

Parking Meter Woes

The rigid enforcement of the local parking meter ordinance, together with enforcement of the double parking-alley parking laws, has led to loud squawks of anguish from those who claim to have been erroneously charged with violations.

The law is clear. So is its purpose. If you want to come downtown to shop, you have to have a place to park. If the places are all taken by those who are employed, or who are loafing, downtown, you cannot park.

So, meters were installed. The purpose of the meter is to require you not to park longer than one hour, or two hours, in the same spot. If you do, you get a yellow envelope, and owe 25c if paid within 48 hours. If you are caught twice without moving, you get a \$1 red ticket.

Lots of people have been in the habit of parking in alleys — to the great consternation of those who have to get through to load or unload in the alley. The present policy is — if you are obviously loading or unloading, fine — if you are parking and doing other chores, you get a \$1 red ticket.

The parking meters are being checked often enough that no one can afford to park without paying the meters. This poses problems for some. For example, the county commissioners — when they arrive at 9:30 a.m. for their weekly session, all free parking within several blocks has long been taken. They cannot just adjourn every hour or two while members feed their meters. Merchants can arrive early enough to park offstreet, or they can try to lease space. If the new city lot on First street is leveled and stoned this summer, it could add immeasurably to the parking space available.

Another problem is that of workmen, such as electricians or plumbers, who have to work out of their trucks for periods of hours or days in business places, or of large trucks which must unload at certain times in front of stores. At present, the police department issues "no parking" signs to those who register for a specific time. It might be fairer if workers had to rent these signs, just as other parkers must feed the meters, so that it won't appear that they are getting a special privilege.

The real villains are those thoughtless people who try to take out their personal anger at having been given a ticket by bashing the parking meter, which adds to taxes, or by calling up the police station or meter policeman. This solves nothing; if you violate the law, and get caught, pay up — that's what the others are doing. Those who complain only make themselves look foolish.

Editorial written by Dick Heller

SPECIAL WASHINGTON REPORT

HISTORIC STEPS IN COLLEGE AID

By U.S. Senator Ralph W. Yarborough (D. Tex.)
Member, Senate Subcommittee on Education

"We have entered an age," President Johnson said recently, "in which education . . . has become a necessity without which a person is defenseless in this complex, industrialized society."

Now more than ever before, education is a necessity, the guide and maker of our future.

For this reason alone, the Kennedy-Johnson Administration and the 88th Congress can take singular pride in the efforts they have made in support of American education.

But beyond this, is the range, imagination, and foresight which the various bills evidence. We have recently seen the enactment of new programs, programs which will:

- provide assistance for the education of doctors
- promote vocational training
- expand our student loan fund
- provide grants for educational television
- provide aid to public libraries

It was my privilege as a member of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee to be a principal advocate of each of these bills, and to assist later in each joint House-Senate conference on these bills to iron out differences leading to final enactment.

Taken together, these programs surely represent what President Johnson has called the most historic steps in the field of education since the Land Grant College Act was passed 100 years ago.

Yet there is much to be done. College enrollment will double by 1970. \$23 billion in new facilities will be needed by then. That is about three times the quantity built during the past decade.

In short, there are expected to be twice as many college students in 1974 as there are today.

Statistics such as these indicate why, of the several recent education programs, I think the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963 particularly important.

This bill, signed by President Johnson on December 16, 1963, is among the best examples we have of enlightened response to a pressing problem.

The bill authorizes \$230 mil-

lion in matching grants for construction of undergraduate facilities. Included in this is \$179.4 million annually to be distributed among the states on the basis of relative high school, college, and university enrollment.

Also included is a program to spur school projects that aim at increasing enrollment capacity. A second portion of the bill authorizes \$145 million in matching grants for construction of graduate facilities.

This latter provision is particularly significant. In this era of technological revolution, it has come to be recognized that special mastery, not just passing acquaintance, is ever more important. And the need for special skills is recognized by the aid given for the construction of graduate facilities.

The concluding section of the bill authorizes \$360 million in loans for college and university construction, rehabilitation, and the general improvement of academic facilities.

The scope of the Higher Education Facilities Act indicates also that the Congress, under the leadership of Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, recognizes education as a key in our continuing social and technological progress.

With good reason, the 88th Congress is being called the "Education Congress."

SOCIAL SECURITY QUIZ

1. Q—I earned more than \$1200 in 1963 and received benefit checks for six months. When must I report these earnings to the social security administration?

A—You must report these earnings not later than April 15, 1964.

2. Q—I estimated my earnings for 1963 as \$1500. Based on this estimate, I received benefits for some months. Since my actual earnings were less than \$1500, do I have to file a report of my earnings with the social security administration?

A—Yes. It may be possible that you are entitled to more benefits than you received last year, as your actual earnings were less than your estimate. This can only be determined after your annual report of earnings is filed.

