

Karl Marx, father of Communism, wrote: "The democratic content of man is false because it is Christian..." Perhaps this will provide you with a clue as to why Communism drew God, why they operate their domestic and international affairs on the principle of hate, why they place man below the State.

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Better Bite Will Result

"OPEN WIDE" WAS the command given by Mrs. Eunice Van Dyke, (right) dental hygienist who began application of fluoride to the teeth of Birmingham school children Monday morning. From left are Tom Andersen, Linda Buchanan, Eric Pedersen and Jan Upward, students at Pierce and Beverly schools. The fluoridization treatments were inaugurated by the board of education this fall, after parents indicated they wanted the program. Mrs. Van Dyke said about 70 per cent of the parents of second and fifth grade children have elected the treatment for their youngsters.

This and That

by George R. Averill

Salmon Fishing on Famous Miramichi

Returned two weeks ago from a brief salmon fishing trip on the Southwest Miramichi River, in New Brunswick, north and east of the state of Maine. The far-flung wooded areas in the vicinity of Boistown, 45 miles north of that Canadian Province capital city, Fredericton, were beginning to reveal the lovely variety of fall coloring that, too, invades our Michigan. Boistown is 470 miles from Boston.

A fighting Atlantic silver salmon, leaping out of this wide Miramichi watered against the colorful wooded background makes a pretty nice picture.

JACK TAYLOR, 988 Madison, and I spent six days at the comfortable resort owned by Clayton Stewart, known as Griff-Inn. Good private cabin, plenty of appetizing food, quiet nights for restful sleep, and, within sight, the wide valley through which courses New Brunswick's famed salmon river, Miramichi, an Indian word meaning "river of peace."

Clayton arranges canoe and guide, if you don't want to wade for your fishing. The Miramichi is claimed to be one of the world's finest salmon streams, and both Taylor and I have little doubt of its truth.

I say this even though our own catch was not up to standard, for half of our six days of fishing was spent while a cold, windy rain was falling.

CANOE ARE USED by most fishermen, with the guide standing up while maneuvering it through quiet and rapid waters. Our fishing was mostly with wet flies, and

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Business Phase Of Torch Drive Starts Oct. 10

Businessmen in the area will be first to launch their phase of the 1956 Torch Drive for Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin following a mass preparatory meeting of campaign leaders at Great Lakes Tractor & Equipment Co., Oct. 10.

Garvin Bawden, Jr., chairman of the commerce, professional and industry committee, said: "We are getting away to a head start primarily because of the importance of the chapter-giving plan, which permits a business or a group to organize chapters through which individuals may spread their contributions over a yearly basis."

Bawden named these team captains: Arthur Blakelee, Don Carlin, Wayne L. Combs, Donald W. Hacker, Carl Ingraham, Claude L. Kidd, Jr., James H. Moore, Henry Sellers, David J. Underdown and Gordon Walker.

THE BUSINESS group will join the government committee, under Elmer L. Sylvester, and the schools committee, under Edwin Kibbert, in the planning meeting Wednesday evening to discuss the campaign.

Women leaders of the campaign are completing plans for the largest program to launch a United Foundation drive here. Hundreds of workers are expected to attend the special "kickoff tent" at Oakland Hills country club Oct. 16.

City representatives have been attempting for some months to negotiate purchase of the extra width, needed when the city opens its two new Hamilton parking lots. Property owners, however, decided to force condemnation proceedings, claiming city offers were too low.

FRANK E. BRIDGMAN

Masons Propose To Build New Lodge At W. Maple Corner

The request of the Birmingham Masonic Temple for resumption of property at Arlington and W. Maple roads was referred by city commissioners Monday night to the planning board.

The lodge plans to build a new three-story structure on the property, which they are purchasing from Ralph and Grace Corryell, of Pontiac. When it meets in mid-October, the planning board will be asked to change present zoning classification of single to multiple to permit the move.

Building committee member Robert E. Cecil, of the Birmingham lodge, said eventual plans are to sell the present Victorian structure to S. Woodward.

