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Plenty of Fireworks . . .

broke loose this 4th of July holiday. Fireworks just a little different than those usually associated with Independence Day. They exploded in the same loud, colorful manner, but with a far greater effect upon the people of Michigan than the normal crack of a torpedo or hiss of a sky rocket.

Out of the flashes following the blasts, the voters of Michigan caught a glance of the slate of state officers they would vote for in November. Both the Republicans in Detroit and the Democrats in Lansing left plenty of smoke and confusion behind them when they left their respective Convention halls.

Between now and November the voters of Michigan have got to dodge the smoke in an effort to determine what Party, which candidates, are best qualified to handle the job. It is not an easy task if voters are to intelligently and sincerely analyze the problem.

Both Parties have emerged with complete State tickets, nominated by the majority of the delegates to the two State Conventions. It is now the duty of both Parties to work for a clear, straight-forward campaign of information, for the purpose of informing the public. Cross-purposes, inter-party feuds and bickering only further confuse the voter; who in the final count, elects the candidates.

The voter is entitled to facts — facts about the candidates, their background, their experience, their ideas. This is a Party function. Mud slinging, tearing down the other fellow, wild accusations, only disgust the intelligent voter and they do not tell anything.

There is a big job ahead — electing public officials is not child's play. It deserves the careful, conscientious study of every voter. It can be accomplished just one way — by Parties, by individual candidates stating facts — clear, honest, straight-forward facts.

It's clear cut government — it's real statesmanship.

Just A Few . . .

unfortunately, can spoil a good thing. That seems to be the situation in regards to the death of the O.P.A.

The majority of the people are anxious to co-operate in making individual responsibility permanent. However, a few individuals who fail to recognize their responsibilities, can stunt any progress towards private initiative.

Reams of letters and telegrams have poured in to Washington, telling of wild inflationary schemes. Municipalities and states throughout the nation, have been forced to curb, by law, irresponsible individuals.

These few have proven that some control, in part at least, is necessary. It is indeed unfortunate that we, as a nation, have citizens who have as little apparent regard for others.

In spite of these few, the majority of the people, are holding the line. In this majority lies the hope of progress and advancement. Their reward will be the respect of their community, of their fellowmen and the satisfaction of doing the right thing.



The second phase of our post-war period is now well under way. First came the Truman administration program whereby high purchasing power was to be maintained by a substantial increase in workers' wages.

It has been the thesis of left-wingers, as illustrated by views of the Michigan C.I.O., that the nation could not attain full employment and full production unless the wages of labor were raised to offset a \$50 BILLION decline in war orders.

August Scholle, president of the Michigan C.I.O. council, declared in a talk at Michigan State College that wages must be increased or another depression was inevitable. Furthermore, he declared that any increase in wages must come out of profits and not be added to prices.

If prices were increased, said Scholle, then purchasing power would remain the same or go down instead of up. Yes, the employer must absorb any extra labor cost from his profits, according to Scholle. If he did not do so, the responsibility for another depression was his.

Thus the C.I.O. neatly sidesteps the issue of economics. . . . That wages could not be raised without prices being raised was the inevitable and logical fact, recognized by the O.P.A. when it granted two price increases to Michigan automobile manufacturers.

Now comes the unexpected end of the O.P.A., at least temporarily. Prices are going up. Just as wages have gone up. There is no possible alternative. Instead of purchasing power being increased, the result will be just the opposite: A decline in purchasing power.

A recent statistical study based on government figures, showed that the automobile worker's average salary of \$2,718 in 1945 was actually worth only \$2,011 on a basis of 1939 prices. If prices go up 10 per cent in 1946 — and this is certain according to present indications — then the worker's purchasing power will be further deflated to \$1,977 — only some \$360 more than he received in 1939! . . .

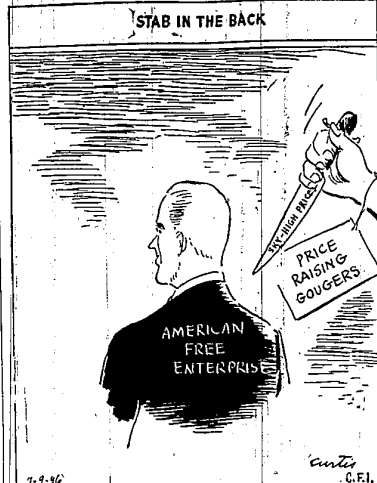
The post-war inflation is bound to aggravate labor unrest. That means more strikes are ahead, UNLESS production of goods can be vastly increased and the spiraling of prices can be checked.

Wages and salary income in 1946 were at a \$50 billion dollar rate; today, 102 billions "Easy money" reckless spending provokes. Winthrop V. W. Alcock, chairman of the board of directors, Chase National Bank, recently warned: "The stage is set for ultimate deflation and depression. We are living in an ILLUSION of prosperity and wealth."

