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Another Study Coming

"In conclusion, the members of the fact finding tour would like to emphasize that whatever is done must be done NOW. Many citizens in the Upper Peninsula are getting tired of being studied and restudied." — Richard E. Whitmer, director of the Michigan Department of Commerce in making his report to Gov. William Milliken on an "Economic Development Program for Michigan's Upper Peninsula," the report announced Dec. 2.

"The purpose of the Michigan phase of the survey is to determine the type of highway that can best serve the existing economy along the corridor, foster new economic activity and still provide safe, efficient travel for the motorist." — Gov. Milliken on Dec. 12 in announcing a \$50,000 survey study of the U. S. 2 corridor from St. Ignace to Escanaba and the M-35 corridor from Escanaba to Menominee under a \$150,000 Upper Great Lakes Regional Commission technical assistance project.

The statements are typical of the attitude toward the Upper Peninsula. While the Governor has taken an active interest in the Upper Peninsula and Whitmer, at the Governor's direction, made a six-day tour of the U. P. in September to look at some of the problems facing the area, the call for "action" seems only to bring more "paper projects" designed to make work for someone.

Even Whitmer, while requesting the Highway Commission "to restudy its construction program to see whether additional funds could be allocated to the Upper Peninsula during the next five years to improve highways that are hindering the growth of the area's economy" and pointing out that "particular attention should be placed on U. S. 2," qualified his remarks by saying, "If the commission decides a new facility should be built to replace U. S. 2 between St. Ignace and Escanaba, it should be urged to start construction of the new highway at the earliest possible moment and to consider building it in stages if its studies show that a freeway should be built."

Whitmer didn't say a new freeway should be built. He said the Highway Commission should "restudy" and "if its studies show

So now another one of those studies is coming, a study which can really do nothing but confirm that there are conflicting theories on how best to serve the area.

"As the Michigan Department of State Highways pointed out in its proposal for this study," Milliken said, "the primary service requirements of this route are to provide a high degree of mobility into and through the area and at the same time service the recreation-tourist activities along the corridor. These are somewhat conflicting objectives. A freeway would provide the highest degree of mobility and safety through traffic while maximum service to most of the recreational facilities along the route requires a great number of points where motorists can get off the highway."

"A survey by an independent engineering firm under the Upper Great Lakes proposal can do nothing but develop those very points, weighting either side by the contacts it makes. Meanwhile, the real program is delayed. It would seem that the State of Michigan is truly interested in doing something for the area it would get started pouring money into concrete. The northern part of Lower Michigan probably has more "recreation-tourist" oriented facilities along the route of Interstate 75 than the Upper Peninsula has along U. S. 2. Yet that didn't seem to lead 175 work.

The Upper Peninsula needs a freeway-type highway. And who knows, it might even help people get to some of those "recreation-tourist" facilities.

Peninsula Perambulator

A definite acceptance and a fairly definite commitment from two nations interested in sending teams to Ironwood for the first international skiing meet at Copper Peak have been received by promoters of the event. According to Earl Minkin, Copper Peak manager, the Hungarian team will send two jumpers, Laszlo and Mihaly Geller, brothers. Japan has made a commitment to send at least two teams. These show that forward is pending. Minkin said no word has been received from the Czechs, Germans, Austrians and Norwegians, but he was not alarmed, he said, because such delay is not unusual.

The life of a housewife and mother of four children can be hectic at times, but Mrs. Mona K. Guldsow of Norway also has managed to develop a successful freelance writing career which has gained her national recognition. Her husband, Donald, is a photo engraver, at the Norway Gravure, Inc., in Norway.

You Can't Blame A Guy For Trying!



Andrew Tully:

Christmas Fantasy

(Editor's Note: This fantasy was a favorite of the late President John F. Kennedy. It was first published in 1959 and is reprinted here in the calendar belongs to the world's children.)

BY ANDREW TULLY
 WASHINGTON — Now at last, after their long journey from the East, the Three Wise Men had arrived in Bethlehem to pay homage to the Babe of Peace.

They had followed the Great Star, and it had led them to the little stable near the inn. The Star had gone before them until it stood over where the young Child lay.

The Wise Men were surprised and a little chagrined to find this infant, who was to be mankind's Savior, lodged in such humble surroundings. But there was no doubt that this was the place, for there was the Star shining overhead.

Gifts For The King
 And so, although tired and worn, the Three Wise Men prepared to present themselves to the Babe. They set their servants to work on their camel packs, letting ropes and unwrapping the gifts they had brought for the King of Kings.

