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STOPPING CAMPERS

EVERYONE must have been struck with the large number of bush fires which have occurred this year all over the country, and there is good reason to believe that many of them were due to downright sheer carelessness. That is the view which the New Brunswick Government takes of the disastrous bush fires which have occurred in that province this summer, and it is considering whether it shall not stop campers from using certain areas. In that province, as in the others, it seems that campers, fishermen, hunters and other people pay little or no heed to the repeated warnings made as to the danger of leaving smouldering fires, the throwing about of lit matches, and of lighted butts of cigars and cigarettes.

It has been said that bush fires have caused monetary losses which would equal or surpass, probably the letter, all the war loans issued. Of course all these losses have not been caused by such carelessness as we have mentioned, but a large proportion of them have. Nature does not do much in the way of destruction by lightning, and the railways are taking greater precautions than ever in preventing sparks setting light to the bush. The use of airplanes, though serviceable, has not had the effect of diminishing the fires.

Therefore, it may become necessary for the other Provincial Governments to consider the proposed plan of the New Brunswick government to close the happy hunting grounds to campers and others against them. The present drastic fire regulations in Ontario do not seem to have had much effect. So far as we know, there has been but one prosecution, followed by punishment for carelessness, under them. It is up to the campers and others to see that the deprivation of their camps and so on is not made necessary.

DIRIGIBLES A FAILURE

THAT not for some time at any rate has the dirigible airship been considered safe and practicable for purposes of commercial aviation is amply evident from the disaster which befel the ZR-2, the monster dirigible, which was built in England for the United States, and which was wrecked in the Humber River, with a loss of over 40 lives among its crew, on the eve of its proposed departure for America.

Dirigibles were found none too effective in the war, either, but towards the end of the campaign especially they were generally discredited as effective instruments of war. A press despatch from Washington a few days ago, recorded views expressed by American Congressmen, following upon the disaster to the ZR-2, that the dirigible would be of little use in possible future wars. It is suggested, however, that with helium substituted for hydrogen, for inflation and lighting purposes, the danger of disaster would be greatly overcome. It was the explosion of the hydrogen, created by the breaking of one of the great steel girders, that apparently was responsible for the heavy loss of life in the tragic fate of the ZR-2. Helium is not inflammable where hydrogen is. Helium, too, is found to have almost as much, if not as much, lifting power as hydrogen. In connection with the possible use of helium for dirigible uses in future, it is interesting to recall that Professor J. C. McLenan, of the University of Toronto, a former Stratfordite, while serving as technical adviser



It's after a vacation that the rest is needed.—Harding in the Brooklyn Eagle.

or to the British admiralty during the war, discovered huge quantities of this highly important gas in Canada, especially in the west.

While the dirigible may yet be an important means of transportation in the future, and while the air may within a few years be used on a large and ever increasing scale for all purposes of aviation, it is clear that there is still much to be done, both in construction and design, especially in the larger types of aerial machines, to insure a reasonable degree of safety.

TOO MANY SHIPS AFLOAT

LLOYD'S report on the existing merchant marine tonnage of the world at the end of the last fiscal year, June 30, 1921, gives support to the suggestion that in extending beyond the armistice the feverish ship building program intended to defeat the submarine, Japan, Great Britain and the United States overstepped themselves, and that in consequence the ocean carrying trade will be more hazardous and less remunerative than it ever was before the war.

The world's total tonnage is now 61,974,653 gross register, 15,480,000 gross tons. In the last seven years, therefore, the shipyards have built more than 26,000,000 gross tons of new ships, an annual average of 3,700,000 tons. A record like that, comments the New York Herald, has no precedent in marine history.

TAXING THE UNMARRIED

THE Georgia House of Representatives, composed perhaps of happily married men, has passed an act which levies a tax of \$5 a year on every person in the state who is past the age of 30 and unmarried. A bill to make the rate \$100 a year for bachelors and spinsters, and one for a tax of \$500 a year on all couples married three years and childless, were considered as going a bit too far.