Now is a time for SAVING, not spending. . . . As inflation continues — and each appears to be ahead for 1946 — the left wingers, as represented by C.I.O., will turn to another position.

White: Reuther has allied to it only indirectly. It is simply this: Only through nationalization of industry can full employment be achieved.

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Washington Digest

Know Your Congressman To Make Democracy Work

By BAUKHAUSE
News Analyst and Commentator

The time of the singing of canaries has come, and the voice of the mock-turtle is heard in the land. The representatives of the people are about to assure you that you have been well-represented, and that they would like to continue to do the representing.

And who are you to say, if you don't know exactly how well your representatives in the house of representatives or in the senate have carried out your interests? Issues are being joined, there are sharp cleavages of thought these days. And if you don't take the trouble to vote for the men in congress who are voting the way you want them to, you have no right to lambast congress. True, it does take some trouble to learn to read your congressman's record correctly. A simple statement by X bill (the one you wanted passed) doesn't mean too much.

A number of garrulous organizations are out to tell you how to read the lawmaker's records. One organization is the National Citizens' Political Action Committee which reminds voters: "A favorite device of congressmen is to vote for a series of mangling amendments, or to procrastinate with investigations or recommendations. Then, having partially or completely wrecked the usefulness of a bill, they may vote for the final version. Don't take these votes at face value."

In other words, don't be satisfied with the record of your congressman. See how your congressman voted on the amendments. The N.C.P.A.C. literature concludes: "With a warning that any voter, whatever side he is on, may well take to heart: 'When your congressman promises in their forthcoming campaigns, check their past voting records very carefully. Don't take it for granted that if they voted for a measure, they were for it, and fought for it. Perhaps they helped cripple it first.' DISGUISE ENMITY TO LEGISLATION."

That is true, and with a little

investigation, you will learn that a lot of congressmen, whose real views and activities you really have been voting in favor of some of the bills you would like to see passed. Later, when he is soliciting your support, he will point with pride to these measures, omitting to mention the fact that he helped to emasculate them carefully before hand.

You will also find sometimes that although he has loudly shouted a doxy bill (which you didn't like, and secretly, he did), he did not actually work against it. Perhaps, finally, he even voted for it if there was no roll call. Another way in which a congressman can fool his constituents is to offer an amendment which appeals to his particular locality, but which he knows can't possibly go through. That appears to be the case with a senator at the same time, doesn't hurt the congressman with the particular interests with whom he may be friendly. They know, as well as he, that the whole thing is just a pious gesture.

KILL BILL WITH RECOMMENDATION The vote to "recommit" is a favorite trick, and usually reveals the true sentiments of a senator or congressman. Not much attention is paid to these votes. When a bill is "recommended," it is sent back to committee, supposedly for reconsideration. Actually, recommitment usually means the measure is pigeonholed forever. On the other hand, when a powerful committee pigeonholes a bill you would like to see passed, it is all there, if you care to take the trouble to get it out, you can be pretty certain he is sincerely working to get it through. Of course, what goes around comes around. If you care to take the trouble to get it, reports of public hearings, as well as the record of what happens on house and senate floors, are available for the asking. That is a part of your congressman's job — reporting to you. As Lowell Mellett says in his "Handbook of Politics": "The true test of a member of congress is not the good bills for which he voted, but the good bills he voted against — plus the number of bad bills he voted for." Nobody can ever take democracy away from you — you have to give it away, by default. And such "defaulting" is no zero occurrence. Within the last few months, I know of four congressmen who have discovered there was a Communist in their midst. Furthermore, that Communist, using

Churches

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
"The Church on the Park"
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor
Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist
Morning Worship service, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

OUR INVITATION
I love to come to this still place, Where deeper peace is always found, To kneel as though on holy ground, And feel my Master face to face. Do not know how I could live If there were not this refuge sweet Where I could linger at His feet And He to me would bending give.

WELCOME
WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. J. H. Sandercock, Pastor
Evangelist B. Farnum

SUNDAY
10 a.m., Bible School, all ages; 11:15 a.m., Morning Worship. A series of messages on the present world conditions, as seen in how God is working out his plan in this world.

WEDNESDAY
8 p.m., Prayer and Praise Service.

FRIDAY
10:11 a.m., Radio Glee Club (high school girls and boys). 1:30-3:00 p.m., Missionary meet. Services are held in the Church Building, 33211 W. Seven Mile Road.

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m., Sunday School for third grade and above. 11:00 a.m., Sunday School for Nursery through Second Grade. 12:00 a.m., Morning Worship. Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m. Sunday.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal at the church.

