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EDITORIALS

Thousands of Words . . .

skillful, colorful, warm words have been written about white crosses row on row. So many words, in fact, that they seem meaningless. Words that, in all their power, can not quite reach our real thoughts—our memories.

We, the living, trying in our humble way, with all the means at our disposal, to pay tribute to those men who died fighting for the kind of life they believed in.

Can words ever be powerful enough? Can we ever piece them together in such a way that they will go beyond the reality and find the true feeling that wells up in all of us as we walk between the white crosses. We grope for a word, an inspiration, only to pull it back meaninglessly.

The real tribute is in your heart — it comes to you over the voice of an Army Chaplain dedicating a new military cemetery on some far off battlefield. It comes to you as you read the inscription on your buddy's fresh laid cross. It comes to you and then it is gone.

A tribute never to be written.

The Damage . . .

has been done. A government and a people generally favorable to labor have put their foot down, and hard.

President Truman's frank, down to earth address to the people of the United States Friday night came as a result of months of paralyzing work stoppages. Congress' actions on Saturday only emphasize the determination of the people to straighten out the mess a few irresponsible labor leaders have created. Both should be highly complimented on their courage and straight forwardness.

Little could be accomplished under the former attitude. It is unfortunate that labor has forced these measures to be taken. Their lack of consideration for the majority of the people, their methods of accomplishing their objectives and their lack of responsibility have caused many supporters to turn their backs on labor.

Strong methods had to be taken, if the security and general welfare of this country were to be maintained. They are now being taken. We as a nation, the greatest nation in the world, have been set back. We have been unable to supply ourselves with the things we need, let alone fill our obligations to the starving, wandering peoples of Europe. We have seen a glowing example of inefficiency to the anti-democratic groups of the world. What must the little nations, undecided as to form of government, think of the model of democracy?

The consumer, the small business man, the professional man, the big business executive, have lost. But most of all, labor has lost. It has lost the respect of the government and of the people.

It has not lost its rights yet. Under able, honest cooperative leadership labor can attain its objectives. It can do so without shutting off the life flow of the country and bringing the flood of public dissension upon themselves.

The President has spoken — Congress has acted in the best interests of the people, even in the best interests of labor, now and in the future. The rest is up to labor — to find responsible leadership — to act intelligently — to sincerely try and arbitrate differences, and as a result, to regain the respect of the people, and to build, not destroy.



Facts and comment about the 1946 Illinois of Happy Days: The flow of war-time savings into Michigan farm land continues at a fast pace. In fact, the Michigan farm boom has put other Midwestern states in a near total eclipse. While Michigan farm land is now selling at 103 per cent of the 1929 price peak, Ohio land is at 83 per cent, Indiana 70; Illinois 78; and Wisconsin 70. The national average is 81.

If you drive into the country these days you'll notice the result of this Michigan trend. Many city dwellers are buying country homes and farmland as a hedge against inflation and hard times. Oakland County, for example, is filled with Detroit people who are investing in rural property. Livingston County also has benefited from Detroit dollars, most of them garnered during the war. The same thing is true for all counties adjacent to industrial cities.

When war dollars go into a farm, the first change is a general improvement of the buildings. Farm barns are thinking about moonlight and roses, electric fans, and a lot of longer-range planners are wondering about next winter's coal supply, harvest time, and many other things a lot further away than the fly on your nose. Among these are the politicians. It's a great time to lean back in a chair in the Senate office building or thereabouts, open another bottle of White Rock, light another cigar, and burble on about what's going to happen come November, and, still more intriguing, to prognosticate on presidential possibilities.

War workers have been seeking to adjust security against money depression. Life savings are being invested into a cabin and a plot of land in northern Michigan. Prices have been sky high in many cases. The land itself is of questionable merit for farming.

In World War I and postwar years the value of farm land rose 65 per cent before cracking. To day, it has risen 65 per cent from 1914 to 1939, and the rise is gaining force. The increase in four months ended March 1 was 7 per cent; one year ago the rise was 5 per cent.

The federal bureau of agricultural economics tells us that productivity of farm land is now 17.9 per cent higher than in 1929, compared with 1.4 per cent rise between 1914 and 1919. Price of farm commodities is 51 per cent higher than in August, 1939. The comparable rise for World War I was 7 per cent.

