

Agenda Drawn Up For County-Wide Schools Meeting

A preliminary steering committee met yesterday in the office of the county school superintendent to draw up a tentative agenda for a meeting of all Jackson county school board members to be held later this month.

Purpose of the larger meeting will be to study conditions affecting the various school districts and especially efficient school district organization and school financing.

To Aid Legislation

Information derived from the meeting of all school board members will be used by an interim committee, established by the House Joint Resolution 19, to aid it in drafting remedial legislation for presentation before the 49th legislative assembly.

Those present at yesterday's meeting were Alf B. Mekvold, county school superintendent; chairmen of the first class district boards; chairmen of the rural and non-high boards; and president of Jackson county rural school boards association.

Taste Puts Turtles In Kettle of Soup

Sebewaing, Mich.—(U.P.)—The fact that Michigan snapping turtles taste so much better than Florida cousins has literally put them in a fine kettle of soup.

A local restaurant owner and turtle soup connoisseur, Dan Shafer, said customers come from as far away as Ohio just to sample his turtle soup. He used nothing but Michigan snappers in preparing the dish.

"Our Michigan turtles weigh only from 12 to 18 pounds apiece," he said, "and the Florida ones usually average about 100 pounds."

Shafer said the Florida turtles have much darker meat and "have a muddy taste that is far inferior to the state of Michigan snappers."

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On The Side

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What men of medicine refer to as a common cold should have a more impressive name. The present designation tends to belittle the disabling powers of that irritating and extremely uncomfortable ailment. Then consider that it is acknowledged there is no cure for the common cold. It comes upon you and there is nothing much to be done but to grin and bear it for a period of at least seven days. There are preparations that can make it easier to bear but for an affliction so disparagingly referred to as the "common cold" it can be quite a trouble maker. As you may have guessed I have a "common cold."

Please Note

How many different brands of cigarettes does your favorite tobaccoist carry? There's a shop on the Avenue of the Americas in Manhattan that has regularly in stock 130 different brands of cigarettes. That's quite a stock. However, Geneva, Switzerland, that had in stock 415 different brands of cigarettes.

Just as Good

When I told the pharmacist I wanted another brand of aspirin than the one he offered me, he said: "Why pay more for the same thing? All aspirin is alike. This brand is just as good as any." I insisted on having my favorite brand. I don't know anything about the manufacture of aspirin tablets but I believe it might be possible for one firm to make a better product than another even if using the same ingredients. By the way, what product was it that used the slogan: "A parrot can say 'just as good' but it won't know what it is talking about."

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. Do you believe in lucky numbers? A. No, sir. However, many successful people do. For example, Gabrielle Chanel, the prosperous Parisienne, has always believed five is her lucky number. It certainly has been lucky for her. . . . Q. Have you ever met a man whose first name was Socrates? A. No, sir. But I know a dog named Socrates. He is one of the most popular dogs in his neighborhood. Everybody calls him "Sockey."

Reading

Seems to be considerable current dissatisfaction at the reading ability of youngsters. How old were you when you learned to read? I don't remember when I started. However, I recall when around 9 or 10 years old I was reading such classics as "Old King Brady," "The Opium Ring," "Frank Merriwell at Yale," "The James Boys in Missouri" and "Frank Reade, the Boy Inventor." After that I recall reading "Around the World in Eighty Days," by Jules Verne.

By E. V. Durling

"For the Honour of the School," by Ralph Henry Barbour and "Rodney Stone," by Conan Doyle. When I tackled some advanced reading, I began reading the Racing Form.

Vamps

A current satirical musical comedy titled, "The Vamp," deals with the "vampire" type actress of the silent film days. Of course, everybody has heard of Theda Bara. But how about some of the other "vamp" film specialists? The top three next to Theda were Valeska Suratt, Virginia Pearson and Louise Glaum. The last named was the original "Tiger Woman."

Changed Names

Note a young female has altered the name Shirley to Sherli. Well, I can stand that. I can even stand a change from Edith to Edythe. Or from Rose to Rosye. The change that really antagonizes me is when that grand old name of Mary is changed to Marye.