A tax of \$5 a year is not likely to have an appreciable effect upon the number of marriages; the legislators probably adopted it as a good way to bring in revenue, while at the same time expressing their views on the desirability of marriage. Such ever, that with helium substituted for hydrogen, for inflation and lighting purposes, the danger of disaster would be greatly overcome. It was the explosion of the hydrogen, created by the breaking of one of the great steel girders, that apparently was responsible for the heavy loss of life in the tragic fate of the ZR-2. Helium is not inflammable where hydrogen is. Helium, too, is found to have almost as much, if not as much, lifting power as hydrogen. In connection with the possible use of helium for dirigible uses in future, it is interesting to recall that Professor J. C. McLenan, of the University of Toronto, a former Stratfordite, while serving as technical adviser

It will be interesting to note how the courts look upon this discrimination. A similar principle is a part of the Federal and some state income tax laws, since additional exemptions are granted to married persons and to parents. This is on the assumption that the married require greater incomes, and the Georgia measure might be defended on the same grounds.

Chief Chas. McConnell, of Byron Sanitarium Military Police, had his throat slashed by an Indian he was helping to arrest.

THE DAILY PAPER (Philadelphia Public Ledger.)

We miss the water when the well runs dry and we miss the daily paper when we are deprived of it, though we may have found various things to say in its disparage when it was readily procurable. The figures given out by the Census Bureau (as for 1919) show that it is difficult anywhere in the United States to miss a daily newspaper, that comes as an open letter from all the habitable globe to the reader, even when every other correspondent fails him.

The 2,433 daily papers sent out \$2,735,937 copies a day—enough to provide mental pabulum for a third of the whole population. In a year the total amounts to 11,270,569,316. Even to Harold Bell Wright, Zane Grey or Gene Stratton Porter that might seem a considerable sale.

The Sunday newspapers number nearly 600, and their combined circulation is nearly 26,000,000 weekly. In other words, Sunday papers number less than a quarter of the number of daily papers, yet nearly two-thirds as many copies. The sales of all newspapers aggregate about \$200,000,000 annually, and the advertisements bring in about twice as much. If it is a favorite fiction that advertisements control editorial policy and opinion—which is true only of an occasional journal—it is also a frequently cherished illusion that the reader who spends two cents in detaching the entire cost of publication. What other commodity on earth yields a return so large for an investment so little? What else can one purchase for two cents?

KING GEORGE'S PROPERTY (London Daily Express.)

The King's estates, which belong to the Duchy of Lancaster, are scattered over twenty-two English and Welsh counties. The most valuable portion, however, is that in the County of London, which has belonged to the Royal Family ever since 1280, when Queen Eleanor bought the Hospital of the Savoy from the monks and gave it to her second son Edmund, Earl of Lancaster. At the time of its demolition by Wat Tyler's followers the Savoy was called "the fairest manor in England." It still has its Court Leet, which sees that the boundary marks of the manor are kept in good order, a jury of sixteen being appointed for the purpose of beating the bounds once a year.

OUR DAILY SHORT STORY

Little Mabel: "Mamma, can our maid see in the dark?"
 Mamma: "Why, dear, what makes you ask such a question?"
 Little Mabel: "I heard her talking to papa in the dark hall, and she said he needed a shave."

A 3-year-old girl, with her parents, walked every step of the nine miles up the Barr Trail to the summit of Pike's Peak, Colo., 14,147 feet high.

OTHER EDITORS' OPINIONS

Excerpts from the press of Canada, Great Britain and from the leading papers elsewhere for "Ontario" Readers.
SELF-APPRECIATION.
 "Move up to the front, ladies, please. I know I am good looking and attractive, but you can't stay back here. Please, move forward," said a young conductor on a Yonge street car.—Toronto Telegram.

HARDLY RESPECTABLE.
 After the bootlegger is recognized as respectable, if that time ever comes, there'll be some probability of a framer giving a certificate of good character to the sheep-killing dogs in his neighborhood.—Toledo Blade.

WHEN DID ONTARIO GET IT?
 Now that Ontario will assist the United States in enforcing American laws, we can only hope that they will be better enforced. But when did the league of nations give Ontario a mandate for the United States?—Toronto Mail and Empire.