And yet the man who owns a farm mortgage may be better off than the man who owns a farm. Operators of farms from 1920-1924 averaged 2.2 per cent on investment at 1920 prices, while farm mortgages drew average interest of 6.4 per cent. The 1925-1929 farm yield was 4.1 per cent of 1920 values; 1935-1939 return was 3.1 per cent. The recent war boom reversed the farm earnings vs. mortgage picture, and farmers earned 7.5 per cent as compared with 1.6 per cent for mortgages.

By 1930 — just four years after farm earnings had due to drop 4.7 per cent, while mortgage will be closer to 5 per cent, according to federal forecasts. And yet farm land is attracting city dollars in (Continued on Page Eight)

SHAME!



Washington Digest

1948 Long Way Off, but Taft Looms as GOP Hope

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator

Along about June of any election year, when a lot of simple souls are thinking about moonlight and roses, electric fans, and a lot of longer-range planners are wondering about next winter's coal supply, harvest time, and many other things a lot further away than the fly on your nose, among these are the politicians. It's a great time to lean back in a chair in the Senate office building or thereabouts, open another bottle of White Rock, light another cigar, and burble on about what's going to happen come November, and, still more intriguing, to prognosticate on presidential possibilities.

It's fun for the newcomers because it's so easy for them to pronounce. In the light of what's happening right now, just what will happen then. It's still more fun for the old timers because they know that the voters who don't vote you in the autumn often seem very paltry in the spring — and vice versa.

Since there isn't much use in speculating on who the Democratic presidential nominee will be, it's more interesting to talk about Republican possibilities.

Perhaps that is why, along about the middle of May, the busy backbones of Bob Taft began to be heard from. Up until then, most of the talk in the congressional halls was how Bricker was the No. 1 boy, and how Stassen must've even been mentioned above a whisper. Even Stassen's own men decided it was better for the young man from Minnesota to keep his head down so he wouldn't attract any lightning while he had found out that his forums were more potent than anti-isms.

Now it's getting to be more serious fun to talk about Taft. He's wanted to be President before. He is pretty much master of the Republican organization, but even if he weren't, Bricker, his present friends and

opponents, are all in a tizzy. Taft is more "beatable," despite the good impression he made on his speaking tour before the last convention. . . . what with the leftist look in so many veterans' eyes.

Bricker has a staunch and solid conservative following. But it is a measure badly battered by conservatives of both political stripes. In fact, his political ground has never produced even a pale and lonely peak. On the other hand, his supporters prudently point to many a constructively liberal measure which has had his blessing.

Only the other day, I was talking with an ardent administration official who has been battling for a measure badly battered by conservatives of both political stripes. I asked him if he could expect to retrieve in the senate a certain provision in his legislation, lost in the house.

"Oh, yes," he answered, "Bob Taft will go along on that." And Taft has a good liberal record on such mass-appel measures as housing.

The Republicans don't have to deal with the old-time bosses to the extent that the Democrats do and in two of the larger cities where the Republican machine is vital — Philadelphia and Cincinnati — everything concerned. He, himself, is the kingpin in his home state organization. . . . and Mr. Pew, who makes the Republican wheels go round in Pennsylvania, wanted Taft in '40 and '44. It is to be presumed he'll feel the same in '48.

This doesn't eliminate other brilliant possibilities, including Messrs. Stassen and Vandenberg, both of whose political futures may be molded by international developments. Mr. Vandenberg has done a lot of the molding himself. This could work both ways. On the one hand the energy and devotion, with which Mr. Vandenberg has applied himself to foreign affairs, and the powerful influence he has exerted, have greatly increased his silhouette on the international horizon. Of the other hand, these

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I love to come to this still place,

Where deeper peace is always found.

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And feel my Master face to face

I 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 sweet healing give.

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WEDNESDAY

3 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 meeting.

Services are held in the Church building, 3231 W. Seven Mile Road.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

J. Scott Greer, Minister

Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship "Physical and Mental Health"

10:11 a.m. Sunday School

Sunday Evening Service "Expositions in Theosophy"

7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Rev. Thomas P. Deane, Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 10:11, 11:15 and 12:30.

Masses on Holy Days at 6:30, 7:00, 8:30 and 9:00.

Daily Masses at 6:15 and 8:00 a.m.

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.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m. Sunday.

