

Observing the Scene...

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A Strong Probe Needed

A little less than two years ago, Jessica Milford attacked American burial practices as a "filthy, macabrely expensive practice..."

of her husband buried under another man's tombstone. The carnival atmosphere and general "filth" at the exhumation bordered on the macabre.

For the three adjectives which she employs "filthy, macabre and expensive" can be applied to any one of a score of events at Brookdale brought out in recent weeks.

The statement from a recent New Jersey Supreme Court decision that a cemetery, even if privately owned, is a public burial ground "whose operation for purposes of profit is contrary to public policy" has appeared in the pages of the Observer.



MRS. SUE JONES, widow of the man attorney, Sol Goldberg, and Mrs. Mary Croons, a friend who body was exhumed at Brookdale Cemetery Thursday, is comforted by her.

Maybe We Should March

Newspaper reporters and publishers are citizens—no more, no less—than any citizen. And just like any other group of citizens, we holler when we feel our rights have been denied, although we haven't started to march yet.

server's dealings with the Livonia and Wayne School Districts. As a result of the situation in Garden City, The Garden City Observer has been making a little noise about the situation.

THE READER SPEAKS UP: Rev. Eddy's Critic Chided

Editor: Really! Attorney Joseph T. Brennan "We, the public," a quotation appearing not only several times in Att. Brennan's letter to the Observer, implies a unanimity of opinion. Have I missed an election? We, the public, don't even know, without an election, whether you have a majority of opinion backing your claims much less a consensus. And a lawyer too, Tsk! Tsk! Propaganda Analyst, a book in the Farmington Library, would be well worthy of your attention.

A Pause To Reflect

The fact that we are here today is in itself an historic event. And, it is appropriate at this point to comment briefly on this event and to state the significance of what we do here today.

the land. We are organizing to preserve the artifacts of our story. Old houses have almost become shrimps. Many old buildings are being saved from the wrecker's hammer. Local muses die on the increase. Old cars are precious. Ladies vie with one another to mold vintage clothing and millinery. Young men and women make deliberate efforts to grow beards.

Glue Factory Next?

Editor: Rejoice the fact that our illustrious Industrial Coordinator, Daniel R. Andrew, has brought industry into the City of Livonia—a Hy-Grade meat processing, and, very possibly, a rendering plant, to be located on Plymouth Road between Newburgh and Eckles Roads, Section 30.

Accolade For Judge Piggins

Several weeks ago, along with several other people from this area, I was the guest of the United States Army Reserve training center at Camp McCoy, Wis. Among our fellow travelers was Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Edward S. Piggins, who is currently the One-Man Grand Jury investigating the County's ticket fixing scandal.

flawless, and was especially remarkable because of the briefness of our association. Finally there is the impact of the Judge's presence at the Camp. We were guests of a military police unit from Dearborn. It has a number of Dearborn Police Officers in it. Many of these officers expressed great praise for him. It is obvious that from a Police standpoint he was one of the better Commissioners they have served under. Clearly impressed in their praise was the feeling that they are not so fortunate to have him.

Worthwhile Letter

Editor: It was good to see an editor print a long letter that really had something to say. I am writing about the letter about patriotism written by Dorothy S. Sullivan. That letter should become a classic and be reprinted for distribution in our schools. A class field meeting was held on our last Thursday night. All that attended, 50 or more, conducted themselves like true ladies and gentlemen.

Sign Here For Peace

It has been announced that planes will be sent over North Vietnam in the future to drop toys to the children there. Is it possible that the lives of those children, the toys will replace their parents and relatives who have been killed and who will be killed by bombs from those same planes? Would toys be satisfactory substitutes to the American children whose fathers have died and will die in Vietnam?

made available to all interested persons. The petitions will then be forwarded to the U.S. Congress. ROBERT R. BRADLEY To The United States Congress: I (we) petition that the United Nations General Assembly be given immediate and complete responsibility and authority for the peaceful and humane resolution of the Vietnam situation.

For P-P Integration

Editor: HURRAY for Joel Lubat's proposal of combining the Police Force with the Fire Department! It is gratifying to know there is one official in Livonia who is looking for the best interests of the residents. Too bad our councilmen cannot see the value of this proposal and give it the support it deserves.

By MYRA CHANDLER

Distaff politicians are making the scene this week in what has been the liveliest contest ever staged by the ladies of any party, any time, since the power struggle between Young Queen Bess and Ann Boleyn.

Unlike that 14th Century donkeybrock there was no bloodshed visible this week at the Rick Tar in Lansing when Beatrice Zilly, leading the ultra-conservative, fought Ruth Hobbs, carrying the banner of the Romney-moderates of the Republican Party, for the presidency of the Michigan Federation of Republican Women.

The fighters in the field, however, have not been so gentle. Some of the larger outstate districts have each threatened to leave the party en masse if their candidate is not elected.

Mrs. Ruth Hobbs resides in Ann Arbor with her husband, Wendell, who is the second Congressional District Chairman. She has two sons, Robert, a C.P.A. and Director of Financial Planning and Expansion of Ottawa Silica Company, and William, registered architect in Ann Arbor.

When interviewed she said, "My main aim, if I am elected, is to be sure the Federation lives up to its original purpose and remains an ARM of the Republican Party, NOT a separate organization."

Beatrice Zilly stated, "I have no statement to make concerning major issues. The only victory I am interested in is the Republican victory over the Democrats." She added, "The only issues I am interested in are Republican issues."

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