There were gold and jewels, and there were robes of fine spun gold and silver cloth. Frankincense and myrrh suited the air with their pungent odors. Each Wise Man ordered that his own gifts be piled outside the stable, and then bade his servants to carry them inside. The servants were warned to be careful not to

As the Wise Men entered the stable they were amazed to find that other persons had come before them. The young shepherds appeared to be shepherds, ragged, unshorn men in soiled and tattered garments. These shepherds held the hand of a little boy of about seven, whose other hand held a small piece of wood cradled in the palm of a lamb.

Halo Of Gold
 The shepherds seemed to sense the Wise Men's disappointment for they took back the

gifts at the feet of the child, in the process, one of the gems and gold coins poured out of their bags and into the manger.

A Happy Voice
 The Child lay there for a moment, unmoving. Then one hand came up from His side and reached out and touched something, and closed over it.

And from the door of the stable came the happy voice of the "shepherd's" little boy.

"It's my lamb!" he cried, his eyes shining with delight. "He reached for my lamb!"

The Journal Files

60 Years Ago

—Marquette— Shortly after Jan. 1 a start will be made with work in a new department at the Northern Normal, one that in time will greatly extend usefulness of the institution and broaden its training that it offers. The plan is for the Normal appropriation for the Normal carried an amount for a domestic science department and work of preparing to open this department has been in progress for several weeks.

—Lansing— An unusually large number of former residents of this city have returned to spend the holidays with relatives. The visitors

30 Years Ago

—Marquette— Northern municipalities plagued with demands for street improvements, water mains, sewerage and school bus service for homesites on outlying lots may find a measure of relief in use of state-owned land.

Outlines of the procedure for making use of the lands recently reverted to the state because of tax delinquency are being sent to officials of cities and villages in the 47 counties north of the Mackinac-Bay city line by the lands division of the department of conservation. The law under which the department administers these tax-reverted lands provides for deed-ing some of them to municipalities for a nominal fee.

—Lansing— More than 90 snow sports fans from Chicago and vicinity will

come to Ishpeming over the New Year's weekend and will remain for periods ranging from three to 10 days.

Boek Erickson, of Iron Mountain, asked Santa Claus to give a Christmas present in the form of a ringside seat at the big ski tournament in Iron Mountain.

Looking back at the fact that we already have a ringside seat at the BIG ONE ski tournament in Ishpeming on Feb. 22. There is only ONE championship tournament, and Ish-h-h-h.

—Negaunee— This weekend a check for \$1,000 was sent to the Finnish consulate in New York City, for the purpose of providing for the children of students of this city have contributed to the Finnish relief fund to \$1,300.

Lansing Log:

Schools In

State Lose

Big Present

By LARRY KURTZ

Associated Press Writer

LANSING (AP)—Last-minute hickering over how far help should go has taken a big Christmas present away from schools attended by culturally and economically deprived children.

It will be less than \$1 million, before further consideration is given to the question of freeing millions of dollars in aid that was supposed to have been distributed Dec. 1.

The funds are blocked by a law that could have been bought off with \$50,000 additional money for a program originally set at \$3.75 million.

Speaker Irritated
 With time running out, the Senate acted Thursday on a month-old House proposal, that \$1.5 million be added in an attempt to fund all schools which qualified for the special money.

But it reduced the additional funds figure to \$50,000, leaving some qualified schools still unaided.

Senate Appropriations Chairman Charles O. Zoller, D-Benton Harbor, said it would have taken \$2.5 million more, not \$1.5 million — to fund all qualified schools.

The Senate cut irritated House Speaker William Ryan, D-Detroit.

Fell Four Votes Short
 But the additional \$50,000 would have funded more schools — including some in northern Michigan — and caused Rep. Joseph Swallow, R-Alpena, to drop his lawsuit. But it would have left some schools in the Detroit area unaided.

Swallow urged acceptance of the \$50,000 figure as "an adequate and equitable way out of a most difficult situation."

The vote was 32-49 in favor of the \$50,000. But passage requires 56 votes.

Circuit Court Injunction
 Ryan made it an all-or-nothing issue, rather than go along with a plan to simply satisfy Swallow and the schools which qualified for the original \$3.75 million.

As it stands now, all the money is blocked from distribution. A Circuit Court injunction obtained last month by Swallow. He is not about to drop his court case against the state.

Ryan says the schools which had counted on getting the \$3.75 million to pay for special programs already arranged will just have to wait. Or, he suggested, the court could withdraw the injunction "to the public interest."

Farwell Speech
 Shortly after the \$500,000 plan failed, a Santa Claus took over the House microphone. Then Gov. William Milliken came to the farwell speech before leaving on vacation. Next, the legislators congratulated each other then swore off for the year. Finally, everyone called it quits for the holidays.

After the Legislature resumes Jan. 14, the House will be in conference committee. Presumably, an agreement can be reached there.

