

Talk Of Our Town
Death Blow?

BY JIM POWERS

THE CINCINNATI COUNCIL campaign doesn't seem to have caused much of a stir, but it will be a critical election in more ways than one. It could be the death blow to the Charter Committee, in the view of one person in the inner circle of local politics.

The Republicans are generally conceded to be able to maintain their majority of five — by realists, anyway — so the chief question is the distribution of the four remaining seats, now split two-between the Democrats and Charterites.

Charter Councilman Charles Taft is a dead clinch to be re-elected, but his Charter colleague in the present Council, Dorothy Dolbey, is not running. Mrs. Marjorie Manning has taken her place on the Charter ticket. Since this is the first time she has been in the race, her vote-getting powers are unknown.

The Democrats are counting on returning incumbents John Gilligan and Thomas Spraul and they are hoping to elect a third, which would reduce the Charter representation to one.

It would be hard for a political party to exist for long with only one elected official out of a potential nine.

THERE IS NO CONNECTION, but Joe Becker, Democratic candidate, has sold his race horse. But he's still in the Council race.

PARTING NOTE: A Walnut Street record shop reduced the price of an album by Cincinnati's Rosemary Clooney and Jose Ferrer from \$3.98 to \$2.50 following their divorce. Title: "The Ferrers At Home."

QUOTING FROM AN anonymous letter:

"If you will interview property owners along the proposed route of the Northeast

Expressway, you will find that a well known real estate broker is making a solicitation ahead of the city in quite an unethical manner — contrary to the best interest of the public."

Dear Sir or Madam: The general route of the Northeast Expressway, if and when it is built, has been publicized for years. The route is subject to change. If any property owners get hooked, it's their own fault.

SEVERAL GOOD Samaritans came forward after the Talk of the Town item about Lee Williams and the derelict cat which he had repaired at a cost of \$30. Howard Jones, 3046 Minot Ave., sent \$5, which was forwarded to Lee. Others asked his address. It's 235 East Ohio Pike, Amelia, Ohio.

THINGS HAVEN'T been too bad for former Newport Chief of Police George Gugel and Chief of Detectives Leroy Fredericks since they retired. (They were later deposed by Gov. Bert Combs after ouster hearings in Frankfort.) Mr. Gugel joined his son in a prosperous cigarette vending machine business in Northern Kentucky. The son, Bill, has never been involved one way or the other in vice operations, according to a well informed source, and has a going concern. Mr. Fredericks is pursuing a heating plant installation business, with which he was associated before his "retirement." He has been confined with the flu for the past couple weeks, but it's nothing serious.

THREE CINCINNATI businessmen went to see "The Alamo" at the Times Theater some days ago. One had to leave before the show ended. Next day he opened a telephone conversation with one of the others by asking: "How did that show turn out? Did those guys ever get out of the fort?"

World Beat
Indians Knew

BY DAVE ROBERTS

A BURBANK, CALIF., couple, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tiedeman, thought surely they'd be able to find buckeyes in Cincinnati.

"It's Ohio's state tree," Mr. Tiedeman told me. "Ohioans are known as Buckeyes." But we've been looking everywhere in stores and shops—and we haven't been able to find a single nut. We simply can't go home without some."

I promised that I'd have a few the next morning—before they flew away to Florida and other points in the Eastern states.

But I let 'em down. I searched the ground beneath a dozen buckeye trees, but turned up nothing but empty husks. The squirrels and the chipmunks had beaten me to the fruit.

ALL THIS ACTIVITY interested me. I did some digging into the tree books in our library to learn additional details.

I suppose every youngster who's roamed the woodlands of the Ohio Valley, especially in September, has come home with at least one pocketful of buckeyes. There's a sort of mystery about these beautiful, symmetrical products of Mother Nature which endears them to all lovers of our wooded hills.

The Indians, apparently, respected the buckeye. I'm told the nuts were dried and ground and that the powder thus obtained—in the eyes of many Indian tribes—was a magic potion.

Carry buckeyes in your pocket and you'll never have any "rheumatiz," old timers used to say, nodding their wise old heads.

Strange to say, both encyclopedias to which I referred were hazy on the subject of buckeyes. They classed them with horse chestnuts—which is proper—but beyond that the tree was unclassified. I had to go to Simon and Schuster's "Trees" for fuller information.