A LUCRATIVE PROFESSION.
 The bootlegging business is said to be founding many new fortunes in the United States. But, why not? Not a few millionaire families trace the origin of their wealth to the business conducted by ancestors with the Indians, in which firewater was a principal commodity of barter. And there were only a few Indians compared with the hundred million Americans now in the market.—Ottawa Journal.

POLITICAL PICNICS.
 Political picnics tend to become an institution in Ontario. The advantages are many.

Those who go to hear oratory prefer the woods to a hall. In the hall, the auditor may be penned up and forced to remain within hearing after his endurance has given out; in the woods, those who break down under the torrent of language can sneak off into the dark recesses of the forest where their groans pass unheard.—Toronto Telegram.

IN THE FRUIT BELLY.
 Corn at 15 cents a cob, tomatoes at 20 cents a dish, fruit, canned at that, 20 cents a dish; onions 20 cents a dish—it sounds more like prices they are charging in famine-stricken Russia than in a city in a land of plenty, and the centre of a famous garden and fruit belt. It is certainly anything but a good advertisement for the "garden of Canada." One controller suggested a ten per cent reduction. It is hoped the police commissioners will not be satisfied with that.—Hamilton Herald.

THEY HAVE YET TO LEARN.
 Since the farmers have manifested so much strength in Alberta, it is well that they are to have an opportunity of showing what they can do in handling the problems of government. They will find that much that they have been asking is unattainable, and that much else can only be achieved by measures the formation and execution of which will require time and patience. Some experimenting no doubt will be necessary before the farmers will fully realize that the work of government is not as easy as many of them have supposed it to be.—Montreal Journal of Commerce.

WORSHIP (Chicago Tribune.)
 Theodore Roosevelt's church creed was contained in nine pungent paragraphs. We quote as follows:
 "Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees or by a running brook, or in a man's own house, just as well as in a church. But I also know as a matter of cold facts that the average man does not thus worship.

"He may not hear a good sermon at the church. He will hear a sermon by a good man who, with his good wife, is engaged all the week in making hard lives a little easier.

"He will listen to and take part in reading some beautiful passages from the Bible. And if he is not familiar with the Bible he has suffered a loss.

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SLEEPING "OESOPHAGUS"

(Cleveland Plain Dealer)
 "It was a crisp and spicy morning in early October. The hills and mountains, lit with the glory-fires of autumn, hung brightly and flashing in the upper air. A fairy bridge provided by nature for the wingless wild things that have their homes in the treetops and would visit together; the larch and the pomegranate flung their purple and yellow flames in brilliant broad splashes along the gorgeous fragrance of innumerable deciduous flowers rose upon the swooning atmosphere, far in the empty sky a solitary oesophagus sloped upon motionless wings; everywhere brooded stillness, serenity and the peace of God."

A beautiful description, isn't it? It is from Mark Twain's "The Double-Barrelled Detective Story." Is there anything about that description that puzzles you? It puzzled countless readers, when it first appeared, and called forth a flood of inquiring letters.

At last we are told by Albert Bigelow Paine in his biography of Mark Twain, the letters grew so impeding in number, and were written by such an intelligent class of readers, that Mark Twain felt compelled to give the joke away. A college professor wrote:

"But what in hell is an oesophagus? I keep one myself but it never sleeps in the air or anywhere. My profession is to deal with words, and oesophagus interested me the moment I lighted on it. But, as a companion of my youth used to say: 'I'll be eternally so-externally cused' if I can make it out. Is it a joke or am I an ignoramus?"

In giving the joke away, Mark Twain wrote "in reply to a Springfield inquirer," after quoting the letter:

"Between you and me I was almost ashamed of having fooled that man, but for pride's sake I was not going to say so. I wrote and told him it was a joke."

But the oesophagus is not the only joke in that famous paragraph. There are several others.

This is only a sample of the delicious public "fooling" in which his "victims" as well as Mark Twain delighted. Another instance was the request for ante-mortem obituaries of himself, which appeared in Harper's Magazine. He offered a prize for the best—a portrait of himself drawn by his own hand.

As was to be expected, a flood of responses were received.

