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AN ADMONISHABLE PRACTICE WHICH MUST BE STOPPED

Coercion and intimidation of WPA workers is an admonishable thing. High Republican sources have charged that it is being practiced in New Jersey by the Democratic-state machine. WPA workers, it is said, are being threatened with the loss of their jobs unless they support the Democratic state ticket at the polls on November 8.

W. Warren Barbour, Republican candidate for United States Senate, and Congressman Fred J. Hartley of North Jersey, call for thorough investigation of the charges. They say political exploitation of WPA employees is outrageous and shocks the American sense of decency and fair play. No doubt about that. Now a United States Senatorial inquiry is promised. Good. Let's hope it gets somewhere.

This is a good time to remember that WPA was created for one thing only. Its purpose is to give jobs to men and women who cannot find work in private industry. It was never meant that WPA should provide shoddy politicians with a large group of citizens to exploit. WPA salaries are paid by all the taxpayers, Republicans and Democrats alike. Some people don't seem to understand that. WPA workers have a right to vote to suit themselves, not some ward heeler. They can vote as they wish and nobody will know how they vote.

NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO BUILD A HOME

In a recent issue, the magazine Life published a handsome housing portfolio that should come as "news" to millions of American families.

The purpose of the portfolio is to point out that these families can build and buy far better homes than they now rent without increasing their housing budgets, with the aid of modern construction methods and long-time, low-interest mortgage loans.

Life does not simply illustrate a variety of homes, with drag-and-draw statistics concerning costs. Instead it takes four actual families, one each in the \$2,000, \$3,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 income groups, and discusses their housing needs, wants and ambitions. As it says, "It invited them to make their individual housing problems a laboratory test case."

In pursuing this idea, Life retained eight of America's foremost architects to design actual houses for these families. Two architects were assigned to each income level—one to plan a modern home, the other an up-to-date traditional house. It is pointed out that building costs in 1933 average a full ten percent below 1928—and that it is possible, for the same amount, to build a far more efficient, attractive and livable home than you could build 10 or 12 years ago.

This country needs home building on a vast scale. It needs it because so many families today live in inadequate houses and can afford better. It needs it because residential construction provides a big answer to the recovery problem. Every dollar spent for a home creates one hour of labor for a workman. It stimulates the great heavy industries, such as metals, cement and lumber.

BUSINESS CONTINUES TO SHOW RENEWED VITALITY
Business is showing considerable vitality. Even when the country's production is picking up in all lines of raw and manufactured goods, and construction is going forward. New life in construction, as a matter of fact, is one of the very best of the business omens.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY OFFERED TO RAILROAD RESIDENTS
Only on rare occasions do the people of Rahway have the privilege of attending a cultural program at which an internationally-famed personage is featured.

One of these rare occasions will be presented to the public Wednesday evening in Franklin School when Commander Donald MacMillan, noted explorer, will show motion pictures and will lecture. Sponsored by the Rahway Teacher's Association with the co-operation of the Parent-Teacher Association groups, this lecture will be the first of a series of three programs which will raise money to help needy school children.

Upon the success of this series depends plans for future and more elaborate programs. Reserve Wednesday night now and plan to attend one of the most outstanding programs presented here in years.

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According to Business Week, suggested "war proposals" for Congress fall into two broad categories: "Measures to support domestic economy disturbed by depression."

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agement of the normal functioning of trade at home and abroad. 2. Measures anticipating the eventual involvement of the United States—and this is taken for granted in all quarters of the Administration.

Too many observers, both kinds of legislation are ominous—for they inevitably mean a tremendous increase in the control of government over business and individuals in the event war comes. It is strongly advocated, for instance, that if our trade abroad were thrown out of balance, the government must create machinery to buy, hold and sell both agricultural and industrial products which go into export. And the government would become the virtual czar of the securities markets if a real war threw them into chaos.

Going on with the facts, it is said that legislation of the second category has already been prepared for proposal. Under its terms, the government would instantly take over operation of all transport, power and communications industries—the day we declared war—it is probable that a law stringently limiting war profits would be passed—this has been advocated by a number of presidents, including Mr. Hoover. The government would be given authority to draft materials and supplies even as it has the power to draft men. There are some who think that something very close to a military dictatorship would be established. It would of course be necessary to invest tremendous power in the President, and through him, in the Army and Navy staffs.

All this may seem far away, but it cannot be discounted when the chance of a European war occurring is as great as it is today. After the "peace" of Munich, practically every foreign observer and correspondent forecast that it would be short lasting, and would result in conflict within three years at the outside. As a result, the legislation that will be proposed, and perhaps passed, at the next Congress to deal with war, will be of great concern to every citizen.

One piece of legislation—the Neutrality Act—may cause something of a storm in House and Senate. Some influential members want to revise the Act to greatly limit the President's authority in permitting commercial dealings with embattled nations. The White House wants to retain that authority, and even enlarge it. It matters come to a head, there's likely to be a knock-down-and-drag-out fight over this vital piece of legislation, with no holds barred.

the scrapbook
History of Rahway from Record Files

Rahway 65 Years Ago
From the Advocate and Times, October 22, 1928.
Notwithstanding the hard times or tightness of the money market the Receiver of Taxes tells us that he is receiving as much money for taxes up to the same date as he did last year.

