



**People's Column**

**Likes Editorial About Inflation**

To the Editor: The editorial in 'This and That' column of the May 13th issue of The Eccentric titled 'More Production Alone Will Halt Inflationary Trends' is as it is, and I am sure, of stating the full story of the higher wage-higher price picture.

Having in my experience been on 'both sides of the fence'—employer and employee—I share your apprehension of the cumulative effects of ever higher wages without increasing production and I can say, being a member of a labor union, that many union members as well as management personnel are similarly apprehensive.

Where you stopped short is, that in the United States for some years, business large and small, union and non-union, have laboriously worked out profit-sharing plans of operation that actually result in the goal you plead for—greater productivity on the part of labor each hour of every day.

THESE BUSINESSMEN are so enthusiastic about the favorable results from such operation, that they have an organization, the Council of Profit-Sharing Industries, the main purpose of which is to spread the 'gospel' of more productivity at less cost. (Incidentally these programs result, too, in production of the unbelievable—higher earnings to employees, higher dividends, lower production costs, lower selling prices.) The Council issues ever so often a 'Manual' that details the most intimate figures of the operations of many of the members and shows how the plans operate. Most every public library has a copy of this 'Manual.'

To illustrate the marked difference between operations under the increase-price-increase methods and profit-sharing methods, two illustrations came out in the public press early last year.

ONE WAS the new contract signed by Detroit Typographers Union with Detroit Newspapers after a strike of some forty days. At the time the new contract was signed a Detroit printer was receiving, in round numbers, \$6,000 a year. The new contract provided for increases that figure at \$251.40 a year. All of this \$251.40 goes in as additional labor costs, which, with overhead and profit percentages added can't do anything but raise the selling price of advertising, subscriptions, etc.

About the time this new contract was signed an article appeared in the Saturday Evening Post showing details of the Sears, Roebuck and Company operations under profit sharing. Figures were given in the case of one employee, among others, whose yearly wages approximated the Detroit printer, \$5,500.

For the latest year figures were available the Sears employee received \$880.00 as his share of the profits for that year, 16 per cent of his wages. None of this \$880.00 (I repeat NONE of it) was charged in as additional labor costs, it came out of profits. Not only were labor costs and selling prices not increased, but the incentive to the Sears employee to give his all to the job, that is easily understandable, lowers production costs thus saving the way for lower selling prices along with higher profits.

ISN'T THAT the answer, Mr. Editor, to your plea? After all, what these profit sharing business are doing is taking a long established policy of industry—giving bonuses to some executives and often sales people—and applying it to all employees, from president to sweeper, with the very important difference that bonuses are paid from profits.

Thus you have a condition where everyone in the organization, not

just executives and sales people, are giving their all to the job and that is where the difference lies, and that is why profit-sharing operations is the proven, safe, reliable method of getting us economically 'out of the woods.' Incidentally don't the labor unions hint at the soundness of the profit sharing plans when in their insistence on the inclusion of 'cost of living index' clauses in contracts, they admit it is fair and just for wages to be LOWERED if living costs are lowered? They certainly shouldn't object if the employees earnings are INCREASED and living costs lowered at the same time.

A UNION MAN

**Well Running Dry?**

To the Editor: It is to be hoped that the revolt against tax—tax—tax, spend—spend tactics will embrace this Birmingham community as it has other places, before the well runs dry.

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Notice is hereby given to the qualified Electors of Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, that an annual election will be held on Monday, June 10, 1957, in the Vaughan School Building, on Vaughan Road, in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

For the election of the following trustees:  
Merrill O. Bates—three year term expiring June, 1960  
Douglas L. Jocelyn—three year term expiring June, 1960

The polls for the said election will be open from 7:00 o'clock A. M., and remain open until 8:00 o'clock P. M., Eastern Standard Time, of the same election day.  
Dated May 13, 1957.

Douglas L. Jocelyn, Secretary  
Bloomfield Hills Board of Education

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