But there were two which gave Mark Twain the greatest delight. One was: "Got up; washed; went to bed." This was sent in by a woman, and with it came a charming little essay on the appropriateness of it, citing all the possibilities the six words hold.

The other was: "Mark Twain was the only man who ever lived, so far as we knew, whose lies were so innocent, and withal so helpful, as to make them worth more than a lot of fossilized, eternal truths."

HELPFUL SUPERVISION
 (Winnipeg Free Press.)
 Major John Barnett, chairman of the Soldier Settlement Board, has wisely taken the time to make an extensive personal investigation of the condition of the soldier settlers and the operation of the Board's organization in the different provinces. The Board not only lends men the money to secure their farms and equip them, but also provides supervision and counsel in order to help the men to succeed. This latter feature of the Board's work is a very important one just now. Supervisors are chosen in every locality where there are soldier settlers. They are men who are supposed to have practical knowledge of farming, they keep in constant touch with the settlers and are able to give them suggestions and advice of a very practical and helpful kind. Major Barnett has recently had conferences of these supervisors in the various provinces and he discussed with them the progress of the soldier settlers and the problems that arose in different localities.

NUMEROUS FOREST FIRES BURNING IN CAPE BRETON
 SYDNEY, C.B., Aug. 29.—Following the warm dry weather of the past ten days, numerous forest fires are reported from various parts of the island. Eight different fires are burning near Reserve, and another one on a front of two miles can be seen at Coxhead; three miles above Sydney.

WANTED
 The town of St. Mary's is putting down 1 2-3 miles of bitulithic pavement.

INFANT SON DIES
 John Hurst Harker, the two weeks old son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harker, died on Tuesday after a brief illness. The funeral took place this afternoon at Belleville cemetery, the Rev. Rural Dean Swartz officiating.

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE
 Sept. 15, on lot 2, con. 4, Rawdon. Farm Stock and Implements. Willmot H. Kingston, Owner. 81-2tw

St. James' Church, Perth, has purchased some land adjoining and will build a parish hall.

APPLES WANTED BY GRAHAMS LIMITED

Price for Wealthy, Alexander and Other Fall Varieties 50c PER BUSHEL
 crato delivered at Cold Storage, Belleville, Frankford Evaporator or Consecration Evaporator, hand picked and delivered in bushel crates just as they run on the tree with culls and rubbish out. No windfalls wanted except at the evaporators.

R. J. GRAHAM

IN THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM H. LINGHAM, DECEASED

All those who are indebted to the estate of William H. Lingham, late of the City of Belleville, and of the Village of Cannifton in the County of Hastings, are hereby notified that such accounts must be filed in full on or before the fifth day of September, 1921, to the undersigned. All accounts not arranged for by that date will be collected by legal process.

Dated this 11th day of August, 1921.
 Rachel Jane Lingham,
 Executrix of the Estate of W. H. Lingham, late of Alexander Street, Belleville, Ont.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN HIS MAJESTY'S SUBROGATE COURT OF THE COUNTY OF HASTINGS—In the matter of the estate of George W. Burgess late of the City of Belleville in the County of Hastings, Merchant deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Trustee Act, Sec. 56, Chap. 121, R.S.O. 1914, that all persons having claims against the estate of said George W. Burgess who died on or about the 14th day of July A.D. 1918, are requested to send by post prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned, collector for the Administrator of the said estate on or before Saturday the 13th day of August 1921, their names, addresses and descriptions and a full statement of particulars of their claims and the nature of the security, if any, held by them fully verified by statutory Declaration and sworn to by the said day the administrator will proceed to distribute the estate of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

DATED this 18th day of July A.D. 1921.
 W. C. MIKEL,
 28 Bridge St. E., Belleville. Solicitor for Bridie Burgess, Administrator.

