

Tax Reform Still Alive; Quiz Candidates

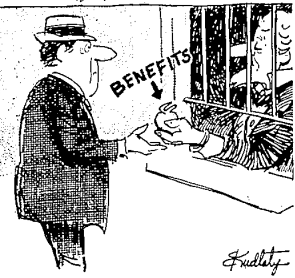
EDITOR:
The campaign to replace the property tax on homes with a tax on income seems to be making reasonable progress. At least one gubernatorial candidate has come out in support of a tax reform which includes the elimination of property taxes on homes.

Perhaps all candidates for public office should be encouraged to make a clear and concise statement on how they stand on this important matter which is no longer an issue to be ignored by either the Democrats or the Republicans.

The Observer-Newsletters should be commended for keeping this issue alive for so long. Home ownership as a result may again become a pleasure instead of a burden.

STANLEY L. GLAMB
Westland

The Law of Diminishing Returns



City Land Used Free

EDITOR:
With absolutely no thanks to the mayor of Livonia or to the superintendent of parks, the construction company who occupied the park at Six Mile and Hubbard, rent-free, is finally vacating the city property.

The parks superintendent knew, from the moment they moved the field-office into the park, but did absolutely nothing to prevent the ugly mess which was to follow for the next four months — a shameful trust of public lands!

My letter of April 13 to the mayor asking for an investigation of the situation in the park and the magnitude of its operations also went unheeded. For a mayor who wants to cut costs and increase revenues, he sure missed out on a good chance on his first Monday in office!

Even the Police Department was apparently hoodwinked into believing the construction company had permission to use the park for private business and refused to evict them.

When a construction company occupies a park, rent-free, it is only for additional profit, an amount not reflected in the bid for Livonia Drain No. 12 and other jobs. To me, this additional profit is due the city, especially since bidders were not given use (free or otherwise) of city property from which to conduct their business.

When the Livonia city administration comes to passing the buck, it's a shame it has to be the taxpayers' buck!

ALFRED D. YOUNG
Livonia

Killing With A Broad Grin

EDITOR:
Does Jack Selle really expect congratulations for his "great feat" as a big game hunter? ("Big Game Hunter Bags Biggest," Plymouth, July 4-5)

I hope and pray that the ambitions of my generation are of more benefit to the world than of the generation that produced a man like Mr. Selle.

How can anyone have a life's ambition of killing a leopard? It's like finding the last dinosaur left in the world and then killing it, for leeks or for a "broad grin of satisfaction."

As the Observer pointed out, Africa is the last wild animal stand left in the world. All of our efforts should be to preserve, not to destroy it. Thank God for the genera-

READERS' FORUM

Letters must be limited to 300 words. Letters must be signed, with the writer's address. Names will be withheld only at the writer's request and for good cause. Please type or write plainly. The editor reserves the right to reject unsuitable letters.

The Cinema at Livonia Mall treats its customers much like cattle. I am a widow with two young children. I accompany my children and stay with them through the movie. We go as early as possible to purchase our tickets and take advantage of the matinee rates, sometimes standing in

line for one hour before the tickets go on sale and usually among the first 10 customers. Once the tickets are purchased you can enter the lobby for at least another half-hour wait. These situations I anticipate.

Each time I and the earlier customers line up where the ticket box attendant would normally take the tickets, we are ignored completely. At the time you are allowed to enter the theater and select a seat an usher comes up and removes the box, places it in a different location, utterly at random, and "herds" the customers in complete chaos.

In my circumstances I perform my own duties like a man. It hurts my dignity to add animal behavior to the list.

MRS. L.K. Redford Township

Questions On Sexuality

EDITOR:
As a lifelong resident of Farmington, I have always had an active and deep concern for anything that benefits the community as a whole.

On June 22, attending our local school board meeting, I was both shocked and disgusted when the six voting members of the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the committee on "Human Sexuality" and will consider implementing it into our fall schedule.

The meeting was attended by many concerned parents, who voiced their objections. Many excellent points were made and certainly worthy of discussion.

As parents, and taxpayers, who unfortunately elected this board, we do have our right to be heard and represented by these men. It was evident by their indifferent, closed-minded attitude, that this was not the case that night. I think we parents do have a right to the following answers concerning this course!

1. Who will take the responsibility for any teacher who

does not follow the guidelines?

2. What are the alternate courses being planned for children whose parents object to their taking this course?

3. Concerning subject, self-abuse (introduced sixth grade level), what assurance does a parent, of a religion that teaches voluntary self-abuse is morally wrong, have that the teacher will not reflect the opinion of the members of the committee who recommended this course?

4. Has the Board of Education even an approximate figure regarding the cost to implement this course?

Parents who care about their community, their church and their country have not permitted this course to be brought into their schools — Livonia, Dearborn, and Grosse Pointe, so far have fought successfully to keep it out.

Let's join these dedicated groups of citizens who want their community a better place to live.

