

'Hold on to Your Hats, Folks!' Uncharted Economic Seas Ahead

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LANSING—Hold on to your hats, folks—we're going some where! Staggering to the imagination of the Michigan man on the street is the latest federal payroll tax proposal, blessed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, to skim more millions of dollars from the national income—all in the name of our economic good health.

It puts the Michigan legislative situation into a modest corner of incidental interest. The governor and the legislature may be interested, but they will be only symptoms of a tremendous problem which is worrying Washington these days and giving even housewives an occasional frown.

Let's consider the Michigan scene first, take a look at the symptoms.

\$2,000,000 Pay Boost
Among the many vetoes exercised by Governor Van Wagner was one on a bill proposing \$2,000,000 of the regular appropriation bill. It was "Balancing the Budget."

When the legislature enacted the bill last spring, members anticipated an average of \$10 per month increase in salaries of employees in the lower pay bracket. Then the state civil service commission, a supreme court order and the state amendment creating it, ordered blanket wage increases averaging \$25 a month for hospital and prison employees.

Result: A deficit of about \$2,000,000 is anticipated in the same appropriation bill, and Leo J. Nowicki, state budget director, has drafted a bill for introduction in the legislature, reconvening today, to appropriate this additional sum.

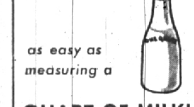
Rising Prices
A worrisome salary, as it is to workers, is the mounting cost of commodities. Everything costs more than it did six months ago, except your newspaper and a few other items.

Prices at wholesale have climbed 20 per cent over the level existing in pre-war months before September, 1939. The cost of living is up 7 per cent and mounting almost daily. This is particularly true of food.

Under the price control bill endorsed by Leon Henderson, price increases in farm products and all prices could rise to 110 per cent of parity—that is, 10 per cent above the level existing between 1909 and 1914.

As everyone knows, continued increases in farm prices are bound to form a base for additional rise in living costs; these higher costs will form a base for demands by labor for further wages, such higher wages in turn will increase

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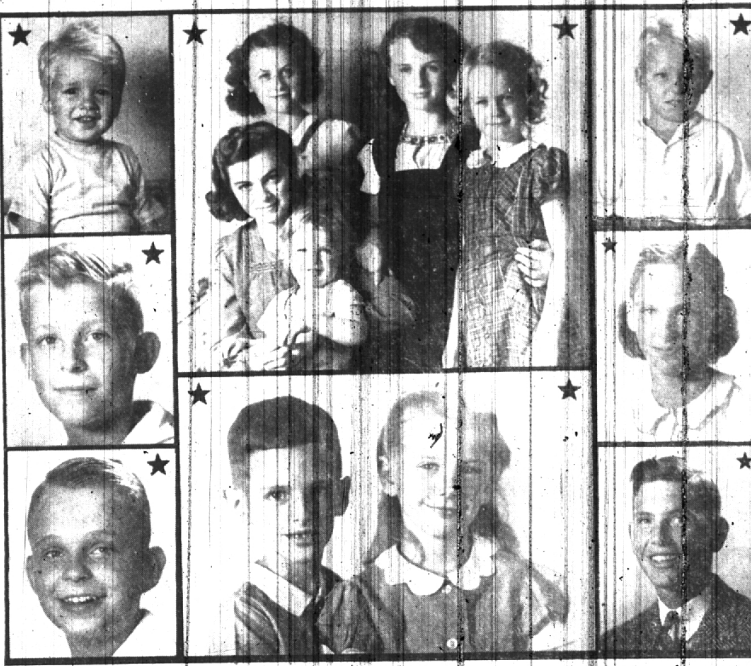
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Scouts from all over America have again been requested by Government officials to help in the cause of national defense. There is a definite shortage of waste paper products so badly needed for the packing and shipping of defense materials.

All local Scout troops have been requested by the Detroit Area Council to immediately conduct a waste paper drive. It is suggested that Troops cover the territory assigned them in the next all-out campaign. In most cases this territory is the nearest their own headquarters.

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Monday, "Cracked Nuts" at 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 & 11:00
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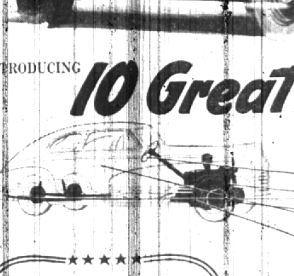
Now! 'Hold That Ghost'

What Your School Board Is Doing... Regular meeting of the Board of Education was held Oct. 15 at 8:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Building.

That Paul Truitt be awarded the contract to repair the school system for the year 1941-1942.

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Will Bear Risk On New Oil Burner

In a letter to the City Commission, Monday night, the Lansing Board notified that body that a new oil-burning unit had been installed and would operate as a pilot burner.

The building is well-insulated and the heating room is fire-proof. I think the City can assume the risk itself in this case, City Manager D. C. Ebert declared.

The Commission agreed. Leland Hawkes suggested that the boiler room be examined to determine whether joints are tight to prevent possible smoke from coming through.

If the unit is maintained properly there is little of a fire hazard from such a burner, Harry E. Bassett declared.

Red Cross Prepares Air Raid Kits

While streets around the city are strewn with abandoned tin cans and other debris, the Red Cross is busy preparing air raid kits for the city's citizens.

These kits will be made in the form of a small kit to be carried by each citizen, and a larger kit to be carried by each family.

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East Of Birmingham

Carl Wahlgren, 41 Alma College graduate, son of the Eric Wahlgren of Wadsworth Road, has been named by Professor Clark of Alma as an honor student.

Harold W. Rich, of Delmore street, who is a junior pre-medical student at Mt. Pleasant teachers' college, writes home that he is having a grand time during the freshman year.

The W. Clements have moved into the house formerly owned and occupied by the Charles Godau family on 16-Mile road.

Leo Speltz broke his right arm in two places while playing at the school grounds Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bolt have sold their house and moved to Kansas City.

Mrs. Albert Jackson of Sparta, Miss Mary Lyle Stacy of Stark, Miss Frank Nell of Halsey, and Mrs. Claude Nell of Halsey, are home from their trip to Camp Livingston, La., during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Webster returned from their vacation in Florida on Monday night.

Robbie M. Williams, of Delmore street, who is a junior pre-medical student at Mt. Pleasant teachers' college, writes home that he is having a grand time during the freshman year.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, photographer, will present a program at next week's church service at the Exchange Club. He will show slides illustrating the one hundred years of the Exchange Club.

The regular session was a business meeting at which Vice-President Howard Smith was president.

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