

6-Part 2-BHAM ECCENTRIC
Thursday, August 2, 1945
**Taxi Service Added
At The Berz Airport**

Out at the Berz Airport on East Maple Manager Milton Berz reports having secured the services of Ralph Carmona, formerly with the Detroit City Airport as assistant instructor, Charles Baker is the field manager and chief in-

structor in the flying school. A new feature just added is a taxi service to the Detroit City Airport, this was inaugurated this week with E. N. Averill as the first passenger. Averill says the airport has promised to make him an admiral or something. Anyway the taxi service promises to be popular and helpful in these days of gasoline shortage. Manager Berz has just added another Piper Cub plane to his fleet.



By GENE ALLEMAN

If you still persist in the faith that we don't have inflation, ponder this:

Michigan state banks are bulging with money. Savings deposits of individuals have soared during the past four years, June 30, 1941 to June 30, 1945, from 448 to 1,029 million dollars. Total deposits are now 2,103 millions, of which 1,283 millions are invested in government bonds and 426 millions are in cash due from other banks and reserves from federal reserve banks.

These figures, dry as they seem, and vouched for officially by William Nelson, state banking commissioner at Lansing, attest to the degree of inflation which exists in Michigan today.

Add to this the many millions of war bonds, purchased and held by Michigan citizens, and you get a fairly good idea of the tremendous accumulation of buying power which could burst like tidal wave upon Michigan retailers after V-J Day. It indicates the seriousness of the present threat of more inflation, and it poses a problem to all thinking Americans who don't want to see their investments depreciated, and possibly wiped out, by sky-high prices.

"In the average agricultural state, such as Iowa and Nebraska, the wartime increase in individual savings deposits has been moderate," said Mr. Nelson.

"Michigan's concentration of war industry accounts in part for Michigan's savings boom. I do believe that Michigan farmers, mindful of the recent depression are more cash-minded than farmers in other states. Our rural banks show substantial increases in savings. Farmers are thrifty."

Nelson pointed to a Babson earnings index, national in scope, which showed 68.1 for the low level of 1933; 116.9 for the 1929 boom peak; and, as of Jan. 1, 1945, the record-breaking high of 198.4. Citing statistics of Michigan bank deposits compiled by his department, Nelson said, "Michigan's inflationary trend has been practically continuous since Pearl Harbor."

Other inflation signs, from reliable sources, are:

Nationally, the seventh war loan quota of 14 billions was topped by 12 billions, a total of more than 26 billions. E bond sales came within 6/10 of one per cent of the billion goal.

Americans have increased their individual assets about 65 billions since the end of 1939. They hold three times as much cash as at the end of 1939. In addition, individual holdings of government bonds have increased 35 billions.

Business enterprises, incorporated and unincorporated, have increased their holdings in cash, bank deposits and government securities by more than 40 billions since the end of 1939.

American agriculture is BIG business, so reports the U. S. department of agriculture in a new report, "The Balance Sheet of American Agriculture, 1945." Farmers' assets now total 90 billions; may be 97 to 99 billions by 1946. Cash on hand totals 11.6 billions... 188% more than farmers had just before the war... 20% increase over 1944. Liquid assets, bonds and cash, will run about 15.5 billions. Compared to this, farmers owe less than 9 billions for a net worth of about 82 billions, just 87% more than in 1941, four years ago!

Returning veterans who contemplate purchase of a farm are urged to consult the local county agricultural agent and the county land use map before signing on the dotted line. This advice comes from the agricultural committee of the Michigan state planning commission, as a result of rising price inflation of Michigan farm lands.

Quoting the financial editor of the New York Times: "The threat of inflation is greater at the present moment, on every possible evidence, than it has ever been since the Civil War."

Bank Commissioner Nelson on points to these encouraging signs:

Many people still remember the Michigan bank holiday... recall the long depression with bread lines and hard times... and are going to pay off their debts now, hold on to war bonds and bank deposits later. While some people may squander money foolishly, they're in a minority, as Nelson sees it.

