

Reader Laments LBJ Victory as Leading to Evil

To the Editor:

No doubt you are receiving many notes and letters echoing my own plaintive chant... what a lamentable thing has come to pass—or has it?—in the election of Johnson, Humphrey (double woe and tears) and the whole Democratic Administration.

I have asked myself—have I let my emotions override my intellect in hoping for and backing a Goldwater, Miller, Republican victory? I think not. I hope not!

Am I and many others misreading the signs which seem to lead to socialism in this country as in England. I hope we are but think we are not.

I SHOULD NEVER wish evil on anyone, but if sometimes "good results from evil," I hope the present administration proves evil and that the resultant good may be a reawakening in the general public that it is the public (people) who must govern themselves, stand firm in the fight for personal liberties, live less for the world and the flesh and more for the spirit.

A general rule of thumb to me has always been that you either push or get pushed, lead or be led, rule or be ruled, love or be loved, act or be acted upon. Shall we the people rule or be ruled—govern or be governed?

No one can deny the facts of "chiefs and indians." They exist from Cub Scout groups to Big Government. But each must be ruled by its members thus making it democratic.

I can find no compatibility between democracy and the present foreign policy which more and more appeases and concedes to Communism.

AS REGARDS the election, you simply cannot defeat PROSPERITY. Let's face it—what man or woman wants change when he or she is making a good living and has a full belly. I'm with that too.

But at the expense of losing God-given freedoms (the end result if we are headed toward Socialism and eventual Communism)?

An emphatic NO! I feel things have been taken from me already: taxes (I qualify that—an unjust—amount of taxes), another compulsory paycheck deduction—Medicare (very soon to be effected), the right to discriminate (to hire or fire whomever I choose—with a clear moral and social conscience).

Space and time permit no more and so I remain a disappointed but not yet discouraged.

Janeye Browne
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APPROVING NEW RATE SCHEDULE

Peter B. Spivak (left) of Michigan Public Service Commission and Walker L. Cislak of Detroit Edison Co.

EFFECTIVE DEC. 1

Rates Reduced by Edison

The Michigan Public Service Commission has given approval to the Detroit Edison Co. for a reduction in electric rates amounting to \$3,750,000 per year. The new rate schedule has been under joint study by the staff of the commission and Detroit Edison for several months.

The announcement was made jointly by Peter B. Spivak, chairman of the Michigan Public Service Commission, and Walker L. Cislak, chairman of the board of Detroit Edison.

The officials pointed out that the reduction would be of greatest benefit to residential customers using more than 500 kilowatt hours per month and to commercial customers. These changes will be effective for service rendered on and after Dec. 1.

THE LAST Detroit Edison rate

increase was in 1949—15 years ago. Since that time the company has decreased residential rates on two occasions—in 1959 and in 1963. These rate decreases, together with the greater use of electricity have lowered the average cost, per kilowatt hour, to residential customers by 15 per cent since 1949.

A number of factors have made it possible for Detroit Edison management to hold the line and actually reduce electric rates during these 15 years. One of the most important is the increased use of electric energy by its customers.

This use more than doubled in the case of residential customers has permitted Detroit Edison to build larger and more efficient generating plants and to pool generating capacity and exchange power on an economic basis with other large electric systems. Other important factors are increased efficiency in

the burning of fuel and the cooperation of railroads in reducing the transportation charges on fuel from the mines.

IN A JOINT statement on the rate change, Spivak and Cislak said: "We are always pleased to cooperate on matters that have an advantageous effect upon the economy and well-being of Michigan."

"It has been a traditional policy at Detroit Edison to pass on to our electric customers a fair share in the economies that management has been able to achieve," Cislak added.

"When rate reductions encourage greater use of electric energy, this in turn helps to reduce the cost of production to offset inflationary trends.

"In this way Detroit Edison and electric systems actually work together for a mutual goal."

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

'Popular Opinion' Myth Struck by Goldwater Follower

To the Editor: It does not appear to me that Sen. Goldwater went down in crushing defeat, especially when taking into consideration all the adverse publicity he received from the press, magazines and the ever-delightful news commentators.

For Sen. Goldwater to have been supported by 26,171,831 "thinking Americans," who bothered to look behind the lines, cannot possibly signify crushing defeat. When we also realize that many Americans shudder at the word Communism

and will do, or are willing to do nothing that might make our life-friends angry; we can understand why, since the Communist papers, including the "Daily Worker," asked for the defeat of Sen. Goldwater, the majority of Americans voted as they did.

It might be interesting to note that popular opinion was also with Hitler and Mussolini, plus a more recent Juan Peron.

Janet Gates
Royal Oak

Church's Influence Felt in Elections

To the Editor: It is evident that the church has played a significant part in the past two presidential elections by telling its members how to vote. If the church is allowed to be so very influential in governmental affairs, then it should be required

to pay income tax and property tax. This would help to relieve the tax burden on the individual and give the church a "legal voice" in governmental affairs.

Mrs. Myrna Orava
Bloomfield Hills
(A church member)



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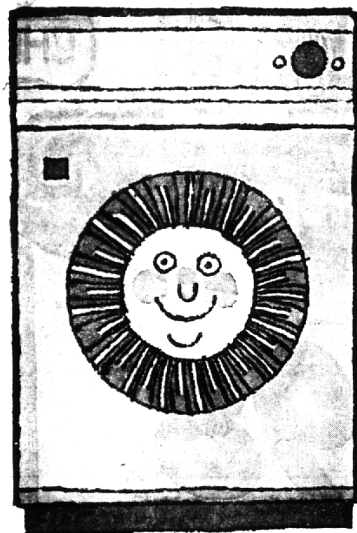
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