Ohio's state tree is native, not only to Ohio, but to a fairly large section of the East, including, and immediately west of,

the Appalachians. They occur, in the wild state, as far north as Lake Erie, as far west as the Mississippi Valley and southward into Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

IN READING THIS I discovered—much to my surprise—that the buckeye also is native to almost the entire state of California, where Mr. and Mrs. Tiedeman make their home.

Learning that, I called to advise them that they could find the nuts they sought right in their own back yards—a thing which surprised them, too!

Despite the fact that they are of the same family, horse chestnuts and buckeyes have many points of dissimilarity. The horse chestnut leaf has seven separate fingers. The buckeye usually has five. The horse chestnut leaf is much coarser and often is larger. Its candle-like flowers are larger than those of the buckeye, and the husks of its seed nuts are spiny whereas those of the buckeye are smooth.

The buckeye itself gets its name from the fact that the nut resembles the eye of a buck whitetail deer—with its eye almost pure white; its "ball" a very dark, rich brown. The eye of the horse chestnut nut is larger, yellowish and the ball itself is a lighter brown.

SQUIRRELS ARE FOND of buckeyes. This I know from years of squirrel hunting. Whether or not the little graytails go for horse chestnuts, I can't say.

Horse chestnuts are not native to this country. They were brought into Central Europe from the Balkans, and thence to the United States and Canada.

For some unexplained reason, the books tell me, the nectar from the flowers of the California buckeye is poisonous to bees—which, for apiarists, presents a pretty problem!

At any rate, there's a short story of buckeyes for Buckeyes.

But people of California also may learn something by reading it.

Your Health
Bomb Safety

BY DR. VAN DELLEN

WE SHOULD become more realistic and less panicky about the possibility of thermonuclear war. A 20 megaton hydrogen bomb is a terrible weapon.

It creates a blast pressure up to 10 pounds per square inch over an area of 725 square miles. Most buildings in the United States would collapse at a pressure of 2 pounds per square inch.

In addition, houses may catch fire up to 25 miles from the place where the bomb strikes. This area covers 1900 square miles. Radiation also is a threat. The area of the damage from the blast would be contaminated at one hour after the explosion with 5000 R or more.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—The early test catches the complication.

The lethal dose for man is 450 R for six minutes. In other words, get to a shelter as quickly as possible. Even a bomb that lands 50 miles away is dangerous.

A BASEMENT or underground shelter is cheaper and safer than a blast-resistant house. The house would need walls and ceilings of 20 inches of poured concrete or three feet of earth. Windows nullify the resistance of the house. The blast will go through them; even though the house remains, the inhabitants would be killed.

On the other hand, if a

building is reinforced to resist 10 pounds of pressure (instead of two) the survival chance increases 87%. The cost of such a venture goes up 20%.

IT IS TOO expensive to make an existing home fireproof, especially if made of wood.

It could be painted white to reflect heat or remodeled to replace the siding with brick, aluminum, or asbestos shingles. Nonflammable window shades and curtains should be used. And don't forget to clear up the rubbish in the yard.

New homes should be built with all available materials to protect against fire and blast. This is not silly nor a sign of cowardice. It is just common sense.

KIDNEY TEST

V. I. writes: What is the dehydration test which is done in the eighth or ninth month of pregnancy?

A: I assume you refer to the kidney test in which the physician determines how well the renal organs can concentrate urine. This is an important function of the kidneys, so that the fluid content of our tissues can be preserved. Otherwise we might lose all the water in the body every time we urinated.

HEAD LOWERING

H. C. writes: What is the purpose of putting the head lower than the body when a person faints?

A: To bring blood to the brain and other important organs via gravity.

Today's Prayer
Cloud Analyzer

BY DR. JOHN MARVIN RAST

General Electric physicists have devised for the Navy an instrument which indicates the thickness, height and density of clouds.

From a weather balloon in which this cloud analyzer is carried into the upper atmosphere, it radios weather data to a ground receiver at the rate of 120 times a minute.

In the spirit realm we have One who has tested all the clouds which hover above us and through which we may be called to pass.

Coasting in Him we are assured that we shall emerge victorious however dark and forbidding the day.

"The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overpowered it." (John 1:5, Weymouth)

We would draw from Thee, Savior, light for our darkness, hope for our doubt. Teach us the secret of Thy peace amid storm and stress.



