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Out State Bitter Toward Detroit

Consistent bitterness toward Detroit business and financial leaders is being manifested out-State in Michigan. Most of the people away from the larger cities, especially Detroit, feel that they have been victimized by the unscrupulous and dishonest leadership of some men in high places in the Fourth City's affairs. One out-State man recently complained somewhat bitterly: "The whole metropolitan area around Detroit was comprised of a bunch of racketeers." Of course, this is an exaggerated statement, but not wholly untrue, either. For there has been rampant in Michigan, without State control or interference, too many persons engaged in affairs of a highly speculative and gambling nature.

In fact, there are many who read in the metropolitan area who feel that Detroit's relation to larger financial centers is the same as that of the out-State to Detroit. Money lands in New York and Chicago, being secured and financial control leads to the pocket. They have manipulated these matters, but high-visibility public business in Michigan. The long line extended wherever human desire for profit can be cultivated, and that trait never was in any greater degree of extermination.

As a humble citizen of Michigan who wishes prosperity for the entire State, the recent disclosures from Detroit's business and financial circles lead to this conclusion: Detroit has proven its inability to guide its civic, business and financial affairs from the destructive rocks of greed, incompetency, and desire for power. Detroit has and deserves a large place in the entire State's affairs—but never enough to hold the reins of government and financial control. It is time to let the State's affairs be run by the people, and not by a few men in high places.

Federal Guaranty Deposits

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Are You Buying School Scrip?

In an effort to keep the Birmingham public schools open until June 9, a house-to-house canvass is being staged by nearly 100 local women, who are to sell what is commonly known as "scrip." This form of currency is similar to that used by the local Board of Education for more than a year, and is the same as a promissory note, payable in six months with interest.

Unless a great portion of the \$40,000 issue is sold, Birmingham's schools will close; the exact time will depend upon the amount of scrip sold.

If you are a parent, you are interested in keeping the schools open. Buying your share of scrip will help.

If you are not a parent, but a citizen and taxpayer in this city and school district, your property will be as valuable as the number of people who might be induced to reside here. A community with closed schools is not desirable as an attraction to outsiders. So your purchase of scrip will protect your own property.

Closed schools means many things that can become harmful to the people of a community. Let's not forget our obligation to the children and to the teachers. Let's buy the scrip for an investment in our own future!

Newspapers Are On Trial

Newspapers and banks, together with science, are and to represent the three great foundations upon which human civilization rests. Newspapers, because they are the symbols of free speech and free press; banks, because they are the channels of the world's money stream; and science, because it turns, through the inventive genius of mankind, the energy of the earth into those things that annihilate time and space, as well as being the means of bringing greater comfort and convenience to the world.

When dimmed by human greed and desire for power, newspapers, banks, and science are actual enemies to the well-being of society. Today, on all sides we may observe the destruction that greed and desire for power have wreaked; they controlled our money system; they revealed the manner in which gunpowder may kill people and destroy property; they led to digging tunnels, blasting precious minerals from the earth, and doing other allied constructive tasks for men and women.

Newspapers, it seems to us, are the next to face the great demands that unfinish service to the world requires. While it is true that your modern newspapers, especially in the large cities, have become great manufacturing enterprises that should obtain profits, it is increasingly manifest that their very wealth prevents some of them from fulfilling every public trust that the centuries have accorded to this human protective agency we call journalism. All in many sections of the country, newspapers that have a duty to the public, to the community, to the nation, to the world, are revealing themselves in the face of political or economic breakdown. The present nation-wide banking debacle is providing evidence that too many newspapers are losing the vitality and virility that once made them valiant crusaders for the public welfare and the common good. Better than the newspapers themselves, too many crusaders fallies are in the hands of persons who use their properties merely for the furtherance and protection of their own private business enterprises.

As a private so-called "small-town newspaperman," one who has been able to observe the trend of many of the larger newspapers of America, we keep with those who lament the gradual passing of that type of newspaper that used to paraphrase the Biblical verse found in the Book of Matthew into "So first the kingdom of crusading journalism that shall first in the public mind be added to these things (profits) shall be left behind to fade."

CONSIDERABLE OUT-STATE bitterness is being revealed because Detroit banks have refused to release funds deposited with them, in accordance with law. As we have said, it is to be expected that the federal government at Washington, when deciding to create a guaranty deposit bank, will require the banks themselves to furnish the funds to back their deposits. This is a fair and reasonable thing to do.

REPUBLICANS SHOULD PRAY

There is nothing more disgusting, or more intolerable, than the sight and sound of an egotistical partisan who sees his party snuffed under by an avalanche of votes from the millions of intelligent people in free America, step forward on the platform and proclaim the eternal righteousness of his party and the sanctification of its leaders, and laying the misfortune of the masses upon the lack of intelligence, the temporary infidelity, the fickleness and folly of the masses. It is to be expected that the federal government at Washington, when deciding to create a guaranty deposit bank, will require the banks themselves to furnish the funds to back their deposits.

