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COPIES OF CHICAGO TRIBUNE NEEDED

-- from its beginning in 1847 thru 1872. The MICRO PHOTO division, Bell & Howell Company, 1700 Shaw Ave., Cleveland 12, Ohio has requested aid in locating copies of this newspaper. They have been authorized by the Chicago Historical Society to collect, collate and microfilm all available copies. If you have any of these newspapers, please send a list indicating the dates. They will assemble the information and then approach you regarding issues they may wish to borrow for microfilming. Your help is earnestly requested in this worthwhile endeavor as it will be necessary to secure the cooperation of all holders of files in order to accomplish the task assigned to them by The Chicago Historical Society.

"History doesn't happen between the covers of books, it is merely recorded there. History happens to people--and it happens on the land. Seeing where history happened makes it more intimate and meaningful to us."
. . .St. Augustine Historical Society, May 1963.

DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT MERRICK BLAIR of Owosso

--George Wiskemann is interested in any information about this man who made guns. Please contact George.

PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CENTENNIAL

--Congratulations go to Plymouth Church for its very fine celebration of its centennial year.

THE APRIL 8, 1964 meeting of the HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING is to be held at the STEVENS T. MASON BUILDING, Room 133, at 7:30 p.m.

TREASURE NIGHT

Everyone is to bring one or more of their treasures and tell about them.

COMMAND PERFORMANCE

At our March 11th meeting, many of our members requested that Dr. Joseph Druse be asked to tell us of his work in Nigeria. Even though Dr. Joe was on our program for family history night this year, he has been induced to tell us about his stay in Nigeria and is bringing with him some of the TREASURES he collected there.

Michigan State University has received a contract from the Administration for International Development (AID) to assist in the creation and development of a new University of Nigeria along the lines of an American land grant university, adapted, however, to African conditions.

Part of that task involved the setting up of the Department of Humanities in the College, and after his arrival he was appointed Head of the College. He served the University for two years, and has recently returned to his previous position as Associate Professor of Humanities at Michigan State University.

As past-president and long-time member of our Society we are all anxious to hear of his experiences and see the TREASURES brought from this far away land.

MICHIGAN WEEK DINNER RESERVATIONS

I would like to make _____ reservations for MICHIGAN WEEK DINNER, May 20, 1964, REO CLUBHOUSE 1331 South Washington Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, 6:30 p.m.

PRICE \$2.00 per person

MAIL YOUR CHECKS TO: HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING, P.O. BOX 515, Lansing, Michigan or

MARY MC NEELY, 1007 West Allegan, Lansing, Michigan

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

--invites you to attend the EIGHTH ANNUAL INSTITUTE OF PENNSYLVANIA LIFE AND CULTURE is to be held June 23-26 at the Pennsylvania Farm Museum at Landis Valley.

This year's seminars are: 1. Women's Work on the Pennsylvania Farm, 1800-1850, 2. Early Railroading in Pennsylvania, 3. Preservation and Minor Restoration of Paintings and Documents, 4. The American Indian, an Archaeological Study, 5. Authenticating Pennsylvania Antiques, and 6. Problems and Techniques of Historical Restoration.

Each participant enrolls for two courses. Classes are informal and make use of the unique collections of the Farm Museum and nearby facilities. Registration fee for the meeting, including two dinners and three lunches, is \$25.00. Hotel and motel accommodations start at \$6.50 a day for hotels, at \$8.00 a day for motels etc., and not included in registration fee. For further information, write: Irwin Richman, Chairman, Institute of Pennsylvania Life and Culture, State Museum Bldg., Box 232, Harrisburg, Penn.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

--headed by Ford Ceasar who has chosen Bob Clark and Mrs. Ruby Jennings, will have the slate of officers to be elected for the coming year.

The list will be carried in the May Town Crier and the voting will be carried on at the May meeting.

MICHIGAN WEEK DINNER TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT \$2.00 per person

Call Mary McNeely 373-1212 or IV 5-7890. Send your reservations to Historical Society of Greater Lansing, P.O. Box 515, Lansing.

Dinner is to be at 6:30 at the REO CLUBHOUSE May 20, 1964. Let's make this a gala affair by bringing your friends and family.

AN INTERESTING PICTURE MAP

--has come to our attention. It is of the Emmet County region. Creator of the map is Mike Schulz, senior at MSU. The map was suggested by his father, Helmuth Schulz, Jr., who began sailing the northern Great Lakes as a hobby in 1930, photographing light-houses and historic sites and taking notes with the ultimate goal of using the material for a new map of the area. Mike used his dad's photographs for scale drawings on the map and re-checked all the information to see it was up to date. The map is 18x24 and suitable for framing. Available for 50 cents plus mailing costs of 10 cents (60 cents in all) from: H. Schulz, Jr., R3, Box 33, Petoskey, Michigan 49770.

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