3. Q—I became 72 in February, 1963, and earned over \$1200 last year. Must I still report my earnings for last year?

A—Since you were under 72 a full month of last year and had earnings over \$1200, you must file an annual report of earnings by April 15, 1964.

4. Q—My husband is a self-employed painter. He broke his leg in March, 1963, and as a result, his net profit from the business was only \$893 last year. Using both our exemptions, it looks like we will not owe any income tax for 1963. But I seem to remember somebody saying we should file a return for social security anyway. Is this true, and if it is, what is the deadline?

A—Yes, it is true. Your husband must file an income tax return and pay the self-employment tax if his annual income is \$400 or more, even though he is not otherwise required to file an income tax return. His self-employment tax is computed on separate schedule C. Tax returns for calendar year 1963 are due by April 15, 1964.

5. Q—I just learned I should have been reporting self-employment income as I have been a door-to-door salesman since 1960. I netted over \$400 in 1960 but did not file a tax return for that year or for any since. Can I still get credit by filing a return this year?

A—In order for you to receive credit for 1960 self-employment income you have only until April 15, 1964, to file a tax return. If you wait until after that date, you may be subject to a social security tax for 1960 without receiving any credit for the earnings. You should get in touch with your nearest internal revenue office immediately.

6. Q—I have a problem. I have two separate businesses. I find I made a profit in one and loss in the other. How do I figure the net earnings for social security tax purposes?

A—If you have more than one business, your net earnings from self-employment are the combined net earnings from all businesses. Thus, a loss sustained in one business will reduce the income derived from your other business.

Easter Services At Missionary Church

Special Easter services are being planned at the Decatur Missionary church. At 6 a.m. the young people will attend the union sunrise service to be held at the Church of God. Following the service, the young people will be guests of the pastor and his wife for breakfast. At 9 a.m., the Sunday school will meet with a record attendance anticipated.

At 10 a.m. Rev. Gerald I. Gerig, pastor of the church, will bring his Easter message entitled, "Where Is He?" During this service the adult choir, under the direction of Darrell Gerig, will sing the "Hallelujah Chorus." A special service is being planned at 7 p.m. when the new baptistry of the church will be used for the first time. Eleven will be baptized during this service. The public is invited to attend all of these special services.

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7:30—The Great Adventure
8:00—Captain Kangaroo
8:30—Twilight Zone
9:00—Alfred Hitchcock Hour
10:00—Big News Final
10:30—Award Theatre

SATURDAY

Morning
7:00—Down to Earth
7:30—Sunrise Semester
8:00—Captain Kangaroo
8:30—The Alvin Show
9:00—Tennessee Tuxedo
9:30—Quick Draw McGraw
10:00—Mighty Mouse Playhouse
10:30—Rin Tin Tin
11:00—Roy Rogers

Afternoon

1:00—Sky King
1:30—Do You Know
2:00—Award Theatre: "Calling Northside 777"
2:30—Jack Powell Show
3:00—TV Playhouse
3:30—CBS Match Play Classic
4:00—Wanted, Dead or Alive
5:00—Fractured Flickers

Evening

6:00—Saturday Show: "Oregon Passage"
7:30—Jackie Gleason
8:00—Las Vegas
9:30—The Phil Silvers Show
10:00—Gunsmoke
11:00—CBS News Final
11:15—Award Theatre: "Armored Command"

SUNDAY

Morning
6:00—This Is the Life
6:30—The Terrell Requiem
7:00—Camera Three
7:30—The Bible Answers
8:00—Cross Exam
8:30—Cross the Nation
9:00—What's the Law
9:30—Magic Room
10:00—Social Security in Action
10:30—Kiplinger Report
11:00—Sports Spectacular
11:30—The Bible Kind
12:00—Alumni Fun
1:00—Hi Quis
1:30—Twentieth Century
2:00—Mister Ed
2:30—My Favorite Martian
3:00—Ed Sullivan Show
3:30—The Dick Van Dyke Show
4:00—Candid Camera
4:30—That's My Life
5:00—CBS News
5:15—Sounding Board

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Evening
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6:15—Gateway to Sports
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6:45—Huntley-Brinkley Report
7:00—Ripcord
7:15—International Showtime
7:30—Bob Hope Special
8:00—That Was the Week That
8:30—Jack Parr Show
9:00—News & Weather
9:15—Sports Today
9:30—Tonight Show

SATURDAY

Morning
8:00—Bozo Cartoon Time
8:45—It's Light Time
9:00—The Ed Sullivan Show
9:30—Ruff & Reddy Show
10:00—The Hector Heathcote Show
10:30—Pittsburgh XL-4
11:00—Dennis the Menace
11:30—Fury
12:00—Sgt. Preston
12:30—Bullwinkle
1:00—Exploring
2:00—Mr. Wizard
2:30—Top Star Bowling
3:00—NCAA All Star Basketball Game
3:30—NBC Sports Special
4:00—Wrestling Champions