Passing By

Craig Claiborne. Food expert. Specializing in teaching women how to cook. Mr. Claiborne is said to be the country's leading authority on the preparation of cheese beignets.

Largest Aluminum Contract Awarded

Chicago—(U.P.)—The largest aluminum contract ever awarded for apartment building construction in the United States has been announced by developers who will build six glass and aluminum skyscrapers on the lakefront here.

Builders Herbert S. Greenwald and Samuel N. Katzin said the order was placed with the Reynolds Metals Co., of Louisville, Ky.

More than 1,400,000 pounds of aluminum will be used for exteriors in the first four towers to be built. The other two will be built at a later date.

Twin structures at one site will be 20 stories tall and will contain a total of 533 apartments. Twin towers at another site will be 28 stories high with 750 apartments.

The exterior of the buildings will consist of a series of prefabricated aluminum grids, 9x21 feet, designed to eliminate as many fielderection joints as possible. Specially designed tinted glass will be set into the grids for windows.

HOME PRODUCT

Milwaukee—(U.P.)—Wisconsin, known far and wide as the Badger State, wasn't embarrassed at its state fair this year. Fair officials had to borrow a badger from Iowa for one recent fair, but this year they had their own, a home-grown one.



OUT OF THE NIGHT—Eugene Lyle, stunned by tragedy, comforts his wife after a private plane crashed into a North Hollywood apartment house, killing their daughter, Mrs. Betty Wolf, an 18-year-old bride. Also killed were a 2-month-old baby who had been baptized only two hours earlier and millionaire sportsman Joel W. Thorne, 40, pilot of the plane.

28,000-Mile Jaunt Enough for Bride

Hamburg—(U.P.)—Mrs. Albert J. Faustini is ready to settle down in one spot after "honeymooning" for a year in a one-room apartment on wheels that took her and her husband on a 28,000-mile jaunt through the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Faustini, an electronics engineer for five years before the couple was wed in May, 1954, bought a 1947 walk-in panel truck for \$575. Then he and his wife spent \$300 more and put in nearly three months' work to convert the inside into living quarters.

The do-it-yourselfers then gave a coat of green paint to their mobile home, lettered "The Happy Wanderers" in yellow on the conveyance, and took off.

Now Mrs. Faustini says she's had enough of her home-on-wheels for awhile. "I'm going to convert from a truck-wife to a housewife," she said.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—SEVEN

Language Difference Small Barrier for Tourists on Dominican Republic Jaunt

By H. D. QUIGG

United Press Correspondent
Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic—(U.P.)—The language barrier, like a woman, is a sometime thing.

But it can lead to some charming situations.

English-speaking people who come to this tropical country in the Caribbean for a vacation find some natives who speak a lot of English—in addition to their native Spanish—and some who speak and understand not so much.

To get right down to it, my roommate in the palatial Jaragua Hotel here spent a morning sun-soaking at the swimming pool, and in the afternoon he went spear fishing.

Watch Out for Sun

And at night when he came home, he was doing a slow burn. Doing? His legs were done—to a turn. At 18 degrees of latitude above the equator, you have to watch out for the hard-working sun.

He asked me if I had anything good for sunburn. I said no but that maybe he should ask the hotel. So he picked up the phone to get the desk. A lady answered. She was Spanish-speaking, but she knew enough English to get along.

"Do you have anything for sunburn?" my roommate asked, without wasting time on preliminary conversation.

"Un momento, and I'll see if we have," she replied.

There was a wait of a minute or so. And then the lady was back on the phone.

"No, nothing for you, Mr. Sunburn," she said cheerily.

Well, this is a true story. But it was not typical, because everywhere you go you find plenty of persons who can chatter with you in English.

The country is making a bid for the tourist trade. A \$25,000,000 Dominican Republic Fair for Peace and Progress is a building on 125 acres beside the Caribbean. It opens Dec. 20 and lasts into spring.

Ciudad Trujillo, the capital, is a clean city. You can drink the water right out of the tap—a condition that does not prevail in many countries.