A greater postwar demand for dentists than for medical doctors is predicted by Dr. Russell W. Bunting, dean of the University of Michigan dental school. Reason: Public's new awareness of importance of good teeth. Too many young men were rejected for military service because of poor dentures.

Michigan has contributed more than 2200 doctors of medicine to the armed forces, announces the Michigan State Medical Society. As of April 1 the Michigan Medi-

cal Service, cooperative insurance agency, had paid \$16,514,959 to doctors for services performed on citizen subscribers. This private medical service is financed by 777, 104 Michigan residents.

Public schools of Michigan will get more than 10 per cent increased state aid during the new fiscal year. The legislature raised this

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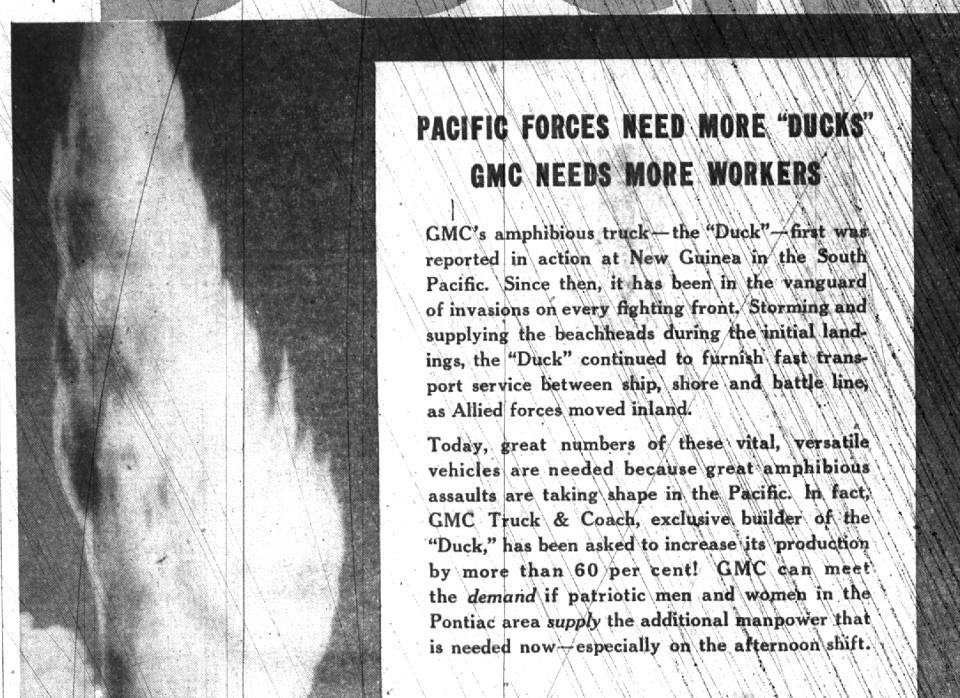
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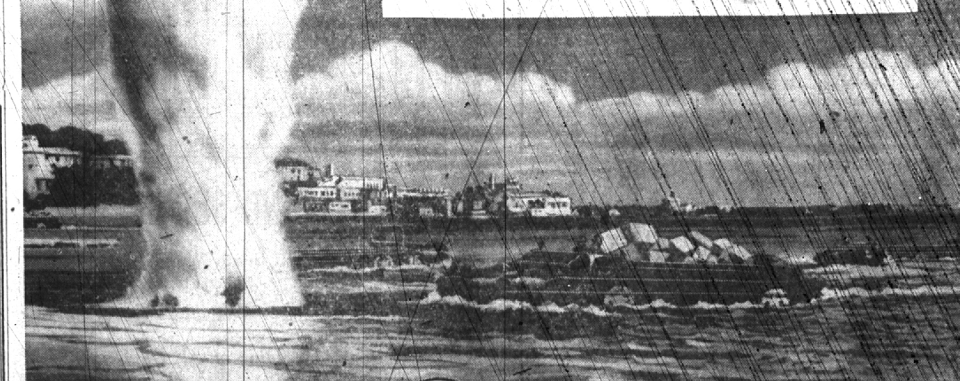
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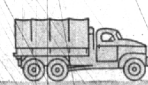
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