



NAZI PARTY MEMBER Russell Roberts of Farmington (left) is led from his home on Grand River shortly after his arrest Monday morning on a charge of violating the state criminal libel law. Farmington city police arrested him after anti-Nazi literature was allegedly circulated by him.

Offers Dinners at 1940 Prices

Pen-Mar Joins Livonian in 25th Birthday Fete

How do prices compare with those of 25 years ago? Those who like good food will be able to get the answers first hand during the period of Feb. 22 to Feb. 28 when the Pen-Mar Cafe, 31735 Plymouth Road, Livonia, helps the Livonian celebrate its 25th anniversary.

The Livonian was the first of the Observer Newspapers and first went out to Livonians 23 years ago. And one of its advertisers, still in business in Livonia, was Pen-Mar Cafe.

Owners Pete Cipriano and Hugh Gedrich decided to join in the Livonian's celebration of its silver anniversary by offering meals at the same prices as when they advertised back on Feb. 28, 1940.

So for the period between Feb. 22 and Feb. 28, the Pen-Mar management will offer roast, lake veal cutlets, lake trout, spaghetti and ravioli at the bargain prices of 1940. The meals will be served daily during that time from noon through 5 p.m.

"We have the same chef as Pen-Mar had 25 years ago," said the co-owners. "And we decided to see how those who enjoy eating out would like to sit down to a meal of that time at the prices of 1940."

Chef Val Berutti, of 11409 Melrose, Livonia, was co-owner of the popular eating place at that time. Since then, he and his partner, Charlie Baglini, sold out their interests but Val remained as chef cook.

And that's the role he'll have during the seven-days of bargain meals.

It won't be hard for Val to prepare the same meals now as he did then—he's been doing it during the intervening 15 years and enjoying every minute of the work.

Val likes to gaze back at 1940 and even before that when he and Charlie first bought the Pen-Mar. There was little business located in the section at that time even though Sheldon Realty Co. was in the midst of developing Rosedale Park into the huge subdivision it now is.

Matter of fact, Val recalls that the Pen-Mar would cost 10 times more today than it did then. He and Charlie purchased the land that is now the parking lot for next to nothing and saw it grow in value during the years they operated the eating place.

There's quite a story behind Val. He was born in the United States, went to Paris to learn how to cook and then returned to the United States to practice his new profession.

That was 45 years ago and he has been a chef ever since. He was co-owner of the Pen-Mar until six years ago when he and Charlie sold out to take a much deserved rest. Charlie is still taking things easy but that wasn't the life for the active Val and he was back behind the stove within a matter of a year.

Val and his wife, Amelia, are the parents of two children, James, a graduate of Michigan State, is now a management trainee in the famed Lazarus department store in Columbus, O. Linda is a freshman at Michigan State. And even Mrs. Berutti can't take things easy, she's a substitute school teacher in the Livonia Public School system.

For Cipriano, the business of operating a dining room and lounge is a new field. He was owner of Cipriano's Produce Co. for years, serving schools, hospitals and institutions.

But he gave that up a year

Nine Senate Candidates To Speak Friday Night

Voters from the 14th State Senatorial District will have an opportunity Friday to hear and question candidates in the Feb. 15 primary election for State Senator.

The candidates are slated to speak at 8 p.m., Feb. 12, at Emerson Junior High School, 29100 West Chicago, Livonia.

Sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Livonia, the "Meet Your Candidate" program will afford the nine candidates an opportunity to explain their platforms and then answer questions from the audience.

The six Republican candidates, seeking to run for the vacancy created by the death of Senator-elect Paul Chandler, are: George T. Ames, Allen C. Ingle, Paul A. Kern, Thomas J. McHugh, Fitzhugh Prescott and Farrell Roberts.

Viola for the Democratic nomination are John H. Burke, Thomas Hazen, Michael Neitau, Michael Jacks, David Caloutie, Fred Champagne, Curtis Grenda, Thomas Johnson, Edwin Sempowski, Tim McGuire and Paul Fitzpatrick were awarded their one year pins, at a recent meeting of Farmington's Boy Scout Troop 110.

Get One-Year Pins

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State Nazi Chief Is Arrested In Farmington on Libel Charge

By David Elsie and Allen Rosenfield (Related story, P. 8)

Suburban Detroit's long representative of the "master race" found himself behind bars Monday morning, Feb. 8. Russell Roberts, the local representative of George Lincoln Rockwell's American Nazi Party, was charged with violating the state criminal libel law. Farmington Police arrested him at his home, at 32710 Grand River, after an investigation disclosed he had circulated anti-Negro trash through a 14-year-old boy in the community.

Jaunty and a bit arrogant when police went for him, Roberts said, "I don't deserve all this flattery," as he was led from his home into a police car. He waved to reporters.

But after being fingerprinted, booked and questioned at the City Jail, he grew increasingly sullen. Roberts was arraigned before Farmington Municipal Judge Sylvester Pheneby on a charge of criminal violation of the state libel act.

According to this act, Roberts "did falsely and maliciously, by writing, attribute and impute to a race of men to wit: the Negro race, the commission of infamous and degrading acts."

The specific piece of literature before the State Legislature was a tract, upon which the Farmington Police were able to obtain an arrest, was a "Boat Race Between the Races."

The Police got hold of one of these tracts from an Italian mother, whose 14-year-old son had been offered a quarter by Roberts, to distribute to the Farmington community.

Chief Maurice Foltz, a man with a strong distaste for hate-mongers, turned the material over to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office — and pressed the matter until the arrest was issued.

That a criminal libel charge can be sustained in this case is, however, far from certain. The Metropolitan Detroit Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union issued a statement to the Observer, shortly after Roberts' arrest.

