

JUST CHATTIN' . . . By W. W. Edgar

Great Society & Monetary Terms Increase Problems

Throughout most of my adult life I have been beset with problems concerning money and now the frustration seems to be getting greater than ever.

Such things didn't bother me as a child driven to the foothills of the Blue Mountains in Eastern Pennsylvania. My only exposure to money in those days came on hot summer nights when I'd beg my mother for a "nickel" to buy a "nugget" from the ice cream man who piled his trade in the streets of our town. This was back in the days before the ice cream cone and a "nugget" was a square block of ice cream served on a piece of waxed paper.

As I grew older my mother used to warn me that I'd have to learn about money. "You'll have to learn the value of it," she'd caution, "or you always will be in trouble and never spend more than you make."

On payday she had a ritual she would follow and I still can see her apportioning our meager funds in special envelopes, marked "food," "rent," "clothes." It was her way of budgeting and staying within an income.

And so, money, to me, was divided into paper money and cash and became known as rent money, food money and clothes money.

It seemed quite simple.

As I grew older things became more complicated. And when I set out on my own money became a problem. First, I never seem to have enough. Secondly, I find it most difficult to save any of the meager funds I do acquire.

However, that is only part of the problem. It is the identity of the money that confuses me now as it must confuse a lot of others. No longer is it divided into two classes — paper money and cash. Paper money has become "folding" money or "the long green" and cash has become "change" or "scratch" as it is known in our lower circles.

Essentially, it still is apportioned into the same categories as my Mother used, with the exception that "rent" money became "mortgage" money. We still have "food" money and "clothes" money. To this

has been added, "entertainment" money, and "tax" money. This is simply itself.

But with the advent of the Great Society, the brain child of the big man from Texas who lives in that big white house in Washington, things began to change and frustration has set in.

Now, when talking of money, we hear of such things as "federal" money and "matching funds" and a planned program of going further into debt at a time when we are enjoying "good" times.

What is federal money? The government doesn't make or manufacture any products or sell any. So, how does it get money?

When I inquired I was told that "federal" money is the money taken from each of us in taxes. Yes, taken is the right word, for the money is taken from our pay envelopes before we get them.

And matching funds? That's the money, I was told, we have to raise if we want to get any back from Washington.

Isn't that something?

First, the money is taken from us and then some of it will be given back — or if we raise some more. Nothing is said of what will happen if they take so much from us that we can't produce "matching" funds.

Something new was added the other day when I heard the new dimes and quarters referred to as "LBJ's Sandwich money."

The only "sandwich money" I ever knew about was the money my Mother used to give me each morning as I started for work. It was to buy sandwiches at lunch time.

Now, "sandwich" money, when you hear of it, means the new coins that LBJ recommended to save silver. These coins consist of a layer of copper between two layers of something that looks like lead — made just like sandwiches.

No wonder I am confused.

Federal money! Matching funds! Grants in aid! "LBJ's Sandwich Money."

And the end is not in sight.

I often wonder how the Indians handled their wampum.

Maybe they could help.

W. W. EDGAR

Templin Addresses New Student Group

Despite the much-publicized delinquency of today's youth, one group of Oakland County youngsters is dedicated to giving area justice a boost in the arm.

Local college students, many of whom are pursuing legal studies in school, have formed a county-wide Youth Legal Study Committee.

The group plans to attend court sessions, meet judges and other law enforcement officials, and conduct other activities that will lead to an awareness of the county's legal processes.

At their recent inaugural meeting, the committee was addressed by Robert L. Templin, trial attorney, who is a candidate in the non-partisan circuit court primary to be held on August 2.

Bob Covert, a Livonia col-

lege student and active member of the group, commented on Templin's talk by saying: "Since the non-partisan nature of the election prevails over the more usual mood of party politics, the only real issue is justice."

"The men that the voters feel have the experience and ability to sit in the three vacant chairs of the circuit court will be the men who are elected, irrespective of political affiliation."

"The speech and discussion period that followed impressed each of us with the far ranging importance of placing men of independent thought and absolute integrity in the Oakland county courts."

Anyone interested in joining the group may call Sue Dampel at 648-0205.

Board Expenses Age Set

Westland's City Council last week set an expense allowance of \$25 per member for persons serving on the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Electrical Board, and Heating Board.

The council's unanimous action also stipulated that the four citizens groups will meet not more than twice a month. It was pointed out that in some of the committees, special meetings are paid for by private citizens or firms seeking the board's approval.

Residential Plat OK'd

The fiscal approval for 21st residential subdivision was granted last week by the Garden City Council.

Mayor Edwin Fresh, Jr., and Clerk Neil MacIsaac were directed to sign the hard-back plats for the Rainbow Gardens Subdivision No. 2, developed by McFarlane Brothers Real Estate of Garden City.

