

James Mitchell, Sen. Douglas Discuss Cost Of Living, Other Economic Campaign Issues

Editor's note: Living costs, wages, interest rates and other economic matters are campaign issues. The Republican view on them is stated by Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, the Democratic by Sen. Paul H. Douglas of Illinois, chairman of the Congressional Economic Committee.

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Living costs have reached an all-time high. According to sober observers, the inflationary situation we face is real and, because of steel price increases, it is likely to grow worse before it gets better. It is but another of the many signs that an economic imbalance underlies the spotly and uneven "prosperity" which Republican orators find so perfect.

We know something is out of order when one segment of our economy big business reaps record profits while other important segments like agriculture and small business suffer heavy reverses.

We know that everything is not perfect when food costs rise while the farmers' share of the consumers' dollar shrinks from 47 to 36 per cent in less than four years.

When the net income of our farmers has dropped one-fourth since 1952.

Signs Of Trouble
When small business profits have fallen more than 50 per cent and small business failures have increased 50 per cent since 1952.

When distressed areas over the country remain with us.

When many important communities, notably those dependent on motor car manufacturing, farm equipment, textile and coal industries, have been hard hit by unemployment.

When one family in five has an annual income of less than \$2,000; and

When housing starts have declined to 230,000 in one year.

A major factor leading to the distortion of our economy was the administration's discriminatory 1954 tax program which gave three-fourths of the tax relief to corporations and families with incomes above \$5,000.

A large blow to our economic stability was struck by the administration's abandonment of 90 per cent parity farm price supports and by its trimming of other important farm programs.

The administration raised the interest rate too fast and too far in 1953. This contributed heavily to the 1953-54 business recession which the President and his cabinet secretly regarded as most serious, while they publicly attacked Democratic critics of the situation as prophets of "doom and gloom."

Cities Democratic Aids
Another heavy blow came with Republican policies which raised the interest rates on loans to small business, hardened credit requirements and sharply reduced small business' share of defense contracts.

But the administration continues to view conditions through rose-colored glasses. It proceeds with policies which have produced economic imbalance since 1952.

Democrats raised the minimum wage to \$1 over the opposition of President Eisenhower and Republicans in Congress. The vast majority of Republicans voted against the Democratic program to extend social security protection to women at 62 and disabled workers at age 50. The administration blocked the Democratic program for aid to economically distressed communities.

Meanwhile, the President wrongly claims credit for "stopping inflation" which had been stopped by the Democrats in 1951.

The record shows conclusively that the Eisenhower administration is committed to policies which favor special interests and which tend to throw our economic system out of kilter. The record of this same period also

shows that the Democratic party fights for policies which stimulate wider distribution of income, develop a sound and evenly expanding economy and give equal consideration to the interests of all our citizens.

By JAMES P. MITCHELL
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I am confident that the working men and women of the United States will vote overwhelmingly on Nov. 6 for the reelection of President Eisenhower.

They will do so: First because they admire the man, his deep sincerity, and his great ability. They are confident that he knows how to keep the nation at peace.

Second, because during his administration and due partly to his policies there has been unprecedented understanding and cooperation between labor and

management. Third, because the policies of the first Eisenhower administration have helped to shape in our nation new dimensions of economic growth and opportunity for all.

The worker, whether he belongs to a union or not, must ask himself this fundamental question when he steps into the polling booth:

Best In History
"How have working people fared under the leadership of President Eisenhower?"

On the basis of fact and record, the answer can only be: "Better than under any other President in history."

More than 66 million men and women were at work in September, more than in any September in our history, and nearly 4 million more than in 1952.

Unemployment has dropped to a rate lower than existed in any

peacetime September during the 20-year Democratic rule.

Factory wages are at an all-time high, 13 per cent above what they were in January, 1953.

Never in the 35-year history of the Labor Department's cost of living index have consumer prices been so stable for as long a time as they have in the last 3½ years.

In short, the working man not only makes more money, but his wages buy more than ever because inflation has been checked. For example: In 1952 a factory worker had to work 23 minutes to buy a pound of hamburger. In 1956, to buy the same pound of hamburger, the same worker needs to work only 12 minutes.

Worker Buys More
In 1952, the worker had to put in seven hours and 38 minutes to buy a pair of men's shoes. Today he needs to work only six hours and 55 minutes.

The worker's paycheck in 1956 buys more for him and his family than ever before in our history.

To the working people of America, the Eisenhower administration has meant much more than prosperity. It has meant unprecedented understanding between labor and management. It has meant planning for the future. It has meant peace in the world.

These are the compelling reasons why working men and women will help to return President Eisenhower to the White House.

Russian Observers Tour With Nixon in Southern California

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Three Russian observers of the U. S. political campaign heard Vice President Richard M. Nixon speak twice today before leaving for San Francisco and more observing.

