

An Editorial

# Primary Election Calls for a Vote

Next Tuesday, Aug. 3, is Primary Election Day in Michigan. When you go to your voting place you will be given the opportunity to select candidates for various public offices. These run from U.S. senator to governor, lieutenant-governor, congressman, state representative and state senator, and on down through an assortment of county offices.

You also will be asked to vote on two Birmingham propositions, one to allow the city commission to grant irrevocable permission for the laying of water mains, drains and sewers to governmental units, and to sell certain city-owned lots of E. Maple avenue.

In an accompanying editorial, we have suggested a "Yes" vote on the proposition of a one-half mill tax levy for construction of a county building and court house.

Of the local propositions Birmingham voters will find on their voting machines, one concerns an amendment to the city charter which would permit only municipal government to obtain irrevocable permits for installing sewer and water lines within city limits.

SUCH AN AMENDMENT, CITY OFFICIALS point out, is necessary to the construction and operation of the South-eastern Oakland County Water Authority, of which Birmingham is a member.

Because this amendment is very carefully worded and is necessary to the preservation of Birmingham's water supply, The Eccentric endorses the amendment and urges voters to approve it.

The other local proposition concerns the sale of six city-owned lots in East Maple Gardens subdivision (on the north side of Maple, just west of Coldlidge road).

THE PROPERTY IS NOT needed by the city, and officials have determined the property should be sold and the proceeds put into the city treasury.

Monday night this week the city commission passed a resolution declaring that if voters' approval is obtained, the lots will be sold only for single family purposes.

On this basis, The Eccentric endorses this second proposition and recommends its passage to the electors.

PERHAPS THE THREE most important offices, affecting local voters, that have more than one candidate running on the Republican ticket are those for governor, state senator and state representative.

Four Republicans are seeking your vote for governor. They include D. Hale Brake, Dr. Eugene C. Keyes, Donald S. Leonard and Owen J. (Pat) Cleary. This writer is well acquainted with all four men.

We consider them on the basis of qualifications and vote-getting powers. We like each of them. As a matter-of-fact, we had rather close relations with them during 1947-48, when this writer served as former Governor Kim Sigler's executive secretary in Lansing.

BRAKE WE BELIEVE ABLE, and while he will get many out-State votes, we hardly believe he will win, simply because he is not well enough supported in the metropolitan areas of Michigan. Keyes, a former lieutenant-governor, in the past has had a considerable following, but not as a gubernatorial candidate.

This brings us down to Leonard and Cleary. Cleary, at present secretary of state, formerly served on the Michigan liquor control commission, part of the time as chairman. He has an unblemished public record, is making a strong bid for the office, has presented a pretty good series of statements regarding Michigan's current problems and his proposals for solving them.

If he is nominated Aug. 3, and elected in November, he should be able to create administration policies and leadership reasonably acceptable to his party, and to many who, let us say, represent that independent class of voters not consistently beholden to any particular party.

NOW WE BRIEFLY ASSAY the experience and capabilities of Leonard. For 28 years he served Michigan in the State Police, starting in as a trooper and winding up as commissioner. During those years he was given a variety of other state "chore", in each of which he did well.

When he resigned from the state police to campaign for governor in 1952, and ran second in the primary to Fred M. Alger, he then accepted the post of Detroit's commissioner of police. In this position of great responsibility, he proved himself an able official.

He probably will receive the majority of Republican votes cast in Michigan's metropolitan area, and ought to capture a fair share of out-State ballots.

If nominated and elected, Leonard ought to be a better than-average governor.

IF YOU WANT TO KNOW our choice for state senator on the Republican ticket, he is William S. Broomfield, of Royal Oak. He served several terms in the House, where he was speaker pro tem. Broomfield is young, able, and industrious... qualities needed in a legislator.

Richard Van Dusen, Birmingham Republican, is running for reelection to the position of state representative for this district. We believe him worthy of your Republican vote.

As you know, on the Democratic side, Gov. Williams is unopposed in the Aug. 3 primary election. Two Democrats seek the Lieutenant-governorship, one of them being Philip S. Hart, a Birmingham citizen. He ought to obtain most of his Party's votes in this area, we believe.

Candidates for win next Tuesday will compete in the general election to be held in November.

SO PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NEXT TUESDAY, AUG. 3—IT'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PART IN SELECTING THOSE WHO WILL HAVE MUCH TO SAY ABOUT HOW YOU WILL BE GOVERNED IN THESE AS-YET FREE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA! (G.R.A.)

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# Candidates, Comments and Local Propositions

As a service to those persons who will vote in the important state primary election Aug. 3, The Eccentric presents the following information about the candidates for office and the local propositions which will be on the ballot. The several Leagues of Women Voters in the state have interviewed a number of candidates, and the direct and indirect comments which follow have been obtained from or condensed from the LWV voters' guide.

## Congress

(Candidates for the U. S. House of Representatives 18th district and U. S. Senator were asked by the LWV to give their views regarding U. S. foreign policy and the federal tax structure.)

### SENATOR Republican

HOMER FERGUSON, (incumbent), 65, Detroit, has served as U. S. Senator since 1942. He has no opposition.