To Develop Details on Financing 23 Projects Will Compare Bond, Cash Payment Plans

In a special committee session following Monday's regular meeting, Birmingham city commissioners called for projections of two plans for the financing of a \$1.1 million list of 23 backlogged city projects.

They asked City Manager Harold Schone and Finance Director James Purkiss to determine:

- 1) Whether a pay-as-you-go plan would be possible, or
- 2) If a bonding program should be launched and what its costs would be.

The commission's hour-long discussion ended in the consensus that in either event, five projects should get top priority:

RELIEF SEWERS on Chester, Wallace and Lincoln, on Bird, Smith, Davis, and Enmons, and in Quanton Lake estates subdivision.

Widening of E. Maple between Hunter and Adams, and Alterations to the first floor and basement of the municipal building.

These projects would cost an estimated \$227,000 of the \$1.1 program, with the city bearing a \$155,000 share, to be installed over a maximum three-year period.

COMMISSIONERS evidenced a fear that if the cash payment plan were used, it would exhaust present city reserves as well as tie up all these funds' income for three years.

This, Schone warns, would start building up another backlog of projects.

He has recommended the bonding program, which for city's share as well as for private owners' contributions. A public vote would be in favor of this plan.

By bonding, he explained, the projects could be constructed all at once, and the property owners were given up to 10 years to pay their special assessments.

SOME OF THE projects, the commission learned, would cost residents in an assessment districts several hundreds of dollars each, which some people may have a difficult time paying.

Schone and Purkiss will project the cash payment method so the commission can get a clear idea of what would happen to city cash reserves the next three years and how much more money would have to be paid each year in principal and interest charges.

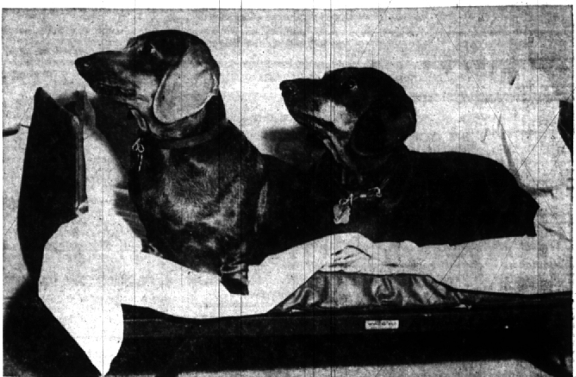
It was briefly mentioned that should the bond plan prove to be the most advantageous, perhaps

PROFESSOR FOUND the store empty after he made a U-turn and entered the establishment immediately. A second patrol car, driven by Patrolman Jack Kalbfleisch, arrived at the scene immediately after and covered the store's rear entrance.

Holmquist asked that anyone near the store, between 9:45 and 10:55 p.m. Wednesday to report to the police if he noticed a car or anything suspicious in the store's vicinity.

The burglars first entered the Jean Morton millinery shop adjacent to the furriers, Holmquist said, in an attempt to avoid setting off the alarm inside the Roberts front door.

WHEN THEY FAILED to break through a wall into the fur shop, they removed the lock from the door of the Roberts store, and quietly pulled the fur pieces from three racks. Their fast exit was facilitated by a concrete block placed to hold the front door ajar.



Royal Pair

DOG CANYI HELD just beyond camera range prompted the rapt expression on the faces of this royal pair, Princess Wilhelmina X (left) and Duchess Elisa. The princess, known affectionately as "Willy," boasts a rare silver coat, and is one of a handful of such dachshunds in the United States. Chances of this kind of mutation—which produces the unusual coat—is only one in over many thousands. Willy is one of seven puppies born to Duchess five years ago. The regal pair belong to retired Admiral and Mrs. Rutledge B. Tompkins, of 1001 N. Adams, Birmingham.

Banking Hours To Be Discussed Tomorrow Night

Possible effects of new banking hours on Birmingham's business economy will be discussed tomorrow night at a conference committee meeting at Bloomfield Hills country club.