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

FARMINGTON G.S.P. ASSEMBLY

William Grace School

Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 7:00 p.m.

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E. L. Stumpff, Pastor

Sunday School and Bible class at 9:30 a.m.

Divine worship at 10:45 a.m., glorifying our living and ascended Lord and Savior.

Lutheran Hour over CKLW at 1:30 p.m. and other stations throughout the day.

Lutheran Memorial Service at Glen Eden Memorial Park, 35875 Eight Mile Rd., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

We extend the Savior's welcome to all in Sunday School and at every service.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

New High School Auditorium

Farmington

"Ancient and Modern Necromancy, Alchemy, Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, June 2.

The Golden Text (Psalms 26:1): "My flesh and my heart faint; but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish."

Among the Bible citations is this passage (Romans 12:1): "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God."

Correlative passages to be read from "The Christian Science Bible," "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p.272): "God is the divine Principle of all that represents Him and of all that really exists"

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (June 10, 1921)

High Team Wins First Defeat Of Season

The Farmington boys met their first defeat Tuesday. This game was the tenth on they have played this season and as they had won nine straight; defeat did not come easy. The score was five and six.

Work Progressing On New Stores

Work on the moving of the Owen hotel building has been started; the building already has been moved a considerable distance. We understand that the building is to be turned and what is now the west side, will face the South.

Declaration Oratorical Contests Held At School

A declamation and oratorical contest was held at the High School on Friday evening, June 3, under the supervision of Miss Walton, the instructor in Literature. The pupils who participated were selected relative to the high standing of their work.

TEN YEARS AGO (June 11, 1936)

Injured Tiger Star Finds Haven Of Rest During Farmington Visit

One young man whose name is known from coast to coast is delighted with having found in Farmington a haven of rest. He is Hank Greenberg of the Detroit Tigers. The Tiger first-baseman came out to Farmington last Friday evening as a guest of Ralph Fineran, who is a friend of Mickey Cochrane, Tiger manager. Through the acquaintance of Cochrane, Mr. Fineran and Greenberg became intimate friends.

School Ends With Outings Friday

The end of the school in Farmington for the year and the beginning of the three month summer vacation for all the students will be marked Friday by two school outings. The entire senior class will leave Farmington at 7:30 Friday morning for Hobbs where they will spend the night. They will be accompanied by Principal R. C. Burris, Senior class sponsor.

Bad Curve At Cut-Off To Be Fixed

A further incentive to westbound motorists to use Grand River Avenue through Farmington, rather than the Cut-Off, is to be provided following the recent installation of new signs at the east junction of the two strips of pavement.

FIVE YEARS AGO (May 25, 1941)

Addition To School May Be Provided

Possibility of construction of a substantial addition to the new Farmington schools building, as a consequence of the national defense program, and without necessity of additional taxation, is engaging the attention of school officials, and enabling action is being voted on June 9.

Garden Club To Hold Flower Show

Plans were completed this week for the Ninth Annual Flower Show of the Farmington Branch of the Women's National Park and Garden Association, to be held Friday, June 6, at the Farmington Baptist Church.

Wednesday Evening Busy For Community

For evenings in recent years have called for such a busy schedule of activities on the part of Farmington students as Wednesday evening of this week. One of the most important meetings of the year relative to municipal affairs, a joint meeting of civic clubs, and a meeting of the new Defense Bonds committee chairman, all were placed on the calendar.

FIRST BAPTIST

"The Friendly Church"

Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School at 11:45 a.m. A cordial welcome awaits you.

Junior and Senior Youth Meetings at 6:30 p.m.

Evening Prayer Circle at 7:00 p.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Choir rehearsal at 7:45 p.m.

Mineral Oil

Nutrition research workers advise against the wide and indiscriminate use of mineral oil as a substitute for fat and vegetable fats.

Studies have shown that too much mineral oil prevents proper utilization of vitamins A and two important minerals—phosphorus and calcium.

Harness Days

In England the harnessing of dogs to vehicles is forbidden, but in Belgium it is common practice to harness one or more to small milk carts.

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BITS OF THIS AND THAT

By ELMER T. POCKLINGTON

EFFECTIVE PRAYING

When doctors shook their heads

My mother prayed;

Her tender hands, made strong by love and faith,

Knew neither day nor night.

In later years, again she prayed