

Traffic Studies Throughout Nation

Elementary School Children To Examine Community Needs Before Writing Essays.

A study of highway safety problems in one hundred thousand communities will be made throughout the nation as a result of the eleventh national safety campaign.

Eleven national organizations concerned with highway safety will collaborate in the campaign and those who make the study will represent the group that has the best record in accident prevention in the United States today. Thomas H. MacDonald, Chief of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, is chairman of the Board.

This group, according to the Board, is the elementary school children of the nation, whose safety record during the period of the earlier campaigns is little less than phenomenal when compared with that of their elders. During a ten year period while the adult fatality rate was increasing more than 200 per cent, the Board claims, the child rate remained stationary in the face of advancing car registration, car miles and growing population. When the activity among school children was suspended four or five years ago, the fatality rate, insurance statistics reveal, showed a 17 per cent increase in one year.

To interest the schools again in safety education, the Board announces a renewal of the safety essay and safety lesson contests open to elementary school pupils and teachers. Collateral activity includes school boy patrols, the award of merit room banners and school plaques.

The contests are open to all pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, who are asked to write essays on the subject "A Definite Program for My Community to Prevent Highway Accidents and to Promote Highway Safety." To write on this subject pupils will need to study conditions in their several communities. As an incentive 440 state prizes and medals are to be given for the best essays, and three national awards will be made. The state prizes vary according to the elementary school population of the several states.

All elementary school teachers en-

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gaged in classroom instruction are eligible to compete for three national awards offered for the best lessons on highway safety. Their subject is "A Lesson on Highway Safety for Children of My Community," and prizes total \$1,000 in cash. The writer of the best lesson will receive \$500 and a trip to Washington with all expenses paid. The second and third best lessons will earn for the author \$300 and \$200 respectively.

Altogether a total of \$6,500 will be given away in prizes and awards, distributed according to the excellence of the papers and the school population. The awards are made possible by the automotive industry, and the entire campaign is part of a nation-wide movement sponsored by the industry to reduce the number of accidents on streets and highways.

The contests are conducted with the aid and cooperation of city, county, and state school officials, who are being asked to aid in the announcement of the competitions and the selection of the essays and lessons to receive the awards. Pupils and teachers have until May 15 in which to submit their papers, and it is expected that the results will be announced soon after the reopening of school this fall. Descriptive literature containing detailed rules have been sent to each superintendent of public and parochial schools in the United States. These officials then request the necessary number of additional announcements for use in the school and the classroom. This literature is supplied free.

Booklets containing certain of the better lessons of other years and other safety literature also are being distributed by the Board.

This activity marks the re-entry of the Highway Education Board into the safety field. For ten years it carried on similar campaigns thru the schools, with the result that children, through their intensive study of safety rules, escaped the heavy toll that claimed their elders.

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

Some thoughtful advice for parents is offered by Ruth Ryan in the July Progressive Farmer:

"I wish I could earnestly exhort all parents to allow their children some freedom. If you do not trust your children, do you think they will make any effort to rise to your good opinion of them? Don't you think that if your neighbor were watching you every day to see if you stole any of his corn, you would be almost tempted to steal it just to show him you could? Of course you wouldn't do it, because it would be against your principles. In the same way, your daughter may not do the terrible things you dread—because they are against her principles! You should have more respect for the moral fiber with which you equipped her."

"Every wise parent knows that there is unguarded time in every girl's life when she can fall into mischief if she hasn't too much sense or honor to do so, of her own accord. No amount of watching will improve her character. How can man strengthen any muscle except by use? How can you expect your children to make wise decisions if they are never allowed to decide?

"Don't force your daughter to adopt underhand methods. If you forbade her to eat but she slipped her bread, you couldn't condemn her morals although you forced her into a false position. And I doubt if the Good Judge would hold it against her as much as he would against you."

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Herschel Morris doesn't mind black cats or 13. He was in Company B, 604 Engineers during the World War, in the Fifth Army Corps, Squad 13; he was 13 days going over; landed Friday the 13th and there were 13 ships in the convoy. His discharge shows he was 13 days in the front drive, and that he served 13 months and 13 days in service, and landed back in New York with 13 cents. He says he can show all these facts and figures except the 13 cents.—Mayfield Messenger.

