

## ALL IN THE FAMILY



Sarah Child

A little girl taking part in a mock presidential debate held at her school shortly before the real election delivered what I thought was a winning answer.

To the question of what would she do to solve the problem of unemployment she had a ready solution: She'd ban it!

The charm and simplicity of her answer set me thinking what decrees I would set forth should I wake up some morning and find myself in the White House.

Unlike one politician who said if it happened to him he'd apologize to the First Lady and go home, I'd order any number of changes in the land.

First of all I'd limit winter to December and January and decree that hence forth February should be a month of crocuses and return of the Canada geese. March through

November would range in temperature from 65 to 85, and rain as in Camelot, would be allowed to fall only from sundown until sunup.

It goes without saying of course that disease, pestilence and other such scourges would be forever more banished. Going one step further depression, gloom and gray skies would not be tolerated. Thinkers of negative thoughts would be caused to write graffiti style, "I will, I must, I can" on the backs of their hands and bottoms of their feet as constructive reminders of the power of positive thinking. Blue Mondays would change hue and henceforth be known as Rosy. As president I would decree that all American cities should emulate the charm, diversity and cleanliness of Toronto.

Politicians would be limited as to the number of promises they could make to constituents and all such promises must be written rather than spoken so as not to wear out the nation's eardrums.

Scientists would be put to work to come up with a scent akin to a fine French perfume to replace the stink now emanating from the treatment plants.

Ice cream shops would be a must at every other corner on all American streets. The remaining corners would feature old fashioned bakeries with white ruffled curtains framing plate glass windows and trays of gingerbread men and sugar cookies on display to gladden the hearts of children of all ages on their way to work and school.

Chemists not working on treatment plant perfumes would be set to work producing calorie-less bread, potatoes, pasta and sweets.

Trees and grass would be planted across the nation and every city dweller would be able to look out of his abode and see green living things.

Mass transportation would be clean, safe, cheap and speedy and walking would become the national sport. All libraries would be open Sundays and the three-day work week would go into immediate effect.

And finally all workers with routine, monotonous, repetitive but necessary jobs such as housework, assembly lines, etc., would get every other week off to regenerate their spirits and refresh their souls.

## BLUE ARMY ELECTS

The Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima last week announced its recent election of officers. Father Robert Meng is spiritual director of the group. Mary Kelly and Thelma Cutler are first and second delegates. Carol Leary, treasurer, and Barbara Davis, secretary. The local unit sponsors monthly vigils of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, encourages Marian devotion, and is active in promoting prayer for the conversion of Russia.

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## GKC Society Sets Meeting

The Rochester Chesterton Society will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, at Conference Room B of the Otto A. Shults Community Center at Nazareth College.

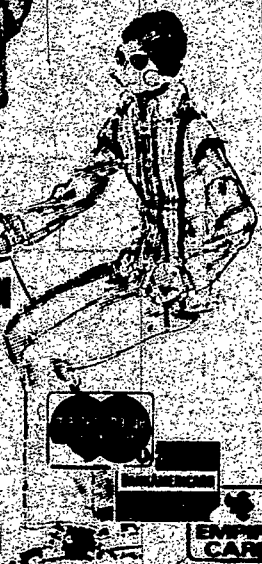
Chesterton Angry and Funny, a brief selection of GKC's serious and by contrast humorous poems will be read.

Distributism Past and Present will be the topic of a presentation by Peter Durant and Milton Fess, followed by a discussion.

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