootleg, and that is why so many veteran drunks, knowing liquor and sampling the sort that circulates today, have gone on the water wagon.

Even when comparatively "pure," bootleg liquor at its best is green liquor. In saloon days every self-respecting bartender apologized if the whisky were less than seven years old.

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LABORITES IN BRITAIN FIGHT TAX

Demand Revision of Peace Treaties and General Disarmament.

By JOHN W. RAPER

THE Labor party is second in numbers in the House of Commons, with 137 members of the total membership of 615, not quite 23 per cent. (The number was 138 until a few days ago when one member announced his withdrawal from the party.)

Twenty-one of the members represent Scotch districts, eighteen are from Welsh districts and 19 are from English districts, most of them located in the great industrial section that includes Leeds, Sheffield, Manchester, Birmingham and Derby, and is generally referred to as the Midlands.

There is a great difference in the style of the labor declaration of principles and the style of the other three parties. The program of the Unionists was announced in a speech made by Bonar Law, the prime minister who retired recently on account of ill health while the National Liberal policy was outlined in a speech made by Lloyd George. Both are in the style of Republican and Democratic politicians in the United States, Lloyd George's speech especially being in the well known blab style of American politicians.

The Independent Liberals, led by Asquith, announced the party program through a manifesto issued from party headquarters instead of through a speech by the leader. More than two-thirds of this manifesto is devoted to denouncing the administration of the government, formed by Lloyd George and the Conservatives.

Little Denunciation

Labor's program, or, as we would say in the United States, labor's platform, was announced through a manifesto issued from party headquarters. This manifesto makes only slight reference to the other parties or the criticism of them, mentioning them briefly in two places.

All of the rest of the manifesto is constructive. It is made up of shorter paragraphs, twenty-five of which state definitely its position on twenty-five different questions.

It demands revision of the peace treaties as "the first step to peace." It demands reparations with Germany's capacity to pay; calls for an all-inclusive League of Nations with general disarmament as the goal; advocates real independence for Egypt and self-government for India.

Deals With Taxes

The manifesto declares against indirect taxation and opposes all imports, customs, excise or stamp duties. It favors reopening trade with foreign countries, the national or organization of production and a large program of construction in public works. It advocates a reduction of rents to help farmers and a board to enforce adequate wages for farm laborers.

Marvels

By BERTON BRALEY

Ulysses roamed about the world and saw, he said, a lot of it; but all the tales that he unfurled concerned a tiny spot of it. Today when travel's what we seek We take a car and ride about And cover more ground in a week Than Ulysses lied about.

Ulysses told convincingly Of monsters, gods, and goddesses; Yet wonders that we daily see Would fill a dozen Odysseys. The simple-minded Grecian folk, With never thought of censuring, Believed each word Ulysses spoke About his long adventuring.

Yet had he told of radio Which undulates through space to us? Or steam, or aeroplanes—which grow So quickly commonplace to us, The Greeks would probably have said.

"We can't believe these airy tales. The old man's crazy in the head, Or else he's telling fairy tales!"

In brief—a stranger world we view And travel far and wide about. Than that which old Ulysses knew, Or claimed he knew, and lied about! (Copyright, 1923, NEA Service, Inc.)

A Thought

The world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.—1 John 2:17.

LET no man be never so ungrateful or inhuman; he shall never destroy the satisfaction of having done a good office.—Seneca.

Royal

Touring America in an auto R. C. Bruce and wife of Los Angeles have covered 35,000 miles in thirteen months.

That's more ground than Alexander the Great was able to cover in his whole lifetime. And there wasn't as much to see in his day.

Mechanical invention enables the plain people of 1923 A. D. to see more of the earth and enjoy more real luxuries than the kings of long ago.

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THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

60M SIMS --- Says

After being single ninety-eight years Bluefield (W. Va.) girl got a hubby at last, thank goodness.

Mishawaka (Ind.) maiden sisters, ages 60 and 70, married same day. Live and hope, girls.

Boston man of 60 swam fourteen miles. We don't know if an old maid was after him or not.

Great news for horses. Italy has decided cavalry is useless.

Printers will hold their next convention in Canada, much to their wives' suspicions.

Bad news from boarders. Potatoes are plentiful this year.

Leather dealers hold their next meeting in Iowa. A ruling on restaurant steaks is expected.

Women are so touchy. Detroit one asks divorce just because he split a plank over her head.

It seems, only natural that the throne is slipping in Greece.

Seven Ohioans held a picnic up in a balloon, which is one way to keep things out of the lunch.

First frost reported in New York. That place claims everything.

Detroit robber was a college graduate, but they caught him.

Los Angeles girls wear men's trousers. Girls will be boys.

QUESTIONS

Ask—The Times

A N S W E R S

You can get an answer to any question of fact or information by writing to the Indianapolis Times, Washington Building, 123 W. Market Street, Indianapolis, Ind., D. C., including 2 cents in postage.

Medical, legal, love and marriage, domestic, news and other questions should be undertaken, or papers, speeches, etc., be prepared. Unsigned letters are welcome, but all letters are confidential, and receive personal replies.

Describe the Confederate monument which is to be made of Stone Mountain, near Atlanta, Ga.

Stone Mountain, sixteen miles from Atlanta, is an isolated mass of granite, seven miles in circumference and one mile in height. The cliff face is 300 feet high and 1,500 feet in breadth. Upon 700 feet of this space a moving army of Confederate soldiers is to be carved. Notable groups will be those of Davis, Lee, Wheeler, etc. Under the central group a great hall is to be excavated in the cliff with thirteen massive columns in its portico; twelve windows and a door decorated with the arms of Georgia. The auditorium will be almost limitless. The entire site is a gift from Samuel Hoyt Venable, the owner of the mountain, to the United Daughters of the Confederacy who are to dedicate this unrivaled monument "to their heroic fathers."

The sculptor instrumental in directing the work that is to transfer Stone Mountain into a Confederate Monument is Gutzon Borglum.

Why is the Dead Sea called dead?

Because it contains no life whatever except a few microbes. Sea fish placed in it soon die. The water contains at a depth of 1,000 feet 27 per cent of solid substances. Chloride of magnesium gives the water a bitter taste, chloride of calcium an oily appearance and feeling. There is no outlet to the sea.

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