Plan Model Home for Office

A rezoning request to allow use of a model home for a professional office building was approved unanimously by the Garden City Planning Commission Thursday night.

The commission's recommendation will be placed before the City Council for its final action.

Seeking the request is Jack McFarlane, local realtor, who owns two model homes on the southwest corner of Meridian Road between Balmoral and Elmwood Streets. The site is now zoned for single-family homes.

McFarlane told the commission that one of the two home models will be used for the next year and he wants to sell or lease the second building for professional office use.

He emphasized that the outside of the building would not be changed substantially from its present condition and that the space normally used for a residential home's backyard would be blacktopped for a parking lot.

Of the small group of neighboring residents attending Thursday's public hearing, none expressed any objection to the rezoning itself although they said that they didn't know until that night what the actual plans for the building were.

But they did comment that they favored a redwood fence rather than a cement block wall be constructed between the planned office building and existing homes.

HERE IS THE MAN

To Call For The Best Buy on Your Insurance

JOHN E. TRIPP
824 PENNIMAN
Plymouth, Mich.
GL 3-3640

State Farm Insurance Company
Home Office: Bloomington, Illinois

WARDS-WONDERLAND-OPEN SUNDAY NOON TIL 6

MONTGOMERY WARD

GA 7-1600

PRE-SEASON SAVINGS!

WONDERLAND STORE ONLY

save! automatic blankets

2-YEAR GUARANTEE

Your blanket will be replaced FREE, if found defective within 2 years after purchase, upon your return of blanket to Wards.

MACHINE WASHABLE TWIN SIZE BLANKET

SINGLE CONTROL **6⁹⁹**

Soft, machine washable blankets in a wide range of colors. Single control adjusts to room temperature. Nylon bound. Buy one for every bedroom.

Just Say "CHARGE IT!"

Full Size — Single Control \$ 8.99
Full Size — Dual Control \$11.99
King Size — Dual Control \$24.99

WIN

REG. \$16 AUTOMATIC FULL-SIZE BLANKET

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
TELEPHONE _____

No purchase necessary. Just deposit this entry blank at Wards, (Bedding Dept. Second Floor) before 8 p.m. Saturday, July 30.

Save \$4 quilted bedspreads

throw or fitted styles

Colorfast Chromspun acetate fully quilted, with Dacron "B" polyester filling, a gem of a value in glowing jewel tones.

12⁹⁹ TWIN SIZE

throw or fitted style Reg. \$18.99 full size (96x110") **\$14⁹⁹**

\$3 OFF! Aire-cell thermal blanket

100% ACRYLAN ACRYLIC

Lightweight, luxury-soft Acrilan acrylic is woven to trap air and give you beautiful insulation, cool in summer, warm in winter. And it's machine-washable! Twin or full size, 72x90".

6⁹⁹ REG. 9.99

Great July Clearance!

BEDROOM and DINING ROOM FURNITURE

We've got to make room for our fall merchandise now arriving. Tremendous savings in all departments. All floor samples or one-of-a-kind.

Closeout!

MODERN WALNUT 42" Round Table, 4 chairs, complete with 7-12" leaves. Slightly marred, one only **\$69⁹⁵**

40" MAPLE HARVEST TABLE, formal top, 2 Dacron® benches floor sample **\$149⁹⁵**

42" ROUND MAPLE TABLE with glass finish covered top, 2 leaves, 4 more chairs **\$159⁹⁰**

48" HUTCH, maple finish **\$119⁹⁵**

BREAKFAST SET, 3 piece, dropleaf table and 2 chairs **\$39⁹⁵**

4 piece WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE Triple dresser, mirror, open box bed, night stand by Lane. Floor sample **\$179⁹⁵**

4 piece AMERICAN OF MARTINSVILLE BEDROOM SUITE, Modern styling, double dresser, mirror, bed and chest. Discontinued style **\$239⁹⁵**

Many Similar Closeouts Also In Stock

BERRY'S DISCOUNT FURNITURE

DIVISION OF BERRY'S HOME SUPPLY

29590 W. SIX MILE ROAD, West of Beech

KE. 2-5933

Mon, Thurs, Fri, Sat 10 to 9 p.m. Tues, Wed 10 to 6 p.m.

10-Piece Dacron bath Set at 5.53 Saving

19⁹⁹

REGULARLY 25.52

What value Get: 2-pc. seat set, Jani bonnet, regular and contour skid-resist mats, 2-pc. tank set, tissue and scale cover, basket. Luxurious Dacron® polyester machine washes, stays fluffy, is moth-and-mildew-proof. Deep shades.

✓ CHARGE IT!

WARDS -- PLYMOUTH ROAD at MIDDLEBELT