FIRST BAPTIST
"The Friendly Church"
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Communion will be observed on the third Sunday of the month. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Ray McLaughlin, Assistant of the North Wayne Community Church, North Wayne Housing Area. Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Classes for every age group. Junior and Senior Youth Groups at 6:30 p.m. The Senior service will be in the form of an informal Parsonage Meeting. Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Ray McLaughlin, speaker. Monday, Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Mid-Week Service at 8:00 p.m. Friday, Choir Rehearsal at 7:15 p.m.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
William Grace School
Rev. Orville J. Wisdell, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
E. L. Stumpfling, Pastor

Divine worship at 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Bible class at 9:30 a.m. Classes for children and young people of all ages. The Nationwide Lutheran Hour broadcast every Sunday. Tune in OKLW at 1:30 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Rev. Thomas P. Behan, Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30. Masses on Holy Days at 5:30, 8:00, 9:00 and 12:30. Daily Masses at 8:15 and 8:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan
Elmer A. Johns, Pastor

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m. the pastor preaching. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Evening worship at 7:30 p.m. Mid-Week prayer service on Wednesday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Novi, Michigan
M. J. Remmel, Pastor

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 12 p.m. Youth Fellowship. 8:00 p.m. Gospel Service. Wednesday evening prayer meeting, 8:00 p.m. at the church.

his own energy, and taking advantage of the indifference of other members, had gained a preposition in the group. As soon as the rest woke up and realized the real purpose of measures taken under what amounted to this man's minority rule they threw

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (July 22, 1921)

Northville Celebrates The Fourth Many people spent Independence Day at Northville and Farmington had its quota there. With their usual sportsiveness Northville had arranged many interesting events for the day, including ball games, horse races and innumerable races and sports for the youngsters.

Boy Scouts Enjoy Camp Scout Master Williams announced today that the Boy Scouts who are attending the huge camp on the Marquette farm in New Hudson are having a very good time and with the aid of older scouts are learning many new things.

Bertram Groves Given Military Burial People from all walks of life turned out to do honor to the memory of Bertram Groves, soldier of the World War and former prominent Farmington Township resident, on Saturday afternoon. The ritual rites were read and military burial given the young man who was killed in the Chateau Thierry sector at the second battle of the Marne at the Aisne-Marne offensive.

TEEN YEARS AGO (July 23, 1936)

Four Dead, Nine Hurt, in Wrecks "The lighter the traffic, the deadlier the accident" is the traffic policeman's motto, which was tragically borne out during the past week end when four persons were killed and nine were seriously injured, possibly fatally, in the area patrolled by Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt.

To End Death Spots Elimination of most of the hazard and inconvenience at two dangerous spots along Grand River was expected shortly following a visit to Farmington of State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner. The situation to be accorded modern safety treatment are the intersection of Grand River with the east end of the Cut-off, and the Grand River Middle Belt crossing.

Firemen Battling Blaze 4 Hours One of the longest firefighting battles in the Farmington area began at four o'clock Sunday morning in the barn on the C. E. Sorenson farm, 35100 Grand River, and was not ended until noon, eight hours later. The fire was caused by spontaneous combustion, due to the greenness of the newly-stored hay and the high temperature of the recent hot spell. Over 120 tons of hay were stored in the barn.

FIVE YEARS AGO (July 10, 1941)

Police Car is Purchased In an effort to bring adequate police protection to Farmington the city commission has just purchased and put in operation a new police car. This follows the appointment, the first of July, of Charles Kowal, skil as chief of police for the city of Farmington.

Many Grass Fires Reported The Farmington Fire Department has been unusually busy this week. Since the grass fire season this spring, there have been four calls, three of them being in the city.

Girls Spend Vacation at Camp Living on the banks of Davis Lake in the midst of pine and birch trees in the vacation several Farmington girls are enjoying. They're spending several weeks at Camp Sherwood four miles from Lapeer, sponsored by the Girl Scouts.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Greep, Minister
Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship "Essential Knowledge", 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service "Expositions in Theologicals", 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON
A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts
Lesson Subject "SACRAMENT"

SUNDAY SERVICES
At 11:00 A. M. And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p.m. at First Methodist Church

Christian Science Literature Available at 21040 ONTARIO Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evening. ALL ARE WELCOME

"Sacrament" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, July 14. The Golden Text (I Cor. 10:16) is: "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?" Among the Bible citations is this passage (Galatians 3:26,27): "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following:

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Farmington, Michigan

BITS OF THIS AND THAT

By ELMER T. FOCKLEINGTON

THE ATOMIC BOMB

The world has struggled upward Through the ages that have passed And has built a civilization That we fondly hoped would last.

To protect our way of living Science loosed unmeasured power; Though it stopped the instant struggle It may mark our zero hour.

Soon the knowledge we've assembled,— That has helped to win this fight, May undo the work of ages In a single day or night.

Now the men who split the atom Owe the world some new defense From this monster who has neither Heart nor conscience, mind nor sense.

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