Chamber of Commerce representatives will be President Arthur Blakelee, Mrs. Florence Douglas, Richard Wilson and John Maynard.

For the newly merged Detroit Bank & Trust Co. will be President Ray T. Ferring, Executive Vice President Charles H. Hewitt, Senior Vice President H. H. Gard, and Vice President in charge of personnel, William F. Hall.

ON BEHALF of the C. of C. Blakelee recently wrote Ferring about the new banking hours, which exclude Saturday and Friday evenings.

Blakelee said the businessmen here fear an adverse economic impact will result, and have suggested the bank at least remain open part of Friday evenings.

Monday Last Day To Register for Nov. 6 Election

Birmingham city clerk's office is maintaining special hours on the final four days of registration for the coming Nov. 6 election.

Today, tomorrow and Monday the office will be open until 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Registrations must be made by the Oct. 8 deadline.

If you are doubtful whether you still are registered (because you have moved to a new city precinct or have not voted in several past elections), play safe and check with the clerk's office.

Office Is Moved

Birmingham's branch office of the Michigan secretary of state is moving to a new quarters at 378 Palm street. Palm is just two blocks long, immediately west of Hunter and south of Forest.

ERNEST R. BRECH

REV. DR. HARRIS

Woman Witness Identifies Self

After reading in The Birmingham Eccentric last week that she was being sought as a "missing witness," a Bloomfield township woman came forward Friday to supply her account of what happened Sept. 4 to 10-year-old Bruce Wright.

The woman is Mrs. R. L. Marquis, 1553 Island Lane.

Monday afternoon she met with C. W. Videan, attorney for Mr. and Mrs. Bruce A. Wright, to describe to him the portion of the accident she saw.

Bruce was hit by a car coming in the opposite direction as he tried to cross Franklin road at Sodon Lake drive after he got off a school bus.

"I am extremely grateful over the results of The Eccentric's story last week," Videan said. "Mrs. Marquis told me all she could. She explained to me that she did not think it necessary to remain there since there were several other persons at the scene."

Ziegler not Expected at X'way Talk

Charles Ziegler, State highway commissioner, was not expected to attend the public meeting Wednesday night at Southfield high school. The Eccentric learned Tuesday.

Ziegler, in a telephone conversation to one of our readers, was quoted as saying he would not be at the meeting but was sending his delegates, Chief Deputy Highway Commissioner George Foster and Chief Engineer Carlos Weber.

The person called by the highway commissioner, said Ziegler, stated that the proposed Southfield freeway would definitely "not go up Lasher road."

"IT DOESN'T make any difference to us whether Mr. Ziegler is there (at Wednesday's meeting) or not," said Daniel Giaran, chairman of Southfield-Bloomfield association which is protesting the road's proposed route, and also sponsored Wednesday's meeting.

"His top officials, Foster and Weber, will be there and they will be speaking for the highway commissioner," Giaran added.

Giaran's group had a highly-organized program ready for Ziegler and his aides. During the meeting (which took place after The Eccentric's deadline) 20 persons were to be called upon to ask one question each about the route. The meeting was then to be opened to public discussion.

ONE OF the questions to be asked was, "How ready to completion are the other routes under study and can you tell us where these routes will be located?"

A source close to Ziegler said that studies of three routes, as required by the Federal Bureau of Roads, were near completion, but that no new route locations would be made known until all three surveys are completed.

Heads UN Week

Major James C. Allen Tuesday appointed Mrs. Robert Applegate, of 1363 S. Eldon road, as chairman of United Nations week in Birmingham. United Nations day will be Wednesday, Oct. 24, with observance planned from Oct. 21 through 27.

STRICTLY FRESH

Bachelors should remember that after the altar comes alteration.

Harassed fathers know that the college sheepskin is no cheap skin.

In Styning, England, the town clock struck 300 times at 2 p.m.

before someone stopped it. Residents thought the millennium had come.

School is the place where many road and excellent students occasionally get lost.

All mail of user reply mailboxes must be returned to the Birmingham Post-Dispatch, P.O. Box 100, Birmingham, Ala. 35202.