## JOLIET SCHOOL BAND WINS NATIONAL TEST

SECOND COUNCIL BLUFFS

Small Town Musical Organization Proves Its Worth In Big Contest Recently In Iowa City

The small city band put another feather in its cap at Council Bluffs, Iowa recently when Joliet Township high school of Illinois annexed the national school band championship a second time from a field of 19 close contenders. Council Bluffs, Iowa, winner of second place, was nosed out by Joliet by a fraction of a point. Third place was awarded to the Modesto, California, school band, and fourth place to Nicholas Senn high school of Chicago. Special honorable mention was given by the judges to the school bands of Lockport, New York and Quincy, Illinois, both of whom fought their way into the finals but which did not get in on the prize list.

Winners in Class B, made up of entries from schools having an enrollment under four hundred pupils, were Princeton, Calif., first; Vermillion, S. Dakota, second; Ida Grove, Iowa,

prize tablets and the first two win- the basic course, which deals mainly ners in each class with medals for the with fundamentals and lays a foundirector and each member of the dation for future training in any band. The national trophy, which branch. must be won three successive times | Applications at the rate of fifty before it may be kept permanently, to sixty per day have been reaching will remain with Joliet for another the C. M. T. C. office; however, there year. This was the first year in still remain vacancies in all camps which there was a Class B competi- and branches for those who apply now

The Joliet school band also placed first in a special marching contest held in connection with the musical event, and was awarded a special baton as prize by the Council Bluffs Rotary club. In this contest, too, Quincy, Illinois, and Austin, Texas, tied for second place, while third place went to the Flint, (Mich.) school.

## BALDWIN'S SPEECH

Machinations of Bolsheviks In This Country Revealed by **British Raid** 

The opportunity is open for a real philanthropist, who lives our country, NOTABLE DECISION GIVEN to set aside a generous sum of money to pay for the immediate printing and distribution of the speech of Premier Baldwin in England in which he set forth in detail the full story of bolshevik intrigue in England and America, because of which His Majesty's government has broken relations with the Soviet Republic of Russia. Additional copies should be sent to our own well intentioned people who that carelessness with fire need not in their political activities verge from be confined to Federal forest lands pink to red and who waxed so high- in order to constitute a criminal ofly indignant when Assist. Secretary fense under Section 53 of the United Olds, of our own State department, States Criminal Code. Leaving a fire authorized the statement that one of near a Federal forest without totally. the most disturbing factors in the extinguishing it even though the fire adjustment of our relations with the is started on private land is a crimneighboring Republic of Mexico was inal offense in the eyes of the court, the meddling of the Russian bolshe- and punishable by fine or imprisonviks. It might be well in the pam- ment if national forest timberland phlet containing Baldwin's speech to is endangered. The decision is esadd a few reprints of the indignant pecially important to national forest diet is indicated by these statistics newspaper stories charging Secre- protection, according to the Forest from the markets. Many doctors now tary Olds with seeking to mislead Service of the United States Departthe American people. The Baldwin ment of Agriculture, for their many note proves conclusively that perhaps thousands of miles of boundary are the only weakness which our own subject to the grave danger of fires State Department showed was in not that originate on adjacent private making its pronunciamento on the lands and may sweep into national bolshevik unfriendly attitude a little forest land. stronger.

# ILLINOIS IMPROVED

Good Roads In State, According to Last Report

of the Department of Public Works a live fire which escapes into governand Buildings of Illinois, made public ment timber. This, combined with recently, shows there were 5,901.31 the fact that the law applies equally miles on improved highways in Illi- clearly and forcefully to fires abannois on January 1. 1927. Of this 4,- doned on government land, gives a 839.68 miles were constructed during strong weapon for combatting this the term of Governor Small.

of state bond issue highways; 1,- fire protection with many private 622.82 miles federal aid; 312.43 miles owners whose lands adjoin or interstate aid; 1,275.23 miles county-15D, mingle with national forest land, but and 25.99 miles miscellaneous high- there are many other owners and

Crossing and recrossing the state from north to south and east to west, and connecting all of the important cities by most direct routes, there is 5,466.77 miles of concrete slab, eighteen feet in width. The remaining 535 miles is made up as follows:

	Miles
Brick	137.16
Asphal	44.59
Bituminous Concrete	9.39
Bituminous Macadam	18.67
W. B. Macadam	55.96
Gravel	168.78
Gravel	

The U. S. Suprême court has ruled tax. Which reminds us of the method to exterminate potato bugs, which is "Now first catch the bug, then-"

Doctors are urging we have laws to curb the sale of cosmetics which are dangerous to public health. Evidently some of the M.D.'s have gone me with powder on their shoulder

### MANY ENROLL IN MOUNTED BRANCHES

CAMPS CITIZEN

Big Rush of Applicants This Year for Places In Cavalry Sections, Report Says; Details

The "Doughboy" may be the backbone of the army, but the mounted branches have not lost their appeal for young America if the number of applications to attend this summer's Citizens Military Training Camps from Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan is accepted as a basis of comparison. Although active enrollment began only March 1st, fifty per cent of all vacancies in the Cavalry and sixty per cent of all vacancies in the Field Artillery have been filled, leaving only 193 enrollments among the "Yellow Legs" and 112 among the "Gunners" out of a total of 4,300 to Be trained.

Rush to Mounted Branches

Never before in the history of Sixth Corps Area C. M. T. C. enrollment, explained Major General William Lassiter, has there been such a rush to fill vacancies in the mounted branches. Only students who return for the second year are permitted to third; and Cleveland, Okla., fourth.

The winning bands were awarded first year men are required to take

and can qualify.

