

Thursday, August 9, 1936

Only You, With Others, Can Reduce Taxes

Your tax payments to every unit of government that you support get higher and higher...

This especially is true in relation to your income taxes, plus a host of other federal taxes that enter into the cost of nearly everything you buy.

CHIEF REASON FOR THIS is the fact that, for a score of years, federal administrations have traded your dollars for your votes!

Only Russia Keeps World In Fear Of War

This great age of enlightenment and social progress—the present era—would, except for war, taxes and red-tape, look like a pretty safe harbor for U.S. citizens after 20 years of rough passage.

Religious wars are a thing of the past except in the Middle East, India and Pakistan. God and politicians don't mix any more than water with gasoline.

GREAT ADVANCES IN SCIENCE, invention and education have been made during the past 50 years.

Too Much Debt Always Results In Trouble

If we ever have another serious depression, it will be because the majority of our U.S. people believe it can never happen.

The SWISS ARE EXPERTS in banking. This banker believes the United States as well as European and South

forget that the power of a governmental unit depends upon how much money it has to spend!

UNCLE SAM, UNDER ROOSEVELT, Truman and now Eisenhower continues to try to buy peace on a cash basis.

If we in Birmingham, in Michigan, and in other States want to cut down our taxes, all we have to do is let this be known emphatically enough to our elected Congressmen—they generally respond to public opinion.

tyrants, and should have left us a generation of peace, but that did not come about. Why? Because our leaders helped put Stalin in Hitler's saddle.

THEY ARE NOW SETTING UP a sly decoy, used by demagogues for centuries, a bait wherewith to paralyze the free world into helplessness.

Let us not permit the hope for peace to lull us to a sleep from which we might never awaken.

American countries are "living beyond their means." In short, people everywhere are going too deep in debt.

GOVERNMENTS—OR POLITICIANS—cannot prevent war. They encourage huge farm surpluses.

But, oh, yes!, they will surely pull the right levers to prevent depressions! So they wishfully say.

Most Accurate Forecast We've Heard



NATURE NOW

Blueberry Offers Vacation Treat

By LYDIA KING FRETSE, Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

BOYNE CITY.—To many of us who vacation in Michigan's north woods country, blueberry pie is tops on the menu.

ITS FRUITING TIME, which extends from the July through August, coincides with the peak of our vacation season.

THE COASTAL REGION of Maine furnishes most of our blueberries for canning.

AS ITS NAME implies, it is a taller species reaching a height of six feet.

From The Eccentric's Point of View...

It is recently reported by a U of M authority that Michigan has more native species of trees than all of the entire continent of Europe.

Michigan State University recently hired a young woman to assist male members of its campus police force to maintain law and order.

Michigan's prisons continue to be so jammed that state officials now talk about building another shelter in which to house

law violators. It appears, then, that the status of our free society as yet cannot prevent innocent little babies from growing up into evil adults.

Guardians of a 79-year-old former Detroit male are suing a dancing school there for over \$11,000, which the aged gent paid out for lessons.

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By George



This is wonderful—one of the twins wants uncle to kiss him good night!

Happenings of Long Ago

Bits of News Gleaned From Old Files of The Eccentric—The Historical Background of The Birmingham Of Today.

50 YEARS AGO August 10, 1906 From a speech to the Michigan Rural Letter carriers' annual convention...

So many automobiles break down in front of A. F. Wilcox's place that it will soon be necessary to start a lively down there or put in a public telephone pay station for the automobilists...

30 YEARS AGO August 5, 1925 In a very decided manner Thursday of last week Birmingham electors went to the polls and approved three bond issues...

ONE THING OR ANOTHER By George Wm. Averill

Don Egbert's July 29 reception and dinner drew friends from many places in Southeast Michigan.

George Higgins (Michigan Turnpike authority chairman).

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Barnard (he was Troy's long-time supervisor, city manager, now clerk of the county board of supervisors).

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen (he is Birmingham's last village president, first mayor and father of present mayor, James C. Allen).

Miss Carrie Stoddard, now of Fenton (she was Birmingham's only policewoman for many years).

Mr. and Mrs. Harold K. Schone (he is our new city manager).

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Seaholm (he is Birmingham's board of education president) and their wife.

John E. Martz, Milton F. Mallender, Ray Palmer, and Chad M. Ritchie. But perhaps Egbert was proudest of all of these two signatories, "Lee" and "Jill".

When it comes to predictions, I'm just as fallible as the next guy. But I feel like one coming on regarding two teenage singers from Detroit.

They are Jerry Ansama and Nan Troeter, who volunteered several solo and duet numbers for Egbert's farewell dinner. They already are doing some radio, TV and small orchestra engagements.

Advertisement for Elliott Upholstery, featuring 'SUPER SIZE SUPER CLEAR SUPER BRIGHT' and 'Supersnap PRINTS only 5¢'.

Large advertisement for The Birmingham National Bank, featuring 'SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES' and 'PROTECT YOUR VALUED POSSESSIONS'.

Jerry's aunt, Mrs. Waino Ansama, 1387 Melton, Birmingham, has done some part time work on voting registration records for the city clerk's office here.

Those of you who voted in Tuesday's primary can move on into the rest of the reading in today's Eccentric. These concluding remarks are directed to those "armchair citizens" who didn't vote because "the primary really isn't important and besides, my vote won't be missed."

GOV. WILLIAMS WON his second term in Lansing by just 1,154 ballots out of a total of 1,869,150 cast. This was a margin of about one vote for every three election precincts!

Two years later, he kept his executive post by 8,618 votes of the 2,855,168 total. In those elections, if you were one of those who did or did not vote, yours may have been one of the deciding ballots!

YOU ENDORSED OR REJECTED the candidates your party organization recommended. Through the primary, YOU decided, however indirect it seemed, who is to be your party's candidate for public office come this November 6.

We each have our part to play in this exercise of our cherished freedom to express our political preference. A wise man once put it this way: "The moral man, by living a life of simple truth and earnestness alone can help to bring peace and order in the world."

POSITION WANTED!



He hasn't had a trail to follow in a dog's age — no housebreaker has made off with anything valuable in his neighborhood.

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