How Problem Decried
 This is how the whole problem developed:

Shortly after this year, the Legislature approved an \$8.75-million program for schools with high proportions of culturally and economically deprived children.

It set up five criteria for measuring cultural and economic deprivation, assigning points for each category. The breakdown provided up to 25 points for students on welfare, 25 for underprivileged children, 25 for concentration of school-age children in an area; 8 for students from broken homes, and 7 for students living in substandard housing.

Matter Of Definition
 This is for humanitarians: As Christmas comes around once again, we remember the less fortunate creatures of the earth that are so dependent upon our compassion and mercy.

We remember the animals that will suffer through man's cruelty, indifference, selfishness and ignorance unless we help them. We remember the lost dog, freezing and starving in some deserted alley. We remember kittens abandoned on a lonely woodland dying under the withering fire of insensitive hunters.

We remember the animals tortured and tormented in rodeos, circuses and slaughterhouses, the Chinese fashion, exploited in the name of entertainment, sacrificed mercilessly on the altar of science. Sadly, on this occasion when peace and happiness should fill the earth, we remember all persecuted life.

But there is hope and encouragement. Law. Through your help the eyes of mankind will be opened to see and accept the doctrine of justice and peace for all forms of life in the year just passed. Your generosity has enabled us to:

• Stop a great amount of cruelty to seals harvested in the Pribilof Islands, Alaska.

EDITOR'S MAIL

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(Contributions are invited. Letters should be limited to less than 300 words. We will be glad to consider articles for publication. Paragraphs longer than 100 words will be paraphrased.)

Comments On 1910 Photo

Dear Sir:
 Sir and Mrs. Howard Trivado of Marquette were kind enough to send me a picture shown in The Mining Journal, Dec. 8, taken in 1910 at my great grandfather's camp. I believe I have shared my memories.

Breting
 I visited Marquette last summer for the first time in 33 years. It was like stepping into the past and revisiting the former homes of my family and enjoying the beauty of that part of the country.

My daughter, Juliet Segorski, her husband, Michael, and my granddaughter, Juliet Breting Skorski, and my wife, I believe I have shared my memories. Joan Martin of Loma Farnis is the only family I have left in that part of the country.

Thank you for putting the picture in the paper, as that way I feel my family is not forgotten as Marquette was such a part of them.

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Humane Society Projects

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• Assume leadership of the Kindness Club program to foster humane attitudes in children and develop them into responsible citizens.

• Rescue endangered and starving mustang herds in Nevada.

• Campaign nationwide against sports hunting, trapping and surplus breeding of dogs and cats and the violence to man and animals so heavily featured in motion picture and television production.

• Conduct massive humane education programs against cruelty to animals in biomedical research laboratories, public ponds, science education and pet shops.

• Investigate housing and pet care of domestic and farm animals, zoos and caged animals, trained animal acts.

• Support programs to preserve and protect endangered species of wildlife.

Won't you help so that this work can be continued? We ask not for ourselves but for suffering animals that you make a special contribution. The Marquette Humane Society is working without funds or facilities and needs help desperately. We need an animal shelter where all animals can find shelter, food and care. Send your contribution to the Humane Society Fund at the Union National Bank.

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Attorney Dissents

Dear Editor:
 On Thursday, Dec. 18, The Mining Journal and television station WLLC reported that a group of students forcibly took possession of and detained Dr. Arthur J. Rice, vice president of Northern Michigan University, for a period of 35 minutes, at which time he was threatened with a four-foot club.

Michigan statutes provide as follows: "Any person who willfully and maliciously and without lawful authority shall forcibly or secretly confine or imprison, or detain within this state, any person against his will, shall be guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for life or for any term of years." (C. L. 340-249)

To this date, there has been no indication that the Marquette City Police, the Marquette County Sheriff's Department, the Marquette County prosecuting attorney's office or the Michigan State Police have taken any action relative to this reported kidnaping. Apparently, the police authorities and the university authorities are willing to condone this felonious kidnaping.

This country has developed and prospered as a society based upon law rather than the dictates of a particular man; mob or mobster. It appears that the Michigan University campus has become an oasis within our state wherein people shall be ruled by gangs and mobs rather than law, and the law enforcement authorities will stand idly by investigating parking meters, traffic offenses and other misdemeanors.

The gang, meanwhile, laughs at law and society and the university and awaits another opportunity to display its ability to operate by the dictates of force. As one member of the approving majority in this country, I am appalled.

By NICKOLAS BRIDGES
 Attorney at law
 (Editor's note: — County and city officials are investigating the case, according to the prosecuting attorney's office. See story elsewhere in this edition.)