Apply Early •

General Lassiter advises all young men in Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin who are contemplating month's outing at one of the C. M. T. camps to apply early. These camps are government institutions; the democracy of them is an outstanding and can qualify, physically and mor-SHOULD BE SPREAD ally, have priority over all others.

# FOREST FIRE LAW

Powerful Factor In Preventing the fugitives, and a gun battle in the Carelessness on Part of Travelers Is Belief of Forest Service

The Supreme court has just decided

Powerful Factor

"This decision, coming at the very beginning of our main forest fire sea-HIGHWAY MILEAGE son, will be a powerful factor in preventing carelessness with fire on pri- tales. Nearly Six Thousand Miles of vate lands within and near the national forests," according to E. E. Carter, acting forester of the Forest Service. "The careless camper or owner can no longer plead private Report of the Division of Highways ownership as an excuse for leaving phase of the fire problem.

These figures include 2,664.84 miles "The Forest Service co-operates in many visitors who are careless with fire and endanger public property," said Mr. Carter. "The Forest Service welcomes visitors to the national forests for recreational and other purposes, but it can not afford to be lenient with those who endanger these vast public properties, and is compelled in their defense to a strict enforcement of the forest fire statutes. All campers and travelers within the national forests are warned to drown their camp fires with water, to dispose of matches and smoking materials safely, and to observe the 'no smoking' regulations where they are in effect. Likewise it that bootleggers must pay income warns local farmers and settlers to wet weather and in strict accordance with state and federal laws, remembering that they are responsible for the escape of any such fires on to

federal forest land." Case Outlined

In the case of the United States vs. nd rouge on the lip.

As a result of the meeting of 44 preme court, Alford had been indicted state legislatures this year there are for building a fire on land adjacent to the Florida National forest and not extinguishing a

ing it, as a result of which national forest lands were burned over. The

court was demurred to on the ground that the Federal statute did not cover leaving a fire at any place except on government land. The District court for the Southern District of Florida sustained the demurrer and the case was brought up to the Supreme court.

The statute involved reads in part: Whoever shall build a fire in or near any forest, timber, or other inflammable material upon the public domain shall, before leaving said fire, totally extinguish the same; whoever shall fail to do so shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both."

Purpose of Act In handing down the opinion of the Supreme court, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes said: "The purpose of the act is to prevent forest fires which have been one of the great economic misfortunes of the country. The danger depends upon the nearness of the fire; not upon the ownership of the land where it is built. The stapublicly owned forests. Taken in con- great deal of the deepest devotion. nection with the danger to be pre-

to obey the law." 90 per cent of the forest fires which Sam's wife: "She lets her husband annually burn over vast areas of pub- go out every night!" But this was a lic and private lands in the United mistake: Sam's wife and Sam do not States are man caused, and therefore 'let' each other do anything,-not

GET REWARD FOR

Streator Officer and Youth Are Given \$2,500 Each For Aid Contributed

Harry Miller, Streator officer, wounded in the gun battle near Lenore between six convicts escaping from the Illinois State Penitentiary after killing Deputy Warden P. M. N. Kline, has been awarded \$2,500 by the state court of claims. Miller was shot in the face.

George Katanich, a Lenore youth, feature; there is no preferred class to whom much of the credit for the of students. Those who apply early early capture of four of the slayers is due, will receive a similar reward. Katanich was taken captive by the convicts and held a prisoner for several hours. He appeared to sympathize with them and suggested they UPHELD BY COURT would be able to secure weapons at Lenore.

Because of the friendship apparently shown he was released and permitted to go home. A telephone message to LaSalle county officers gave the first information of the plans of streets of Lenore followed.

### DISDAIN NOT THE LOWLY LETTUCE

Americans ate twenty million dollars' worth of lettuce last year. This was six times as much as they ate ten years ago, according to statistics gathered by the Woman's Home Companion. There are only three vegetables for which the American housewife spends more than she does for the crisp green leaf. Those are the potato, the sweet potato and the to-

Physicians declare that a notable and beneficial change in the national their patients, "Eat a whole head

There was in ancient times a couplet which said: "Beware of salads, green meats and fruits raw, for they make many a man have a feeble maw." Physicians and housewives in America, acting in unison, are fast disposing of many such old wives'

THINKS AMERICANS

Booth Tarkington Believes In Their Ability to Make Marriage Succeed

In the face of alarming increases in the divorce statistics, the American people are rapidly solving the probblem of how to be happy though married, in the opinion of Booth Tarkington, the Hoosier author and philosopher. This developing solution of the marriage problem, Mr. Tarkington thinks, may prove to the America's greatest contribution to modern life.

"We can obtain statistics upon divorce, and probably could compile figures estimating the number of suicides due to marriage," says Mr. Tarkington in the American Magazine, "but it is more difficult to set forth the true proportion of really happy marriages. We only know that, no matter how crazy the contract, most Anserican husbands and wives tute is constitutional. Congress may do get along with each other, not prohibit the doing of acts upon pri- always happily, but with more or less vately owned lands that imperil the harmony, more or less conflict, and a

"Freedom is the great essential vented it lays down a plain enough element in a happy marriage. Withrule of conduct for anyone who seeks out it marriage is a bondage.

"A woman neighbor, shaking her The Forest Service points out that head ominously, said of my friend preventable by the exercise of care. any more than one lets a stranger choose which road he will follow. They consult each other; they do not CONVICTS' CAPTURE ask or grant permissions; they enjoy liberty, equality and fraternity,-universal and instinctive ideals actually realized in their happy marriage.

"Marriage is a bond that must not be a bondage. Without freedom marriage cannot be happy."

Who remembers the old fashioned experts of 1920 who told us that by 1927 the supply of crude oil would be practically used up?

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