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Civil Rights & Official Reaction

Taking a stand in support of civil rights for minority groups is not a particularly popular political position today. Especially in a suburban community where a deep reservoir of prejudice persists...

Some Writers Can Be Wrong

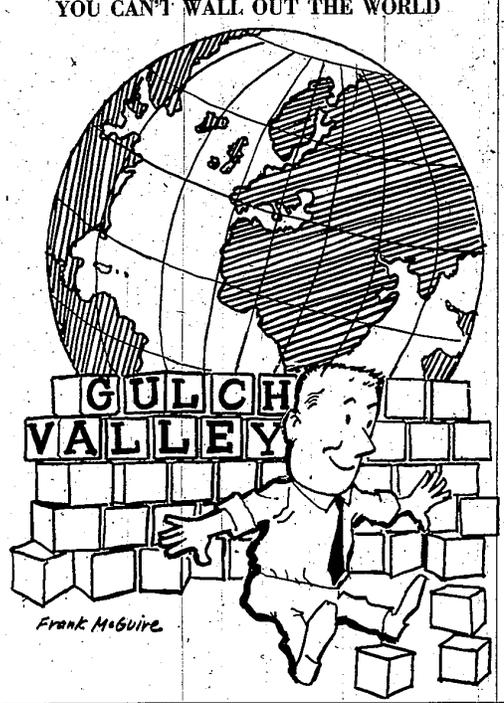
Col. Robert McCormick was a very bad man. He was publisher and total ruler of the Chicago Tribune. The Tribune describes itself as "The World's Greatest Newspaper."

Save That Bike Rider!

Perhaps we have all heard so much about safe driving and accidents we are becoming completely immune to any more exhortations, but in hopes that some few persons will pay heed, these remarks are made.

Hurray for Doylestown!

It made our day a little brighter recently when we read the story about the renovation of the little town of Doylestown, Pennsylvania. It seems that the town's Republican and Democratic leaders decided to try all our own ideas and resources to solve our downtown problems...



The Reader Speaks Up

Knowlson Residents - Livonia Appeal To Builder For Help

Editor: We would like to enlist your aid in the following situation. All of us are new home owners in Livonia. We moved into our new houses in March, 1955. To date we have been unsuccessful in our attempts to have Rose-Hill Builders, Inc. complete the final grading of our lots.

Alcoholism Is Cultivated

Says Noted Doctor Pino

CRIME In closing last week's article on "Crime and the Human Brain," this further statement is introduced to the minds involved in the propagation of crime: From heredity and environment, from genetic evolution to present brain and body development, man has reached the highest intellectual stature known in the vertebrate kingdom...

Resents Remarks

AN OPEN LETTER TO SUPERVISOR J. McDONALD AND THE REDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD: I wish to protest your remarks in the last issue of the "Observer." Most particularly, I resent the fact that you felt the people who attended your meeting were there to "heckle" you. Since when is it heckling when the answers come seeking information regarding a matter that concerns them as citizens of the community, and also affects them and their homes?

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By MYRA CHANDLER

"You can't trust a politician," is a statement often heard over our land, reiterated by those not in public life. It has always made me Irish-fighter-mad.

By and large the glib statement just isn't true. But then last week in Livonia, a public official holder set me back 100 years. Councilman Dr. Daniel C. Allen revoked his public trust, and in the dark of night stole out of town. When he did so, he stole something else - public trust in elected officials.

When a man declares himself a candidate for public office, in my opinion, he no longer belongs entirely to himself and his family. He assumes an obligation. When he is elected this increases twofold. Voters have paid him a high honor. They have put their trust in him. To treat this trust and obligation lightly is an offense.

Perhaps I am the more prejudiced because I have known men to give their lives in dedication to serve the public with no thought to personal reward. I believe my husband did.

Another case in point is Senator Farrell Roberts from the 14th District, and his struggle in seeking a proper decision in a recent personal conflict. All of his adult life he has been devoted to law and politics. He concerned himself with important legislation as a Senator planning the Appeals Court. He ran for the newly created judgeship in Oakland County and was defeated during the Presidential election last November.

When the characters of her book found life in the U.S. becoming too altruistic, a sign of weakness to them, they would without warning, take their money and their talents and leave the world - they all went to another place to rebuild a different world and this new place was called "Gulch Valley."

On the plus side we have two excellent men who are considering entering public office. Men of integrity, shrewd and proven sound judgment. Any vote of confidence can give these men to become candidates seems called for.

One is Louis Schmidt who to these many years has taken the Clarenceville School District over stormy seas as its Superintendent. He is considering resigning this to become a candidate for the State Representative in the 34th district on the Republican ticket.

Another, who knows his way around the campaign trail and is a good campaigner, fighter and more important, good loser, and who would also make a good winner is Jim O'Neill. He is thinking of becoming a candidate, also on the Republican ticket, for Congress from the 19th District.

The Daniel Allens and the Daniel Wests may, each in their own way, make politics seem cheap and shabby, but hopefully there will always be men who bring the fresh air of forthrightness back to the political scene.

Who are the propagators of such crimes that come from the use of alcohol? The overall producers are, all who make money from the sale of alcohol to the consumer, from whom the money comes. The more obvious ones are the distillers, brewers, and wine makers, the bar owners, restaurants, and hotels. All liquor outlets. All advertisers of alcohol products including newspapers, magazines, television, radio stations, and many more. In an era when juvenile delinquency and crime are such a social problem, the advertising of alcohol in the form of beer as a part of reporting the news, and the advertising of alcohol in the form of a "disease" is an attitude that will defeat any program of prevention. Alcohol is the direct cause of one of the country's four leading disease and death entities in this country, ranking with heart disease, cancer and stroke. Alcoholism is a disease, but so is tuberculosis, polio, cancer, and many others. Unlike all other diseases, Alcoholism Liberty to drink under the law is cultivated. Many people are more immune naturally than others, but we do all we can to extend immunity and prevent the disease. We do not extend the methods of acquiring the contagious or other diseases. We try to prevent them. We do this by education, by immunization, and by constantly keeping the facts before the public. Mr. Pino, M.D.

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