'Almost neutral' now

Auto industry-U.S. relations better

The relationship between the federal government and the auto industry is changing for the better, but more improvement is needed for the industry to compete with foreign car makers, according to a high General Motors official.

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Robert C. Stempel, GM vice-president and general manager of Chevrolet
Motor Division, spoke at a mee'-- of
the National Press Club in Washington,

D.C.
Once a frequent spokesman for GM
in bearings on proposed government
regulations in the 1970s. Stempel headed Adam Opel AG, GM's German-based
subsidiary, before returning to this
country early last year to take charge
of Chevrolet.
He described the relationship between Washington and the auto industry as "almost neutral" during the
1950s. But in the 1950s an attitude de-

200 projects ready to go, say builders

The Builders Exchange, Michigan's largest Industrial and commercial construction association, reports that approximately 200 construction projects could get under way in the spring of 1983 if financing and other construction program requirements are met. About half of the proposed projects will be in southeastern Michigan. "Most of the projects have been designed and are needed right now to service Michigan residents," said Exchange Executive Vice-President John A. "We estimate the value of the projects to be exceeded \$150 million," Boil said. "There is no guarantee that all of these projects will actually begin this spring, but the design work has been accomplished and we are hopful that they will be built," he continued. Identification of projects which could get under way this spring was accomplished by the exchange's construction news report on building projects to be bed and on those projects to be the dan do not hose projects to the near future in Michigan.

veloped which was "practically against" the industry, Semple said.
During the '80s, the government's attitude has become more dynamic, but still falls short of the strong partnership approach evidenced in West Cermany, France and Japan, Stemple noted. In Japan, he added, the government is virtually a cheerleader fortheir auto industry.

He said it is the principle of freedoms in the United States and the country's basic strength which make it possible for our government to be a critic of the industry.

The US. Is the foundation of the world economy, with the largest gross that and any other productions and the control of the world economy, with the largest gross making it is the most productive.

"However, we are being challenged, and now is the time to respond," Stempel said.

STEMPEL SAID it is clear the Reagan Administration wants industrial growth and employment opportunities and is working to improve rules and regulations affecting he industry. Recent moves to improve the nation's road system and highway safely are also helping, be said.

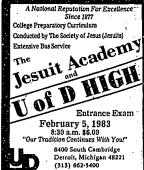
Stempel said he is hopeful the 98th Congress will give prompt attention to the Clean Aff act and will consider its "real costs" in terms of human and industrial needs.

Chrysler recalls 585

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Indefinite layoff 836
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