FOR SALE

125 ACRES, part lots 13 and 14, second concession of Tyendinaga, Well watered, good buildings, conveniently located, 25 acres wooded, balance work land. Will sell reasonably. Apply N. Thompson, 231 Charles St., Belleville. A28-54-1tw

CHICKEN MADE AT W. R. VANDERKAM, near Ross of Tyendinaga, Wednesday and Friday. Orders taken at Phone 288 ring 4. A26-51tw

15 ACRES GOOD WORK LAND, LOT 15, concession 3, Tyendinaga, good frame house, nearly new, basement barn, good drive house, hen house, road from church and school, convenient to school 5 miles from Stirling. Telephone and Rural Mail. For further particulars apply Mrs. Jacob Sine, Harold R. R. 1, or Geo. B. Frange, Stirling P.O. A28-54-2tw

ONE HUNDRED ACRES, LOT 12 Con. 3, Tyendinaga, eighty acres good work land, balance woods and pasture. Good buildings, half mile from Melrose church and school. Rural mail. Apply R. Badgley, Shannonville, R. R. 1. A25-4tw

FARM FOR SALE
 THE late Robert Coulter farm, west half lot 23, 100 acres and part northeast quarter lot 18, 49 1/2 acres, concession 1, Hungerford, must be sold to close estate. Cheeses, 1200 bushels of wheat, 1200 bushels of corn and school within a mile. Good barn, dwelling, sugar bush, running spring and well. The part on lot 18 mostly in valuable timber and may be sold separately from other lot. Apply John T. Coulter, Administrator, R. R. No. 1, Roslin, or W. C. Mikel, K. C., Belleville. A26-51tw

100 ACRE LOT 29, FOURTH CON. Thurlow, 75 acres under cultivation, pasture, new house, 12 outbuildings, close to church and school. Telephone in house, apply on premises to Mertley Wincover or Corbyville, Ont. R. M. D. A20-42tw

BARN FOR SALE, SIZE 36x50. Timber in barn nearly all, rock bottom, all good inch lumber on siding. Steel roofing on south half. Nathan Reid, Ivanhoe, Ont. 2tw

188 ACRES, LOT 12, CON. 4, TYENDINAGA. Two sets buildings, hard and soft wood. Twelve miles from Belleville on County Road. Robert McMechan, R. R. No. 1, Corbyville. M18-12tw

FARMS WANTED

As I have several inquiring buyers for farms near Belleville, parties wishing to sell please write me. I will come to your home and arrange. Have several choice farms in Prince Edward and Northumberland Counties, ranging from 10 to 300 acres. I have a 10 acre lot 2 1/2 miles from Belleville with good buildings. Possession any-time. Write Norman Montgomery, Auctioneer, Brighton, Ont. Box 180, Phone 191. —J18-24 1twforim

WANTED
 LADIES WANTED—TO DO PLAIN and Light Sewing at home; whole or spare time; good pay; work sent any distance; charges low. Send stamp for particulars, National Manufacturing Co., Montreal. A18-518-4tw

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 Sept. 15, on lot 2, con. 4, Rawdon. Farm Stock and Implements. Willmot H. Kingston, Owner. 81-2tw

SNAPPY GINGER SNAP SEASON HERE AGAIN

Saturday specials
 Snappy Ginger Snaps, reg price 35c lb., Saturday special price:
 ONE pound29c
 TWO pounds55c
 Chocolates, 8 or 10 flavors, reg. price 60c lb., Saturday special price,
 ONE pound44c
 TWO pounds85c
 Get your Chocolates Saturday for Labor Day.

CHAS. S. CLAPP

Farmers "Attention"
 Good Sound Cotton Grain Bags at less than cost
 35c EACH

Bishop's Seed Store

172 Front St.

ALBURY.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allison, Sr., called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dempsey Tuesday evening.
 Mrs. Rita Brickman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. Rose.
 Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Dempsey spent Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. Wilson.
 Dr. and Mrs. Hanley and Ruth, Miss M. Potter and Miss Marion Allison motored to the Sandbanks on Saturday.
 Miss Hazel Plews of Smithfield is visiting her friend, Miss Olive Peck.
 Mrs. Wm. Mitts and Mildred spent the week-end with Mrs. R. Underdonk.
 Mr. Harry Peck spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Weese.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dempsey called at E. Weese's Sunday afternoon.
 Mr. and Mrs. John Weese spent Sunday at Madoc.