Goldfish

Goldfish is a native to Eastern Asia, where it has been bred by the Chinese for centuries. There are more goldfish raised in Frederick county, Maryland, than any place else in the United States.

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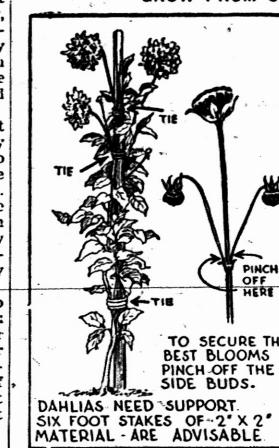
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Use them in border background. They need full sun and cultivation. Prepare soil 10 inches deep.

Dahlia rank with gladiolus as the most popular plant grown from tender tubers, corms, etc. They are particularly desirable in the perennial border, where they may be used in any location calling for tall upright plants.

Plant dahlias at any time after the soil has become warm up to July first. Do not make the mistake of placing dahlias too close together. They make heavy demands on soil moisture and on plant food. They will not thrive in shade. Preferably place them about four feet apart.

Prepare the soil to a depth of at least ten inches. Apply a complete plant food at the rate of four pounds per hundred square feet and work it into the soil. It is best if part of the plant food is worked into the soil that is placed around the tuber. Set the tubers about 6 inches deep.

Cultivate often until the buds appear, to maintain a good mulch. After the buds appear, give only very shallow and light cultivation, or the new tubers will be injured.

To secure best blooms, it is advisable to permit only the most hardy shoot to remain, and when this is

three to four joints above the ground, pinch out the top, which causes the plant to branch out. Leave the end bud on each branch, but remove the side buds that appear at each sets of leaves.

Six to eight weeks after planting apply plant food about the plants at the rate of four pounds per hundred square feet.

Dig dahlia tubers before the soil freezes. Clean them well and store in shallow boxes of sand in a cool place where they will not freeze.

Entirely distinct in type and size are the comparatively small Coltness and Unwin dahlias. They are bedding flowers of bright colors and as easy to grow as zinnias from seed.

FIND TELESCOPE "EYE" HAS COOLED WITHOUT A FLAW
Successful completion of the 200-inch glass eye for the world's largest telescope, announced at the Corning Glass works, at Corning, N. Y., means that in about five years man will see four times farther into space than ever before.

Astronomers will see what may exist in regions about 1,200,000,000 light years away—areas of the sky so remote their light takes that long to reach earth. In other words, these areas may be seen five years, as they looked more than 1,200,000,000 years ago, or long before any known life existed on earth.

This event finishes the most critical and difficult step in making this telescope, which will be twice the size of any now in existence. Five years is a conservative estimate of the time needed to grind and polish the big glass into a mirror and to set it up in a telescope in the observatory yet to be built on Palomar mountain, about 75 miles south of Los Angeles.

The calcite used in making the "eye" was produced at Chinn's Mineral mine in Mercer county.

HOUSE PASSES \$1.00 DRIVERS' LICENSE BILL

The House of Representatives Friday approved and sent to the Senate two more of Gov. A. B. Chandler's tax measures.

Together, the two bills—the new drivers' license tax of \$1 and the 3 per cent levy on consumers' light water and gas bills—are estimated to provide about \$1,800,000 a year toward the budget-balancing program.

First to Commercialize Writing
The first woman in the United States to make writing a profession was Hannah Adams (1755-1831), whose "Dictionary of Religions" passed through four editions. Her "Summary History of New England" was a pioneer history of the region and was abridged for use as a textbook.

Beginning of Salvation Army

The Salvation Army was founded in 1805 under the name of East London Mission, later changed to the Christian Mission. In 1878 the title of the Salvation Army was adopted.

One Ox for One Dinner

The spider has such a huge appetite that if a man ate the same quantity in proportion to his size he would need a whole ox for dinner.

Temperature in Virgin Islands
The annual temperature range of the Virgin Islands is from 74 degrees to 87 degrees F. Rainfall in most years is about 3 inches per month. The relative humidity is usually below 60 per cent, falling considerably below this at noon.

The Term Nihilism

The term nihilism was first applied by Turgenev in his novel, "Fathers and Sons," to a theory held by many Russian revolutionists at that time. The book was published in 1802.

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