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THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

Who Is "Nuts"?

If you don't think that some public officials seriously need lessons on the American way of life, just read the following city ordinance...

EAT STROMBERRIES AND LIKE IT A member of the proletariat, harrumphing the crowd on the benefits of a "state economy, epitomized their material character in terms of the frequency with which stromberries and cream should be an item in the eating habits of the masses.

Among other things, determination of whether they should be allowed to operate or not is to be made on the basis of "convenience and necessity." Therefore the City thinks there ought to be some of the businesses or may!!!

This, ladies and gentlemen, is state economic planning in a nutshell. This is the kind of thing that the Communists who get their teeth into when they think it is good, why isn't more, more good? What's the next step? Where do you stop?

Savings by individuals in the United States, during the first six months of 1945, amounted to \$22,500,000,000, according to the Securities and Exchange Commission...

Analyzing what individuals saved during the second quarter, the SEC says that they increased their holdings of Government securities by \$5,100,000,000, added \$2,800,000,000 to their cash and deposits...

The figures reflect the unusual prosperity of the first half of the past year and reveal that the people of the country have added considerably to the huge backlog of spending power which they amassed earlier.

The existence of such a large volume of liquid savings, which means that they can be cashed and expended, adds to the general inflationary threat which now hovers over the nation.

SELF-GOVERNMENT ASSUMES THAT A MAJORITY of those in such a setup know enough about the realities of life to use judgment in selecting public officials...

TWO MINDS with a single thought

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Wrecked Nazi Plan

Detection of Germany's vengeance weapon, the V-1 or rocket plane, in May, 1943, is attributed to a woman, Miss Constantine Babington-Smith...

Farmers Important

"Agriculture supports one-fifth of the population and on it rests the nation's economic structure," declares George Ericson, editor of the financial pages of The Christian Science Monitor.

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"The tremendous national war debt was acquired when wages and prices were higher than in prior days. We believe these two costs should be maintained where they are...

THROUGHOUT THE PLAN OF ECONOMIC LIFE, science now claims to be able to eliminate bread from agriculture, mould, now, if science will only arrange to devise methods for jobber slices of meat in sandwiches, that, too, will be progress.

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NOTICE

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Wabek State Bank

Advertisement for Wabek State Bank, featuring a list of services and branches, including checking accounts, savings, and loans.

Yoo-Hoo! It's Only Me!



Happenings of Long Ago

5 YEARS AGO January 9, 1941. "Mr. and Mrs. Vito" and their first-born, Marcella, are the winners of the 1945 Eccentric-Sheridan first prize...

10 YEARS AGO January 9, 1936. "One of Washington's police judges sent a young woman to the house for smoking in violation of Pennsylvania law, Washington is getting entirely too good, we fear."

15 YEARS AGO January 9, 1931. "The anxiety of Venezuela to pitch in and lick the boots of John Bull is about the most amusing feature of the situation."

20 YEARS AGO January 9, 1926. "After a considerable amount of trouble the Senior Washington group has succeeded in bringing Charlie Chaplin in 'The Gold Rush' to the Baldwin auditorium tonight January 9th."

"Monday evening, January 18, is the date set by the village committee to hear objections and suggestions to the proposed widening of East Maple avenue, from Woodward avenue to the village limits at Adams Park."

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Bits of Birmingham

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Oakland County Board of Auditors

In pursuance of the requirements of sub-section 8, section 4 of the Act 275 of Public Acts of Michigan, for 1945, the Oakland County Board of Auditors, Pontiac, Michigan, herewith submit the following list of bills as approved for the month of December, 1945:

Table listing various bills and amounts for the Oakland County Board of Auditors for December 1945, including items like GMC Truck & Coach Division, Sherwin-Williams, and various local businesses.

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Notice of Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Oakland County Board of Auditors will be held on Wednesday, January 16, 1946, at the office of the Board of Auditors, 1030 Woodward Avenue, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. The meeting will be held in the following manner:

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