ELIZABETH BRENNAN
Farmington

Area Deaths

GERHART KRUMER, Funeral services for Mr. Krumer, 72 of 495 Riverside, Plymouth were held at the "Hearder" Funeral Home with Rev. Henry Walsh officiating. Burial was in Grant-499 Cemetery, Holland.

EDITH MANGRAM, Mrs. Edith Mangram, 81 of 3773 Highland, Farmington died July 5 after an extended illness. Services were held in St. Charles Catholic Church, Farmington with Rev. Charles J. Malloy officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Mrs. Mangram is survived by her husband, Charles, a son, Alfred N. of Livonia, a daughter, Charlene B. of Dearborn, three granddaughters, Helen, Frances and Barbara, and a brother, William, of Dearborn. Mrs. Mangram was born in Wisconsin, and her husband, Charles, was born in Michigan.

BABY JEFFREY PHILIP HUYCK, Burial services for Jeffrey, the two-month-old son of Mrs. and Mr. Paul W. Huyck, 1488 Sheridan Ave., Plymouth were held recently in St. Benedict's Cemetery, Dearborn.

Jeffrey died July 12 in University Hospital, Ann Arbor.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Paul and Dan, two sisters, Sharon and Jill, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wendel Huyck and Mrs. Leo Mackowski.

DONALD R. CUNIC, Funeral services for Mr. Cunic, 31 of Noren, California, were held recently in the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. Henry J. Walsh of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Cunic died July 9 in Denver, Colo.

Survivors include his father, Mr. Lawrence Cunic of Royal Oak; his mother, Mrs. Cynthia Porterfield of South Lyon.

HENRY C. KOLBE, Funeral arrangements for Mr. Kolbe, 46 of 4550 Reservoir Road, Plymouth Township, were handled by the Schrader Funeral Home and Woodmen Crematorium.

Dr. Kolbe, a music teacher at Schoolcraft College, died July 5. He served as a night school music instructor at the community college since its beginning, and as an assistant to Schoolcraft music director Wayne S. Dunlap.

Mr. Bauman died suddenly July 7. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; a daughter, Judy; a brother, William of Plymouth Township; Mrs. Jeanette Sawyer of Plymouth and Mrs. Norma Jean Sawyer.

SALVIE M. PERRY, Funeral services for Mrs. Perry, 2227 West Main Road in Livonia were held at the R. G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia July 13. Rev. Van Amburgh of St. John Catholic Church officiated. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs. Perry died July 2 at University Hospital after an extended illness. She was a member of St. John Catholic Church, Livonia. She had lived in Livonia for nine years.

Mrs. Perry is survived by a nephew, Lawrence E. Yaker.

GEORGE G. HUBER, Services for Mr. Huber, of 2100 Grandwell, Westland were held Monday afternoon, July 13 at the R. G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home, Garden City, with Rev. George Fleischer, of Timothy Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial was in Catholic Memorial Gardens, West.

Mr. Huber died Friday, July 10 in an Annapolis Hospital. He was the age of 81. A native of Illinois, Mr. Huber was a leader for trading company before retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, three sons, Raymond, Harry, and John, three daughters, Mrs. Pauline Marmer, Mrs. Betty Moe, and Mrs. Mary Klug, and 20 grandchildren.

AUGUSTA SUTHERLAND, Funeral services for Mrs. Sutherland, 92 of 1285 Main St., Plymouth were held July 13 in the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Ronald Cui of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs. Sutherland died July 13 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. She came to Plymouth 89 years ago from Germany and was a member of the First Methodist Church.

She is survived by one son, Donald Sutherland of Plymouth, four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

RAYMOND F. DEJA, Funeral services for Raymond F. Deja, 37, 1075 Shady side in Livonia, were held at the R. G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia July 10. Rev. Benjamin Bohack officiated. Burial was at the Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Deja died July 7 at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia after a short illness. A lifelong resident of Plymouth, he came to Livonia nine years ago. He was employed as a machine operator for Evans Products, and was a member of DeSore's United Methodist Church.

Mr. Deja is survived by his wife, Irene, a daughter, Mrs. Vera (Honey) DeJager of Water, Mrs. Edward Vester, and two grandchildren.

3 Counselors Added At Schoolcraft

Three new counselors joined the Schoolcraft staff July 1, bringing to 11 the number serving in this department.

They are Mrs. Patricia Frecura of Dearborn Heights, previously a counselor with the Garden City Public Schools; Ronald Hogowski, of Ypsilanti, who comes from a similar post at the Lake County Community College, Ill. and Richard Tomalty, of 18700 Jamestown Circle, Northville, who was director of public school guidance at Falls Church, Virginia.

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NBD Income Goes Up 5%

Net income of National Bank of Detroit for the first six months ending June 30 came to \$16,855,975, or \$2.81 a share, compared to \$16,046,174, or \$2.57 a share, for the same period last year. This was an increase of 5%.

Total capital funds of the bank were \$330,179,000 on June 30, reflecting an increase of \$21,053,461 for the last 12 months.

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