It conceded that it had not yet had an opportunity to examine the particulars, and had not been asked to intervene. However, it repeated its "well-established position" in such cases:

"The ACLU has consistently opposed criminal libel laws and prosecution for group libel as being unwarranted and unconstitutional infringements upon the first amendment guarantees of expression."

"The expressions allegedly published by Russell Roberts may well be offensive and hateful, still it is better that they be openly expressed and therefore made accessible to challenge and exorcism. In general, a free society in dealing with ideas whatever their merit or lack thereof must put its trust in public wisdom rather than in repressive legislation or criminal prosecution."

The Roberts case may well become a legal cause célèbre, but criminal libel is only a misdemeanor. If he is convicted, Roberts faces a penalty of 90

days, and/or a \$100 fine. Det. Sgt. William Gaiden, of the Farmington Police Dept., traveled to Pontiac at 8:30 a.m.

C. of C. Forum Opens Milliken Ticket Sales

Tickets for the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce business men's forum meeting on Thursday, March 4, at 7 p.m. in Lofy's, are now on sale in the Chamber offices on S. Main Street. For reservations call 453-1540 and Mrs. Fran Booth will take care of all requests.

Lieut. Governor William Milliken, who has been involved in a running battle with the State Senate on whether he should have the right to cast a deciding vote in case of a tie, will be the principal speaker.

Milliken will discuss the legislation before the State Legislature up to the time of his address and also go into the reform tax program suggested by Gov. George Romney.

The night meeting is the only one planned by the Businessmen's forum this year and Dr. Chairman Carl Pursell and Dr. Ray Barber are looking forward to an attendance of more than 300.

Plymouth Elks Sponsor Blood Bank on March 3

The Plymouth Elks, 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth will have a Red Cross Bloodmobile on Wednesday, March 3.

Hours of the bank will be 3-9 p.m. All are encouraged to take advantage of this community unit to replenish respective blood banks.

Contact Tony Gonzales at GL 3-1780 or Gil Glasgow, FT 9-0052 for appointments.

Monday, and received an arrest warrant from Oakland County Prosecutor S. Jerome Brouson.

At 10:30 a.m., Det. Sgt. Gaiden, Det. Donald Youles, and Officer Glenn Harding went to Roberts' house, and placed him under arrest. He did not appear shocked, and was quite cordial at first.

He even tossed a grin and a playful punch at a reporter he knew to be Jewish.

But jail was an unpleasant experience for him. He grew surly — particularly toward the reporters.

Asked if he looked forward to the opportunity to air his views he responded like a conventional bread-winner: "I've got a living to make. I've got no time for this."

Was his wife concerned about the arrest? "How would your wife feel?" he asked in reply. And the reporter was sorry he had raised the question.

Would his arrest cause him to cease his Nazi activities? Definitely not. He vowed to be come even more active.

He would not, however, concede that one of his activities has been distributing literature. He will not even discuss the matter. He took this position

even before the arrival of his lawyer, Howard Richards.

Roberts' colleagues are apparently just as loyal to him. The Observer contacted Nazi Headquarters, in Arlington, Va., and told them about the arrest.

Alan Welch, who described himself as a deputy commander, said "This is the most ridiculous charge I've heard since I've been in the battle. They may as well throw it out. Commander Rockwell will be up there to take care."

In the meantime, Roberts is free on \$100 bond. A trial date has not been set.



Schoolcraft Gets OK For Nursing Program

The Michigan Board of Nursing has notified Mrs. Harriett Sault, Director of Nursing Education, that Schoolcraft College has been granted approval to initiate an Associate Degree Nursing Program to open in the fall of 1965.

This program will require two college years, plus one eight-week semester. At the end of this time, students will be able to receive an Associate Degree from Schoolcraft College, and to meet requirements which will permit them to write the State Board of Nursing licensing examination for Registered Nursing.

The addition of this curriculum to Schoolcraft is expected to meet the needs of many women and men in the community, since they may live at home and at the regular college tuition become registered nurses.

Application is made through the Admissions Office. Since the program must be limited in numbers because of the specialized nature of many of the courses, those interested are urged to make application immediately.

An affiliation for the first year of this Associate Degree Registered Nursing Program has been completed with Sinai Hospital. During the second year, arrangements as called for by the program will be completed.

Green Named Production Chief At Fisher Body

Appointment of F. Harger Green as production manager at the Fisher Body plant in Livonia, was announced by Glenn W. Wiegand, general manufacturing manager of Fisher Body Division of General Motors.



Green replaces Paul D. Pender who has been promoted to plant manager.

A 1940 business administration graduate of Albion College, Green started with Fisher Body at the Pontiac plant. Green came to the Livonia plant in 1954. He was appointed superintendent of labor standards in 1961, and to shift superintendent in the trim fabrication department in 1963.

Green is married, has two children, and resides at 895 Simpson, Plymouth.

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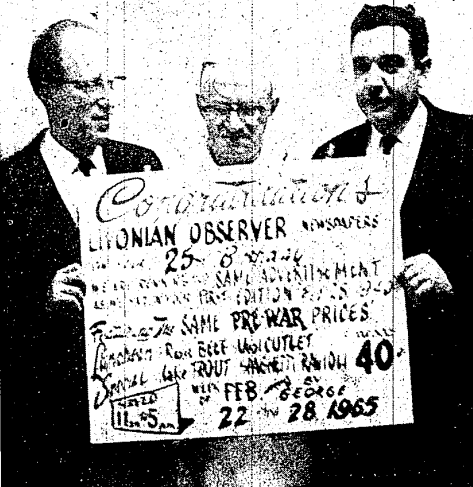
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