It may be of some interest to those who seem to smoke anything but "genuine Havana cigars" to know that for the year ending June, 1927 there were exported from the United States to Cuba \$46,618 worth of the manufactured article. Most of the cigars having been made in New York. Our fast young men who pride themselves on smoking "regular Havana" have but little foundation for their fancied bliss.

Rahway 30 Years Ago
From The Union Democrat, October 22, 1908.
Boys, get some marbles and put into your hands to take your meals from. You will need them if you get caught by Letter Carrier George L. Reed, stuffing the mail boxes with autumn leaves.

A schedule has been arranged for William Jennings Bryan to be in Rahway on his trip through New Jersey tomorrow at 2:15 o'clock.

Greyhault Park is a new section of Rahway being handsomely laid out in streets and avenues, near Scott avenue station, formerly the property of the late Mayor Savage and more recently known as the Waite tract.

October 16 was the hottest day of that date since October 1897. The temperature was 84 degrees.

Rahway 15 Years Ago
From The Rahway Record, October 19-23, 1923.
Fire, believed to have gotten its start from a defective fuse over a big open fireplace in the main living room, totally destroyed the handsome colonial mansion of Charles D. Freeman at Colonia about three miles from here Wednesday afternoon entailing a property loss of about \$75,000.

Opening a strong offensive in the last three quarters of the game here Saturday afternoon against Roselle High School, the football eleven of the local high school easily swamped the borough aggregation 27 to 0.

Following a meeting of the citizen's committee in charge of the arrangements for the program for the State Older Boys conference of the Y. M. C. A. to be held here on December 7, 8 and 9 was announced by Boys' Secretary Chase of the local association last night. More than 600 youths will attend.

Rahway 5 Years Ago
From The Rahway Record, October 20-24, 1933.
The Rahway Elks have received the thanks and appreciation of the Union County Park Commission for their efforts in putting on a series of band concerts in the park during the summer months.

War veterans from Rahway and nearby towns gathered together Saturday night to participate in the 10th anniversary of the local post, Mulvey-Ditmars, No. 681 Veterans of Foreign Wars, in its headquarters.

A mammoth city-wide "Buy Now Sale" in which every Rahway merchant will be asked to participate is being planned for this city.

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When Will It Stop Going Up?



spread choice of these two popular trains is the convenience of boarding them at Elizabeth or Plainfield, when going to the South of West, All B. & O. trains, including the "Shenandoah" to Pittsburgh and Chicago and the "Desire" powered between Washington, D. C. and Washington, Ind., "National Limited" to Cincinnati, Louisville and St. Louis stop at Elizabeth and Plainfield to take on and discharge passengers.

Another feature offered by the B. & O. is the streamlined service on the Shenandoah. This is the only service of its kind in the East, especially helpful to women traveling alone or accompanied by children. No charge is made to passengers for this extra convenience.

The "Royal Blue" and "Columbian" are the first and only Diesel-powered streamlined trains between New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

Especially important this year, traffic men believe, are the problems of pedestrians, bicycles, night hazards, speed and drunk driving.

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LOCAL EVENTS TO REMEMBER

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Regardless of business conditions, the newspaper will be published every day except on Sundays and public holidays. It is the leading publication serving this field.

School Board Meets

PWA Requirements For School Grant

Planning Of Foundation Plans Assures City

\$343,800, Plans Offered For Inspection By Public

All Space In School Will Be Used

The Board of Education this week assured the city of the PWA grant of \$343,800 when foundation plans and specifications were filed with the PWA and state. Approval is anticipated next week. It is also hoped that the purchase of the site in Madison avenue may be completed at week; now that Council has moved to provide the \$2,000 for the purchase. Charles A. Gering of the board's planning committee told the Record last night that all citizens and interested parties may view the plans for the building in the office of Superintendent Perry in the high school any time after Monday. Plans are being placed up there for the convenience of the public. Gering said that he had heard rumors around the school that the plans were not to be completely used. He said this rumor and pointed out that the plans for the building were for 100,000 square feet of space, not 10,000 square feet as the rumor had it.

Enrollment Near 1,000
If this amount, about 70,000, is used for classrooms by the city, it would be a great help to the city. The school board is now well over the enrollment of 1,000. The school board is now well over the enrollment of 1,000. The school board is now well over the enrollment of 1,000.

May Use Schools In Recreation, Adult Education Plans
Recreation Commission Seeks To Use Schools In Evenings

An adult recreation and athletic program which the Recreation Commission proposes to sponsor is being considered by Claude H. Reed of the Commission. Superintendent Perry and the principals of Roosevelt and Grover Cleveland schools.

During the meeting of the Board of Education this week, the Commission asked for permission to use the schools in the evening for the purpose of holding a program in the two schools free of charge. The members of the board said they favored such a program but expressed the fear that it would be too expensive. It would conflict with the regular school hours and other groups planning to use the schools in the evening.

It was also pointed out that the school board would not be able to provide heat, light and janitor service in these schools and this would carry the expense. It was decided to use the schools in the evening for the purpose of holding a program in the two schools free of charge. The members of the board said they favored such a program but expressed the fear that it would be too expensive. It would conflict with the regular school hours and other groups planning to use the schools in the evening.

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