HILLIER

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and daughter Olive were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hubbs on Friday.
 The ball game between Consequa and West Lake was won by Consequa 9 to 4. It was a real lively game.
 Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hayes, of Consequa, have moved into Mr. Arthur Alexander's home, Hillier.
 Mr. MacVannell's picture show was well attended and gave some good ideas for the housewife.
 Miss Kathleen Jones has returned home after having been camping with the Grl Guides.
 Miss Cleo Woolf spent a day last week with her sister, Mrs. Charlie Benway.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hubbs and Little Muriel spent Monday with Mrs. Nelson Palmer.
 Miss Margaret Steen spent Sunday with Miss Cleo Woolf.

MISS MARY WILSON

The obsequies of the late Miss Mary A. Wilson took place from the home of Mr. William Clark, on Tuesday afternoon, the Rev. Mr. Farnsworth conducting the last sad rites. Burial was made in the Elmwood Cemetery at Corbyville. The bearers were William Casey, Marshall Bradshaw, R. Ketchepaw, E. W. Brown and G. Hamilton.

Wm. Robertson, who resides on a farm near Amherstburg, was attacked by a bull and hung on to the ring in its nose for an hour until the animal was driven away by a neighbor with a pitchfork.

HERE FOR BURIAL

The death occurred in Kingston on Tuesday of Mrs. Alex. Fraser. The body will be brought to this city for burial. Mrs. Fraser left Belleville some time ago after having lived here the greater part of her life.

SUCCEEDS MR. BUCHANAN.

At a meeting of the Boys' Work Board held at the Y.M.C.A. last evening, Mr. Howard Clarke was appointed secretary of the board in succession to Mr. Angus Buchanan, who is leaving for Hamilton.

GRAND TRUNK IS OUT OF WALL STREET JOURNAL

"Guerrillas" Who Big Losses
 NO REDRESS FOR Mexico Not Nearly So Suffer

NEW YORK, Aug. 31 (Press).—"America may be softer on the same Mexican," says the Wall Street Journal, "but in dollars and cents, it appears to work out about when the present state of affairs is compared with the Canadian Government investment below the St. Lawrence River."
 "The Dominion owns the Grand Trunk and has resolved to acquire the stock of the Grand Trunk, through will control, through ship or lease, subsidiary these two companies a States aggregating about of railroad. Unfort mileage is doing a little the rest of the American

"As the result of the red great losses in the south and has entered damages, but it is doubt they are greater than that by the Dominion try, as the result of men

"When it is represented Obregon and Mont wearing serapes and montanga, have burned up a erty belonging to the friendly nation, that that political guerrillas, away frocks and sitting chairs, have dried up power of railway proper to the Government of a tion.

"Whenever Villa order boy shot at sunrise, the cific, after assuaging its grief, could hire another lot rate. When McAden an office boy as an el cause the youngster tun lights before going home the Grand Trunk beam and his grief inconsolable

"When the Yaquis ap to the bridge" on the 5 fice of Mexico, the comp was able to withdraw when the Democrats p under the income of Trunk, the company w meet the deficit.

"There is no precedent tional law whereby re be claimed for losses gr a national brainstorm were, we might as well ment in favor of the Canada."

News About Po and Socia

Mr. R. J. Wray motu ston today.
 Mr. C. Frank Dale, lan and Franklin, of M the week end in the cit atives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt S ily, have returned to holidaying in Cobourg two weeks.

Mrs. (Col.) Lazier, the Ladies' Bowling C parted four rinks of from Belleville to Nap return game is being p ternoon. They motore number of friends acco players.

At Mr. Gorsline's H street, members of H Church Ladies' Aid an Class gave a farewell re and Mrs. Chas. Peare Pearce, who are leaving take up residence in V Mrs. E. Masten read and Mrs. Priory presen Mrs. Pearce with a spoons. Mr. Pearce rep by vein. Miss Pearce al contributed solos. Light were served and the con ed after singing "Blest binds."

Last evening the ho Reeves, Brock St., was a very interesting gat the employees of the Hat Co., held an t roast." This event wa be held on Zwick's Isla the high wind the p to avoid any fires th decided to hold the a The party went off s the corn was just as if it had been eaten varied musical program