PLAN 93rd YEAR FETE—St. Francis Church and school hall, Liberty and Vine Sts., will be the locale November 12 for the 93rd anniversary celebration of the St. Elizabeth Aid Society of St. Mary Hospital. Planning the event, left to right above, are Miss Gertrude Buse, recording secretary; George Tenoever, vice president; Miss

Helen Doyle, financial secretary; Sister M. Elizabeth, St. Mary Hospital administrator; Ambrose Scheve, treasurer, and Robert Toerner, president. Religious services at 2 p. m. will preface the festival of booths, social pastimes and refreshments. These last in charge of the ladies of St. Francis Parish.

Walter Winchell

Big Town Patter

JACKIE GLEASON'S 26th Capitol album "Lover's Portfolio" . . . The Hollywood talk that the Tuesday Weld-Gary Lockwood romance is puffblow. Which it isn't . . . The late Chico Marx who gambled away at least a million dollars . . . He'd wager on anything . . . The little Japanese batteries currently flooding the market. They are unloaded here for a dime each. In Tokyo they sell at 15c . . . Robert Weede and Molly Picon in the "Milk and Honey" musical hit . . . The soon-due show "Kean" starring Alfred Drake. Locals who caught the new entry out of town report that the frocks on the gals are so low "the first few rows should be charged double" . . . The viewtiful color shots of New York in "West Side Story." They explain this colyum's many valentines to The Magic City.

JUNE HAVOC'S good-will ambassadoring (in the State Dept sponsored tour) which is making happy-talk among showfolks and at the White House . . . Sandy Nelson's (Imperial Records) platter of "Let There Be Drums." A new-comer drummer who may threaten the thrones of Gene Krupa and Buddy Rich . . . "Let's Pretend," a natural for teevee after 20 years of being a tot's classic on radio . . . Journal-American editor George Carpozi Jr.'s article in True mag in Feb. 1960. It dealt with a Danish diplomat's mysterious death. The newspapers finally got around to "wondering" if it was murder or suicide last week . . . The unhappy reaction of the London critics to B'way's "Do-Me-Mi." Panned it over there . . . The scissoring most of the lesbian footage from Mel Ferrer's film "Blood and Roses."

N. Y. TIMES critic Taubman's rave of "How To Succeed" which had to be revised in later editions. Because he misidentified the Grieg Piano concerto (used in one bit) as Tchaikowsky's . . . And he was that journal's music critic for over a decade! . . . Lovely Bonnie Scott's contribution to that honey-of-a-show . . . A year ago the critics defeated "Vintage 60" in which she sparkled. Now they all adore her . . . Critics can be beautiful . . . When you have Talent . . . The "Better Red Than Dead" clique . . . In short: Yellow-Travelers

John Williams' version of "A Spanish Guitar" via Westminster Records . . . The wags who are saying that Paul Anka hadda stop seeing Keely Smith. Because she was Staying Out Too Late and he hadda Go To School in the morning.

ALFRED LUNT, director of "First Love," has barred the producers (Freddie Brisson and Roger Stevens) from the first 3 weeks rehearsals. No feud. Just the way he feels about staging a show . . . Claude Philippe (formerly of the Waldorf) heads a money syndicate to buy the site of Hotel D'Orsay, Paree. He was a clerk there for many years . . . Mt. Vernon, N. Y., has a plush place doing a big biz with married folks. Most of whom are not wed to each other. The wags call it "Cheater's Chateau" . . . Actress Barbara Luna's parents got their divorce . . . Comic Jackie Warner and Eleanor Shaw make with the baby-talk at Enrico & Paglieri's in G-wich Village . . . Top strip-pip Libby Jones has a contract to give lectures on That Art for colleges . . . Don't take your Best Girl to any "Twist" dance joynt unless you don't mind cut-ins from strays. Definition of The Twist: Sex with clothes on.

"HOW TO SUCCEED," the new wow, guarantees ticket brokers an early winter in Fla. The fix are bringing the highest under-the-counter fees since "Fair Lady" . . . There's an Egyptian belly-dancer working in Chicago who brazenly bills



Growth Doubled

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 1 —Many trees can double their growth rate under favorable conditions. In one test an application of 100 pounds of nitrogen fertilizer on an acre of fir trees almost doubled the volume of wood produced. One timber company doubled its Douglas fir cone production by using fertilizer.

