

Timely Topics

By Samuel Rosinger

Outside of a toy pistol, I have never handled or discharged any kind of a gun. Yet, last week, had I had a long-range rifle handy, in my utter desperation I might have aimed it with murderous intent at that advertising airplane that kept up all day a nerve racking racket by blasting away an ambulance siren at the height of its elegiac pitch. It seems that city authorities will have to enact ordinances against the nuisance of noise-making not only on terra firma, but also in the, heretofore, serene and peaceful skies. Such an ordinance would be greeted with joy not only by all mental workers, but especially by those sufferers who have been laid low by sickness, and are confined to bed, either in their homes or in the hospitals. These aerial noise-makers flagrantly violate the "quiet zone" which **terrestrial traffic is required to observe, and humane considerations ought to silence them for good.**

This wicked world is, indeed, heading towards perdition if the "snatchers" turn from their choice prey, the fat-pursed plutocrats, to chase after the lean game of poor preachers. And what a dementia does the demand of a twenty five thousand dollar ransom reveal. If a preacher would own this much worldly wealth, instead of trying to sell the golden rule to an obstreperous congregation, he would desert the pulpit and promote, like so many slick financiers, the sale of gold bricks. Maybe, the kidnapper wanted to coerce the preacher to reveal to him the cache of the heavenly treasures of which preachers speak so often. Well if that was what the "snatcher" was after, the preacher should have no difficulty in complying with his wishes. And, lest they abduct this poverty stricken preacher out of similar motives, I am, herewith, revealing the vault in which that heavenly treasure is hidden, together with the combination unlocking it. Heavenly treasures beyond compare, lie in the consciousness of a man who leads an honorable an upright life, loves God and respects his neighbor, and lives so that he is a credit to himself and a blessing to his fellowmen. Well, gangsters, racketeers and kidnapers, go to it. The catch is yours, if you can lay hold of it. This treasure is not guarded by armed forces. You have free access to it, without taking any risk to limb and life.

I have a great deal of forbearance with human failings and foibles. We live in a hard world. The struggle for existence is keen and nerve-straining. Untoward circumstances often frustrate our best efforts and destroy the fruit of our labors. Therefore, the average human needs recreation, amusement, stimulation and the diversion of his mind from the daily grind. I regard every wholesome pleasure as conducive to the welfare of the race, provided one observes the sanity of moderation and does not indulge in excesses. Yet, I draw the line at gambling dens, horse racing, lottery and all games of chance that tempt people to trust in luck rather than labor, and kill in them the ambition for honest work by the poison-bait of getting something for nothing. Such institutions of amusement, while they may benefit a few individuals and interests, are not a blessing to a community, and they are rightly opposed not only by the churches, but also by that sound business element that knows that gambling is not conducive to the healthy growth of a city.

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Slants at the Meeting

Oh Yes! What do you think?

At times our innate modesty just rebels and we are imbued with a sense of helplessness. YOU might characterize it as diffidence or humility. Maybe we ARE suffering from a gelatinous vertebrae, or an ingrowing cowardice. Anyway what we are going to say about last week's program could be put on the retina of your optic and never mar the vision.

Besides, we wrote too durn much last week and had to exclude some of the beautiful photos of the new members.

Of course, if you just have to know what we think about the program rather than print a lot of hieroglyphics a private interview might award you with some cacophonous chatter anent it.

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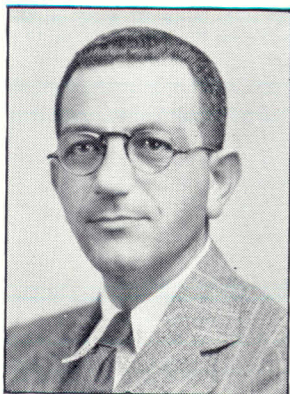
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Appraising Service

The classification of Appraising Service refers to the Appraisal of Real Estate and its improvements. Several years ago, however, someone misunderstood this classification and gave the writer a job appraising Pulchritude. Due to this assignment the writer, because of eye impairment and general debility, lost track of the real import of his classification. However, Uncle Sam, through the Home Owners' Loan Corporation scored an assist in focusing this appraisers' attention back to "Real" values where said attention belongs.

The least technical property to appraise is the

average house and lot and there are many factors which must be taken into consideration, viz; type of neighborhood, location of property, whether or not built up, character of people round about, size and shape of lot, type of streets, utilities, exposures, restrictions, nearness to schools, shops, parks, places of work, transportation, also depreciating influences such as, railway tracks, industrial and commercial enterprises, public garages, etc., and many other things too numerous to mention.

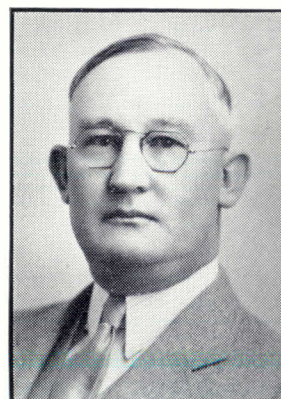
For the improvements, such details as the following must be considered; type and style, roof, material used, (frame, brick, etc.), quality, foundation, number of rooms, type of plumbing, fixtures, special rooms and features, floor plan, finish of floors, walls and bath, condition of interior and exterior, structural deficiencies, reproduction cost, depreciation, rental values and prevailing market values. All of the above elements must be gone into carefully and then with the application of common sense and good judgment, a fair reasonable appraisal as to the value of the property may be ascertained.

Appraisals of industrial property, income or business property and leaseholds, are highly technical and require a much more comprehensive survey with more detailed information than residential property.

From the above it will readily be noted that pulchritude is much easier to appraise in that 99% is on the surface. Real Estate values are not so apparent.

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