SCRIP IS GOOD

Trade dollars and scrip—call that what you will—is just as good as money when it is used in the community in which it is used. If part of the people stick up their noses or refuse to take the scrip, they are wrong. If anyone gets it and tries to do all they can, it is a wonderful thing. It is a wonderful thing. It is a wonderful thing. It is a wonderful thing. It is a wonderful thing.

SPRING PLANTING!



FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS of 1932

Bits Of News Cleared From The Columns Of The Eccentric—The Items Of Major Background The Birmingham Editor Today.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

A blizzard struck our hard-frozen city last night. Dr. C. M. Rayburn, of the city health department, issued an open slide his buggy, and many young men were seen to be in the streets. Don't forget that the mother of the Social Dancing Club is a masquerade party. "National Spelling" after a long time in the city, everything is in the air. Troy district No. 10, of the winter term of school, will be held at the school of the city.

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The April number of Ball's Magazine contains a liberal article on the political novel "The Ball Game" by William H. Thomas, author of "The Hunt for the Slaves." The article is growing in interest and is being sold to a syndicate in Australia. The article is growing in interest and is being sold to a syndicate in Australia.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Monday the first day of spring brought more golfers to the links at the Oakland Hills Country Club than at any other time this season. The number of friends will accompany Miss Stach to Fenton where she competes for the State title. The Birmingham village budget for 1933-34 was approved today following the meeting Monday night when the council of the village, presided by Manager James W. Parry, passed without material changes the budget for the new City Commission House here completed plans are under way for an intensive drive for the \$125,000 necessary for the construction of the new house.

Jest For Fun

Suggestive Child. "Auntie, asked Little Ruth, 'do you put powder on your face to make the pretty dear.'"

SPRING PLANTING!

Are you not getting ready to plant through the winter? Miss Eva McCallahan, who is attending college at the University of Michigan, has a suggestion for a short time to do that if you do not want to plant through the winter. Miss Eva McCallahan, who is attending college at the University of Michigan, has a suggestion for a short time to do that if you do not want to plant through the winter.

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The "Big Shots" Say:

A. Lawrence Lowell, president of Harvard University: "There is no question but that an economic boycott would put an end to the Manchurian situation; it might perhaps even put an end to Japan." Lee J. Eastman, president, Packard and Motor company: "A business depression is always a good time to launch a theory—especially a panicky one that predicts war and ruin unless we mend our ways." Alanson B. Houghton, former Ambassador to Germany and Great Britain: "There is a new Europe that would last a single moment in its present form if it were not for military force."

ELECTION NOTICE

To The Electors of the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on

Monday, April 3, 1933

for the purpose of voting on the following question, to-wit: "Shall the proposed charter for the City of Birmingham drafted by the charter commission elected on the 6th day of September, 1932, be adopted?"

And for the further purpose of electing the following officers provided for in said charter, to-wit:

- Seven (7) Commissioners
Two (2) Members of the Library Board (3 year term)
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Two (2) Members of the Library Board (1 year term)
One (1) Justice of the Peace
One (1) Associate Justice of the Peace
One (1) Constable

Notice is further given, that all candidates for said offices must file petitions signed by not less than Twenty-five and not more than Fifty qualified electors of the City, in the office of the Clerk of the City of Birmingham, on or before Five o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time, on the 18th day of March, 1933, and must also at the same time sign a statement of candidacy. Forms of petitions and statement of candidacy may be secured from the Clerk of the City of Birmingham.

Said election will be held at the following polling places:

- Precinct No. 1—Voting booth at the corner of Harmon and Woodward Avenues—is all that territory bounded on the north by City Limits, on the east by Woodward, on the south by Maple Avenue, on the west by City Limits.
Precinct No. 2—Voting booth at the Adams School—is all that territory bounded on the north by City Limits, on the east by City Limits, on the south by Maple Avenue, on the west by Woodward Avenue.
Precinct No. 3—Voting booth at the Municipal Building—is all that territory bounded on the north by Maple Avenue, on the east by Woodward, on the south by Lincoln Avenue, on the west by City Limits.
Precinct No. 4—Voting booth at the Wylie Bell garage, east side of Elm St., 150 ft. south of Maple Avenue—is all that territory bounded on the north by Maple Avenue, on the east by City Limits, on the south by Lincoln Avenue, on the west by Woodward Avenue.
Precinct No. 5—Voting booth at the S. W. corner of Lincoln and Woodward Avenues—is all that territory bounded on the north by Lincoln, on the east by City Limits, on the south by City Limits, on the west by City Limits.

Polling places will be opened at 7:00 A. M. and continue open until 9:00 P. M. Eastern Standard Time. GEORGE R. AVERILL, Secretary for the Charter Commission for the City of Birmingham, Michigan. Date: March 9, 1933.

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