NEBRASKA FARM STANDARD
Lincoln, Neb.—(U.P.)—The standard of living of Nebraska farm families has increased 74 per cent since 1945, a University of Nebraska economist reported. The index was based on the percentage of farms with electricity, telephones and automobiles and the value of products sold.

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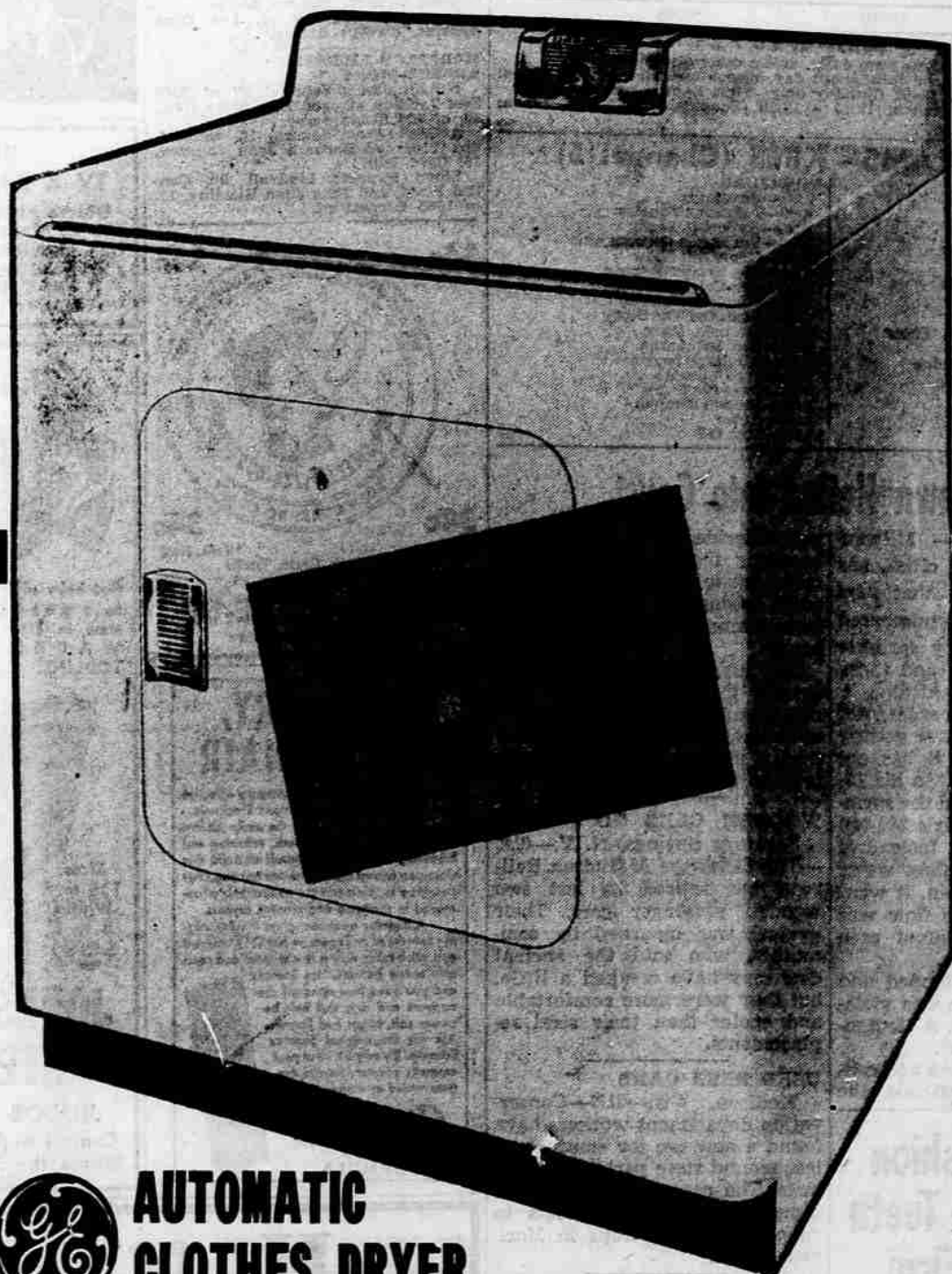
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