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Local Opinion
After all, opinion is only registered at Washington, and state capitols — it is originated back home. The material out of which such opinions can be formulated has never been available in such stimulating profusion. Books must not lose their effectiveness in crises because they are such very familiar tools; books are dynamite, they are fertilizers, they are sometimes oil to troubled waters.

Will not local leaders of many faiths and divergent hopes offer their personal recommendations as to books which they would like to see become "required reading" in their own community?

Before our eyes current social trends are shaping into a new social set-up. Let's read and recommend. —P.W. Jan. 12, 1935.

"Now That I Have Time—"
"The man who has learned to read," say Weiss and Snyder in their recent *Keeping Young in Business*, "and knows how to vary his interests in the wide field of literature, has gained the nearly priceless commodity, active curiosity." "Active curiosity" need not necessarily be concerned entirely with new books (the lack of which is the conventional defense) necessary as they are to leave. The authors later state that the business man who has neglected the reading habit must re-establish that "friendship with all living literature he has neglected in his busy years." But not only the business man should be included. Books should be presented to attract curiosity, and to reawaken a dormant friendship in those who will enjoy their society. Reading leisure, we know, is not a clocked period but a state of mind; "finding time" is merely seizing opportunity.

More Book Talks
The adult education group at Lincoln school has complete plans for a series of evening book talks to begin Jan. 24 at the Lincoln school building.

The first discussion this Thursday evening, will be devoted to reviews on books, pamphlets and magazine articles relating to present economic trends.

These will be held every two weeks for the duration of these classes, which are being conducted for any adult who wishes to do something constructive with his leisure time.

The second of the series on Feb. 7 will be devoted to fiction. The talks are held from 8:30 to 9:30 in order that members of other classes may participate.

Host to Neighboring Librarians
The Highland Park Library is expecting as its guests next Monday the trustees and librarians from all the neighboring towns, north in the county, and south to Evanston. The first regional meeting of the

Illinois State Library extension division is to be held in the assembly room from 9 to 4 in the afternoon. Proposed legislation for library extension, together with administrative problems, will fill the morning program. The afternoon will be given to a discussion of recent books. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Erwin Seago Chosen as Bank Director

Erwin Seago has been elected a director of the Deerfield State Bank. The basis of election as director at the stockholders meeting Jan. 8, was receiving more than one thousand share votes. He polled 1381 votes and next highest was Fred Beckman with 363 votes.

Mr. Seago takes the place of Mr. George Rickenbach, who has been a member of the board since the bank's organization, but did not wish to assume the duties again this year.

Mr. Seago, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seago of Sunset Court, in Deerfield, is a young attorney and his many friends are happy to know that he qualified for the office at a special meeting last Friday night.

Directors to serve for 1935 are: Dr. C. J. Davis, A. J. Ender, Rudolph B. Evans, Rudolph Lauer, Frank Kottrach, F. J. LaBahn, Erwin Seago, Solomon Shapiro, L. H. Soefker, Charles C. Wooster.

Executive officers are: Rudolph Lauer, president; Dr. C. J. Davis, vice-president; Jesse W. McGinnis, cashier; Ira J. Gardner, assistant cashier; Luella K. Hatch, assistant cashier; Charles C. Wooster, attorney.

NEXT SUNDAY'S CHICAGO HERALD AND EXAMINER will contain 2 more pages of astounding Crime Pictures. Here are photographs that show the horrors that have been perpetrated all over the country.

This Week in Washington

by Ralph E. Church
Washington, D.C., Jan. 19—With the exception of two or more vacancies on certain committees, last Monday (14th) the House completed its organization with the adoption of the resolution of Bertrand H. Snell, Republican floor leader, making the committee assignments for the Republican membership. On the previous Friday (11th) Robert T. Doughton, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, introduced a like resolution for the Democratic party. The House is now ready to engage in the intensive work of this session.

It was my privilege to be assigned to the Committee on Naval Affairs and the Committee on Patents. The first meeting of the Naval Affairs, held in the regular committee room, was taken up with the subcommittee designations. On the following morning we met in the office of Secretary of Navy Swanson.

Congress is functioning with unusual ease, although many heated controversies are anticipated on proposed legislation. In less than two hours the Senate passed the Independent Offices Appropriation Bill, carrying nearly \$800,000,000 for such agencies as the Federal Trade Commission and Tariff Commission. The House spent only two days on the bill, and a large part of that time was consumed in general debate, rather than on the measure itself.

On Thursday Allen T. Treadway, ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, sharply criticized the administration in its reciprocal trade agreements with foreign countries. He stated that the hearings held by the administration before negotiations with foreign countries were entered into were a farce, that our domestic producers do not have sufficient time to prepare their views for presentation. The trade agreement with

Cuba was used as an example. The administration announced its intention to negotiate the agreement on July 3. Oral hearings for those affected were held on July 23 and on August 24 the agreement was signed. The claim was made that no industry can adequately prepare its evidence in that length of time and proper consideration be given the facts by the administration.

The President has presented his message to Congress on social legislation, or, as he called it, legislation for "economic security." It is for Congress to translate its proposals, if it sees fit to adopt them, into practical legislation. Among other things, the proposals consisted of unemployment insurance and old age benefits. Sufficient time has not elapsed for any opinions on the proposals to be definitely crystallized.

To date an even dozen bills have been introduced. The proponents of the "Patman Bonus Bill" and the "Vinson Bonus Bill" and respectively marshalling their forces. One distinct difference between these two measures is that the Patman Bill provides for the issuance of \$2,200,000,000 United States notes as a method of payment. The Vinson bill makes no provision for the method of payment, although it is stated that the method will be through the issuance of government bonds for the financing.

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