SUNDAY

Morning
6:00—Hour of Power
6:30—Oral Roberts
7:00—Religious News Digest
7:30—The Story
8:00—Indiana University
8:30—Showplace Homes
9:00—Challenge Golf
9:30—Word of Life
10:00—The Story
10:30—Manion Forum
11:00—Dan Smoot
11:30—Discovery
12:00—The Rebel
12:30—Why The N.F.O.
1:00—Doral Invitational Golf Tournament
1:30—Championship Bridge
2:00—Rebel
2:30—Hootenanny
3:00—Empire
3:30—Arrest and Trial
4:00—Stoney Burke
4:30—21 News Special
5:00—Movie: "The Fingers of Fear"

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5:30; 8:10.

The People's Voice

This column is for the use of our readers who wish to make suggestions for the general good or discuss questions of interest. No articles will be published without signature of the author.

Opportunity Here

Dear Sir:

On March 7 the Democrat featured an article telling of the advantages of the state park at Bluffton. On the same date the editorial extolled the benefits to the townspeople of Bluffton — particularly the merchants.

Isn't it possible that we in Decatur have the same potential? Right in our own "back

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If you do not think this is so, I suggest that everyone reading this letter invest 50 cents and purchase a ticket from any Boy Scout in the Limberlost area and see for yourself what the Scouts are doing and what they would like to accomplish for your benefit.

The Scouts in Decatur believe the 50 cents you invest to see the Scout-O-Rama on the 25th of April at the Community Center will be an investment in the future growth and development of our community.

Sincerely,
Jack Knudsen
341 S. Fifth St.

Easter Services At Zion Lutheran

Festive Easter sunrise services at Zion Lutheran church Sunday will begin at 6 o'clock. Prof. David Ludwig of Concordia Senior College at Fort Wayne will be the guest speaker.

The Zion Lutheran choir, under the direction of Karl Reinking, will sing "Joy Fills the Morning" and "Awake Thou that Sleepest." Immediately following the sunrise service, a social hour with rolls and coffee will be served in the parish hall to members and visitors under the sponsorship of the Missionary society.

The Rev. Richard C. Ludwig will speak at both the 8 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock services. His sermon topic will be "The Easter Answer." The Zion choir will again sing, including a descant to the congregational hymn "I Know That My Redeemer Lives."

The morning's third service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible classes will meet at their regular time of 9:15 a.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated at both of the two later services.

Special Easter decorations at the church were arranged by a committee headed by co-chairmen, Miss Dorothy Schnepp and Mrs. William Zoss. The Easter offerings will favor the congregation's building fund.

Sunrise Service At Adams Central Gym

The annual Easter sunrise service, sponsored by the co-operating churches of the Adams Central school district, will be held at 6 a.m. Sunday in the Adams Central high school gym. The Rev. Charles Elam, pastor of the Monroe Methodist church, will bring the message.

The Adams Central choir and an instrumental ensemble will furnish special music.

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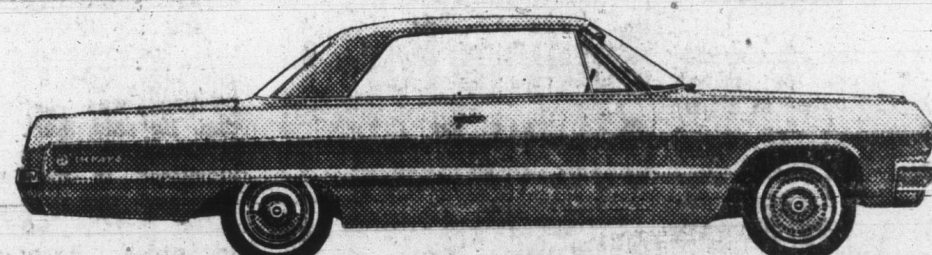
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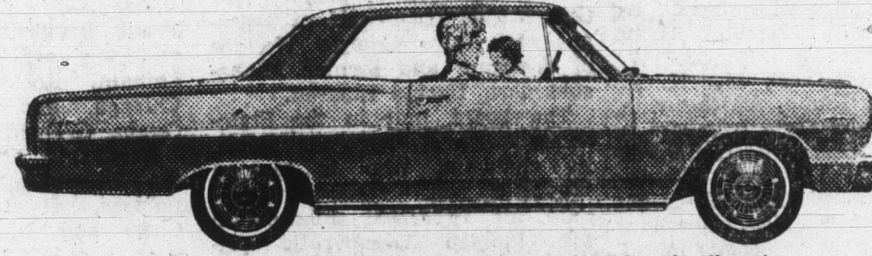
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