

Find Them, Officers! Within a year, an unknown person or persons have made shotgun attacks upon the lives of two famous labor leader-brothers...

As this is written, Detroit and State Police have not yet found the would-be assassin. They don't know whether he is a Communist...

Let us all trust that police will be successful in their efforts, and that the person or persons responsible for these despicable attempts upon the lives of the Reuther brothers will be brought to justice.

Lashing criticism at Republican members of the Legislature over their failure to levy a new corporation tax, Governor Williams is reported as saying that "I want a corporation tax, which is not a levy upon the general public."

Has the Governor failed to recall his economics? Doesn't he know that such a tax eventually becomes a levy upon all the people? Any taxed corporation that remains in business has to pass new taxes...

There is no such thing, Governor, as "an indirect corporation tax." It is the people who always pay, and pay... and keep on paying until they refuse to pay any more.

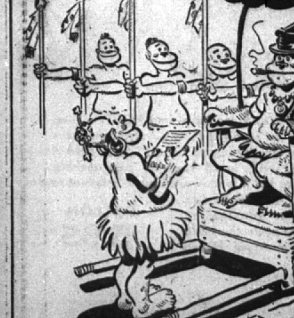
Everybody in the United States has had an opportunity at one time or another to buy a block of wood from the cherry tree "cut down by George Washington."

The souvenir hunters will probably have a similar opportunity in the future. In remodelling the White House, there will be tons of debris left over for disposal.

Probably, some astute American will buy some of it and for the next two or three centuries, descendants will be selling parts of the White House.

What It Means When You Buy Your Poppy

Last week the poppies bloomed in Birmingham just as they do in Flanders Field. If you are one of those who wore a poppy, you perhaps wonder a bit about the origin of it...



Services Not Reform Schools Two enlisted men, convicted of auto theft, were recently placed on probation by a civilian judge in Florida...

One officer pointed out that some courts have the erroneous idea that the Air Force or Army can be utilized as a huge reform school...

The officers of the Air Corps are entirely correct and they speak, we have no doubt, for officers in all branches of the services.

Certainly, it would be a monstrous custom if judges throughout the land, in sentencing men convicted of crime, would put them on probation on condition that they continue in the service of their country.

Soviet newspapers charge that the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations is an agency of the United States "monopolists."

If the economic doctrine of the Communists is correct, why is not Russia doing this rather than the United States?

It won't be long now before we will see what the bating suit manufacturers have been up to during the winter months.

It requires a smart politician to be on both sides of a hot issue—and we might name several who are this smart.

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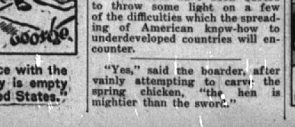
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By George Ticklers: "Great news, Chief! We can now take our place with the great nations of the world..."

By Eugene Heck: President Truman's "Fourth Poppy," suggesting our help in the raising of the standard of living of underdeveloped countries...



Happenings of Long Ago

50 YEARS AGO June 2, 1899: Whitehead pere and filé fished all day December 13 at Elizabeth Lake and came home with 27 pounds of assorted fish.

It is a well-known fact that Oakland is one of the richest counties in Michigan and equally well-known that it has the finest diamonds and antiquities country being.

20 YEARS AGO June 6, 1929: George Yaple of Highland Park has been engaged as executive secretary of the Birmingham Community House.

4 YEARS AGO June 2, 1945: J. Parkes Plasen of this village has been awarded the coveted "SI" of Michigan State College for his services as jail master.

5 YEARS AGO June 8, 1944: The annual anniversary of the founding of the YMCA was celebrated here Tuesday evening with a dinner and program at the Community House.

The directors of the Detroit Bar Association have announced the election of officers for the coming year. William Colt Allen, local attorney, has been named president of the group.

Amos F. Gregory, Lee E. Jostly, Amy Lyle, Russell Meade, George Sappington, James S. Tuttle and Charles H. Welch, Jr., are the candidates whose names will appear on the ballot for election Monday.

The various veteran organizations and their auxiliaries report an excellent sale of poppies in Birmingham this year. A total of 6,500 blooms were sold with a figure in excess of \$1,200 reported.

ANY OTHER THING... VETERANS AND PAY GI INSURANCE PREMIUMS TO AN ON MONTHLY QUARTERLY, SEMI-ANNUAL OR ANNUAL BASIS.

Frankenstein



WASHINGTON—The "hucksters" have now become the hirelings of lobbyists. Smart lobbyists know congressman's mail bags littered with always screened by staff members.

The Merchant Marine Veteran's of America have been sending congressional paper bags lettered with the slogan "Don't leave us holding the bag."

Violators are blue Co-ops dodge taxes Why can't you? They're busy figuring out new ways of influencing congressional votes.

Nothing to Fear Sponsors of the probe emphasize legitimate hobbies have nothing to fear. The prime motive for the inquiry is the confusion that surrounds the regulation of the Lobbying Act of 1946.

THE NAVAL Ordnance Test Station, Inglebrook, Calif., roughly equals the State of Rhode Island in size.

THE ECCENTRIC'S Camera Corner

Picture that seem to run "down hill" result from failure to hold the camera level. Sometimes you can correct a "tipped" horizon through careful cropping.

On the Level Parallel with the edges of your camera's viewfinder. Despite your best efforts, however, there may be times when you find you've snapped a picture in which the horizon "dips."

Michigan Mirror

By Gene Allemen The popular debate is on: Was the 1949 state legislature a "do-nothing" group? Since the legislature is dominated by Republicans, while the executive branch of the state government is Democratic...

Legislative appropriations were the highest in state history, exceeding last year's by \$56 millions—about \$40 more than anticipated revenues.

The sales and use tax acts were replacing a three-judge system with no immunity for state witnesses. Indictments must be unanimous.

The one man grand jury law was replaced by a three-judge system with no immunity for state witnesses. Indictments must be unanimous.

Congress' 74 Pages Start Their Day at 5:30 AM, End Up Around Supper Time WASHINGTON — Congressmen never had chance to leave their desks at 5:30 AM.

THE HUMAN RACE FROM HIS VANTAGE POINT IN THE PARLOR, WILFRED WATCHDOG IS A RELENTLESS ENEMY OF ROTTEN POLITICS—