### Democrat

PATRICK V. McNAMARA, 69, Detroit, is the only candidate of his party running for this office since the death of Blair Moody.

### House of Representatives 18th DISTRICT Republican

GEORGE A. DONDERO, (incumbent), 71, Royal Oak, has been a member of the U. S. Congress since 1933. He has no opposition.

### Democrat

ZIGMUND J. NIPARKO, 34, Hazel Park, teacher in the Ferndale high school, serving his third term as mayor of Hazel Park, a former member of the Hazel Park school board, Graduate of Michigan State Normal college, has attended the Wayne University Graduate school and Columbia university.

"I favor simplified, clear taxes and an \$800 personal exemption," said Niparko. "I favor technical and humanitarian aid abroad."

"I favor restoration of the excess profits tax, an overall federal aid to public school system, use of surplus commodities in a federal school lunch program, the free distribution of surplus food whenever needed and an end to the costly storage of foodstuffs."

WILLIAM A. WELSH, 55, Royal Oak, is an attorney with 24 years practice law before Michigan and federal courts. He has been public administrator of Oakland County four years and ten years as attorney for Troy township.

"I believe the theory of pouring money at the top so it may filter down is wrong in part. Both top and bottom on the economy should be protected at the same time," Welsh believes.

"I would recommend a government agency to guarantee loans to the little fellow up to \$500, on such an extent small loan agencies would become extinct."

"I would recommend legislation permitting any qualified lawyer to practice before executive agencies and departments in the U. S. government without their approval."

### Michigan

(Candidates for governor, Lt. governor, state senator and state representative were asked by the LWV to comment on Michigan's mental health problems and local-state financial relationships.)

### Governor Republican

D. HALE BRAKE, 63, Albion, former lawyer, served as state senator 1936-42, state treasurer since 1943 and operates a stock farm at Stanton.

"If it were possible to start from scratch, local-state financial relationships would be different, but the people have decided what they want the relationship to be," Brake replied.

"Theoretically, some changes might be an improvement, but it would require a constitutional amendment and you just can't get the votes. The Conlin amendment should be supported in as much as it makes changes in the distribution of sales tax money going to schools."

OWEN J. CLEARY, 54, president of Cleary (business) college, served as chairman, Michigan liquor control commission 1947-49, secretary of state from 1952 to present.

"I advocate a review of our state tax laws, looking toward a constitutional convention or amendment, to make them uniform in application," Cleary said.

"I advocate in principle the Conlin Plan as a partial solution to constantly increasing problems in the field of education."

"I advocate a program of state subsidy for driver training instruction in the schools, to apply

not only to students but non-students as well."

EUGENE C. KEYES, 53, doctor, Detroit, of Dearborn, has served as school health commissioner 10 years, Wayne county supervisor, Dearborn municipal councilman, and four years as Lt. Governor.

"Senile dementias need only limited supervision and can be placed in cottages in a colony as wards of Michigan in some one of the warmer southern states," Keyes said.

"Sales tax returns should be continued to underwrite costs of local government as relief to property taxpayers. The Conlin amendment to make payments current, based on collections, should be adopted."

Keyes advocates an expansion of toll roads.

DONALD S. LEONARD, 51, Detroit, previously commissioner Michigan state police, resigned as Detroit police commissioner to run for office.

"We need allocation of more funds for establishing outpatient clinics," said Leonard, "a screening process which will remove cases from mental institutions and place them in appropriate lower cost homes, and a continued program of research and analysis."

"Perhaps a good way of gaining a better understanding of the state aid problem would be to create a small division within one of the existing administrative departments, for gathering reliable data for use in arriving at fiscal solutions and assisting local units of government by making available standard audit procedures."

PHILIP A. HART, 41, Birmingham, resigned position as legal advisor to Governor Williams to run for office. Hart previously served as U. S. district attorney for eastern Michigan, Michigan corporations and securities commissioner and president and trustee of Michigan State Bar foundation.

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## Democratic

G. MENNEN WILLIAMS, 48, Governor of Michigan from 1948 to present, has no opposition.

## Lt. Governor

### Republican

CLARENCE A. REID, 61, of Detroit, present Lt. Governor, has no opposition.

### Democratic

GEORGE S. FITZGERALD, 52, Grosse Pointe Park, an attorney, is a state delegate to the council of social agencies, and formerly assistant prosecuting attorney for Wayne county, instructor of law at University of Detroit and member of the state social welfare commission.

"Brick and mortar is not the answer to mental health problems," Fitzgerald said. "The building of large institutions is too expensive and is ineffective. I propose the establishment of a state-wide clinical program whereby the majority of mentally ill can be treated at home and in out-patient clinics."

"Due to past confusion, it is difficult to establish an overall program to meet all problems of finance between state and local units."

"We must have a new and workable labor management relations law."

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stated. "The field of state-local financial relations is one where re-examination is urgent. I would recommend a governor's commission on state-local financial conditions where both state, local governments and the public would be represented."

"The state contributes substantial aid in financing local school districts. Consolidation should be encouraged, not alone for money savings, but to improve further the quality of education." (Continued on next page)

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