MEN OF FASHION!



Gentry Shops

BEGS TO INFORM YOU THAT THEIR ANNIVERSARY SALE ENDS THIS SATURDAY! LAST 3 DAYS—THURS., FRI., SAT. SHOP 10 A.M. to 9, SATURDAY 10 A. M. to 6

SUITS	Were	Now
Petrocelli's lustrous imported mohair suits, superbly flattering.....	110.00	88.
Groshire suits, richly hand-tailored in fine imported fabrics.....	95.00	78.
Petrocelli suits in magnificent sumptuous worsteds from England.....	89.95	68.
Andrew Pollack British natural suits in quiet good taste, imported fabrics... 95.00		68.
Cambridge grey British Basket weave suits hand-tailored by famous maker.. 89.95		68.
Town or Country suits in Scottish cheviot weaves, traditional styling..... 69.95		58.
Lounge model suits in fine imported clear finish worsteds.....	69.95	58.
Extra-long imported worsted suits, natural and lounge models.....	75.00	58.
Perma-crease suits, hard finished pure worsteds in opulent iridescents..... 65.00		48.
Country tweed suits with reversible heekuede sport vest.....	59.95	48.
Vested suits, soft natural shoulder styling in pure hard finish worsteds..... 59.95		48.
Vested herringbone suits, 100% all-wool fabric, natural styling.....	49.95	38.
Corduroy suits with reversible sport vest.....	29.95	25.

all sizes, reg., short, long, X-longs represented

TOPCOATS AND ALL-WEATHER COATS	Were	Now
Cashmere and wool black town coats, rich, soft, luxurious fabric.....	75.00	58.
Conservative town topcoats in new woven muted district checks.....	59.95	48.
Madison model topcoats, English hopsack, traditional natural styling..... 59.95		48.
Famous make imported all-weather coats, silk-luster iridescent cotton gabardine 29.95		18.

SPORT COATS	Were	Now
Famous Andrew Pollack sport coats tastefully patterned plaids, imported fabric 55.00		38.
Imported tweed sport coats in famous Ballantyne of Peebles Scotland fabric 44.95		38.
A special group of extra-long sport coats in pure worsteds for men 6'2" to 6'5" 39.95		33.
Smooth finished orlon and wool sport coats, overplaids and neat checks.... 39.95		33.
Blazer sport coats in rich soft orlon and wool, English side vented styling.... 39.95		28.
Scotch tweed sport coats, rugged masculine look.....	34.95	28.
Worsted flannel English blazers with metal crown buttons.....	29.95	25.

OUTERWEAR COATS AND JACKETS	Were	Now
Clipper car coats, insulated cotton gabardine laminated to Scotfoam..... 22.95		16.
Famous Joahn of Wale corduroy stadium coat.....	22.95	16.
Rugged corduroy parkas, swiss blouse length, quilt lined.....	16.95	10.
Laminated windbreaker jacket, warmth without weight.....	16.95	10.

SLACKS	Were	Now
Worsted flannel slacks, imported wools in both pleatless and pleated style.. 17.95		12.
Slim cut all-wool flannel slacks in solid shades and neat plaids.....	14.95	8.
Wool flannel sport slacks, muted deep-tone plaids.....	14.95	6.
Crompton corduroy pleid slacks.....	8.95	3.

SPORTSWEAR FURNISHINGS	Were	Now
Oxford button-down and tab collar dress shirts, whites, blues and stripes.... 4.98		3 for 10.
Spread collar dress shirts in fine imported shirting fabrics.....	5.95	2 for 7.50
Lily Dache Ban-Lon sport shirts, pullover styling, bright solid shades..... 8.95		5.
Country wool sweater-shirts, long and short sleeves.....	12.95	5.
Traditional button-down sport shirts in both pullover and button front styling 5.95		2 for 7.50
Felt hats in traditional and conventional styling.....	10.95	5.
Traditional crew neck sweaters in soft wool shetland.....	10.95	7.
Soft lamb's wool sweaters, long sleeves, classic V neck.....	10.95	7.
English styled lamb's wool cardigan sweaters, long sleeves.....	14.95	10.
Harness leather belts, cordovan and moroccan, 1/2 price.....	3.50 to 7.50	1.75 to 3.75
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