The Russians sat on the sidelines this morning as Nixon addressed a precinct workers' rally at the Ambassador Hotel. Then the interested visitors accompanied Nixon in a motorcade to nearby Santa Monica for another Republican rally.

Visit Movie Studios
The trio later boarded a plane at International Airport for San Francisco to climax a three-day visit in Southern California. During the tour, the Russians heard both Democratic and Republican candidates and also took time off to visit movie studios in Hollywood.

During a press conference at UCLA Saturday, the language barrier created quite a problem and also one big laugh.

L. N. Solovoyev, deputy of the Supreme Soviet, told the newsman through a State Department translator that "the first step toward world peace is prohibition of atomic weapons."

The translator, Vasia Gnirkin, continued the translation as follows:

"When this problem is settled then the people of the world may rest in peace."

The phrase, "rest in peace,"

NEW USE FOR JUICE
Whitehead, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Bathing in tomato juice is a sure way to get rid of that skunk odor, vows Will C. Davis. He is stocking up on tomato juice in case he or his dogs run afoul any skunks during the hunting season.

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Constellation of Pisces Near Great Square in SW

By FAY BENTLEY

"Mother Mother!" screamed a panic-stricken child. Greatly alarmed, the mother sprang to her feet.

Venus, mythical goddess of love and beauty, sitting in the cool shade of a tree while her small son, Cupid, played in the shallow waters of a nearby stream, was terrified by sounds which broke the stillness of the summer afternoon.

The bellowing of an angry bull changed to a loud hissing as if coming from a hundred snakes. The earth trembled beneath her feet while the surrounding mountains echoed the hideous noises. Then while the ground continued to quake the hissing was mingled with the roar of an outraged lion and again the bellowing of the bull.

Paralyzed With Fear
Paralyzed with fear, Venus caught the hand of her small boy but could not tell which way to run; the sounds seemed to issue from every direction! Suddenly the forest was parted with giant hands and Typhon, the most horrible being ever seen on earth, appeared in the opening.

Topping a gigantic body were a hundred dragon-like heads with dark flickering tongues and nostrils that spat forth great balls of fire. Even the gods were afraid of this monstrosity.

Knowing that escape by land was impossible, Venus dashed for the river bank, holding Cupid tightly by the hand. Diving into the water, the goddess transformed the lad and herself into two fishes which swam quickly out of reach of the terrible Typhon.

Gratitude for Escape
In gratitude for her narrow escape from the hideous creature, the goddess persuaded Jupiter, king of the gods, to place the two fishes in the sky as a constellation. And there they may be seen to this day as one of the star groups in the Zodiac.

Pisces the Fishes consists of the Northern Fish and the Western Fish with a large 'V' lying between and below them. It is a very old constellation that covers much space in the "heavenly sea" as the ancients called this part of the sky, due to the fact that thousands of years ago, rain always fell in Babylonia when the sun was between the earth and the star groups in this region of the heavens.

Pisces is important to us because the vernal equinox, or the first day of spring occurs when the sun is between this sky picture and the earth.

Arab Name
The Arabs named this celestial picture Flaxo Flaxen Thread because they said that a piece of ribbon was tied around the tails of the two fishes.

When the people of Egypt wished to express hatred or de-

spise anything horrible they used the sign of the Fishes as this was deemed to be unlucky. Not so with the early Hebrews. They regarded Pisces as their favorite constellation and used the fish as a religious symbol in Christian drawings on the walls of the Catacombs in Rome and other places.

To locate Pisces the Fishes find the Great Square, a rather large rectangle formed by four stars, which will be seen high in the southwest about 8 p.m. during the early part of November. This Great Square is the body of Pegasus the Flying Horse.

Below and east of Pegasus are the two Fishes. A small, five-sided figure often called a "circle" or "lozenge" lying below or due south of the Great Square outlines the Western Fish. Due east, or to the left of the Great Square, a tiny triangle represents the Northern Fish.

Leading away from each fish is a long line of faint stars. These two lines meet and form a large sprawling 'V' with its point much lower in the sky than the Fishes. According to mythology the 'V' is formed by a long ribbon which ties the tails of the Fishes together.

Temperatures in Texas vary from an annual mean of 56 degrees in the Panhandle to 74 degrees in the Lower Rio Grande valley.

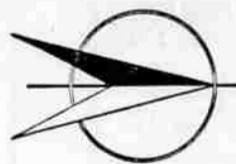


DON'T SCARE US—Sandy Meek, dancer at the Desert Inn in Las Vegas, 1956, has all the props of the familiar Halloween witch as she plays the part of a hobgoblin but somehow she doesn't scare us even a tiny bit.



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