

### Automation In America Viewed

#### Testimony Found Highly Conflicting

(There are indications that when the economy gets back in gear, a high level of unemployment will remain. The unemployment rate is automation. The machines that are to bring us a better tomorrow are giving blither today to many workers they've displaced. — Editor's note.)

NEW YORK (AP)—The story of automation begins with the invention of the wheel in history's dim past. It is still rolling. In one form or another, automation has always been part of man's economic activity. But the current high joblessness in the United States, in February 5.7 million were unemployed, the largest number since 1941, has placed it under new scrutiny.

Is automation the answer to man's dream of more leisure time, inexpensive goods and a continually growing economy? Or a Frankenstein's monster devouring jobs and men? Says an unemployed auto worker in Detroit: "Automation has kicked me out in the street for good."

**Fields Surveyed**  
Says a leading advocate of more automation: "From my personal experience I do not know of a single case in this country in which an individual worker was harmed by automation."

Automation has permanently eliminated tens of thousands of jobs. During the post-war period, productivity (output per man hour) in bituminous coal mining rose 96 per cent while employment fell 262,700. Railroad productivity rose 65 per cent in the same period while employment fell 540,000.

Auto workers in Detroit, steel workers in Pittsburgh, textile workers in New York have been laid off, or not rehired, as new machines are introduced.

These jobless have formed what has been called the "hard core" unemployed—unskilled or semi-skilled. In January, 647,000 of the unemployed had been looking for work for 27 weeks or longer.

Yet nearly all observers agree that automation is necessary if American business is to compete in the world markets, because automation is increasing abroad. And Nikita Khrushchev has said the Soviet Union will use automation as a weapon to destroy Western capitalism.

**Testimony Conflicts**  
What effect has automation had on the individual worker? Has it been the cause—more than any other factor—of permanent unemployment?

There is no definite answer, only conflicting testimony. William McChesney Martin Jr., head of the Federal Reserve System, recently told a congressional committee:

"The problem of structural unemployment is manifest in the higher total of those left unem-

### Driver Arrested On OMVI Count

Dorsie Green, 23, 1319 N. Main St., was arrested at 1:11 a.m. Sunday by Police Officer Dwight Rinehart for driving while under the influence of intoxicating beverages. He was released at 7:45 a.m. to appear in Municipal Court at 9:30 a.m. today. Gene A. Weaver, 21, Route 1, Desler, charged by Patrolman Morris Frankhouser, and Charles K. Lease, 25, Kenton, charged by Patrolman Pliny Breyman, were cited to appear in Municipal Court this morning on speeding charges.

played after each wave of the recent business cycles and in the idleness of many West Virginia coal miners, Eastern and Midwestern steel and auto workers, West Coast aircraft workers, and like groups, in good times as well as bad."

Congressman Elmer J. Holland of Pennsylvania, in a report to President Kennedy, summed up the effects of automation this way: "When new mechanical or electronic devices are installed, assurances are given workers in many industries that they will not be hurt or fired. However, when they leave—due to retirement or resignation—no one is hired to replace them."

**Views Compared**  
Says Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers Union: "Thousands of workers have been relegated by automation to the ranks of the technologically unemployed."

But, answers Malcolm L. Denise, vice president, Labor Relations, Ford Motor Co., and a highly regarded industry spokesman on automation:

"It is not possible even to get a complete and meaningful count of people initially displaced as the direct result of automating operations."

"Changes in processes and technology occur simultaneously with changes in demand, product design, product mix and sourcing, with normal attrition in the work force and with other factors. This at Ford we have found it impossible to identify any group of our laid-off employees whose employment is attributable solely to 'automation' as such."

Last January, R. Conrad Cooper, executive vice president, U.S. Steel, declared, "steel employment is at low levels today not due to technological displacement," but because customers are not ordering as much steel.

Every day there are new reports of further automatic processes. The National Planning Assn. estimates that present industrial output could be produced next year with 1.8 per cent fewer workers, due to automation.

Reuther estimates that automation and "technology" will displace 28 million workers in the next decade.

Increased interest and activity in urban renewal may slow the post-war trend to the suburbs, according to an analyst at the University of California at Berkeley.

### District Lions Hold Annual Convention Here



Among the officials at the District 13-D Lions International convention here Sunday were, from left, Richard Young, Toledo, new district governor; Stanley Goodwin, Columbus Grove, senior deputy governor; Jay Patterson, Toledo, cabinet secretary; Linwood Millen, Jr., Paulding, elected the new junior deputy district governor; Frank Johnson, Findlay, chairman of Zone II; and Robert McManess, Findlay club president and general chairman of the convention.



Among the Lions delegates at the convention were, from left, Merle Blue, Dunkirk; Don Harvey, Kenton; Everett Latta, McComb; and Glen Opp, Rawson.



Kenny and Wanda Mast, Bluffton, (in costume), won the district talent show with their act of comedy songs and dances. Eugene Wollenhaupt was their accordion accompanist. John J. Tobin, Jr., Lima, chairman of the contest, is shaking hands with Mrs. Mast. The act will represent the district in the Lions state convention in Toledo in June.



Two Lions International directors, Robert Wyatt, Detroit, and Ralph Blaney, Old Fort, attended the convention. Mr. Wyatt was the banquet speaker.

### Stronger Lead In NATO Urged

WASHINGTON (AP)—West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer urged the United States Sunday to take a stronger lead in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The United States should take

this lead as the strongest member of the 15-nation defense alliance, Adenauer said in an NBC-TV filmed interview. "Meet the Press." But such leadership, the chancellor declared, does not fit in with a tripartite directorate in NATO—the idea of President Charles de Gaulle of France. Adenauer said such a directorate

### Lions Convention Told Service Clubs Patrolmen Arrest 10 Over Weekend

#### International Director Speaks; Toledoan New District Governor

"If the day comes in which we are to find peace maybe the great service clubs of the world will play a tremendous part in providing people-to-people understanding," Robert D. Wyatt, Detroit, Lions International director, told a dinner gathering of more than 250 Lions and guests last night at the Elks Home.

Mr. Wyatt was speaker at the banquet which concluded the annual convention of District 13-D, International Association of Lions Clubs. The district has 74 clubs in communities in Northwest Ohio.

Richard T. Young, Toledo, was advanced to the district governorship succeeding J. H. Gamel, Lakeview.

The international director based his remarks on the statement attributed to a Swiss mountain climber who, when queried about the apparent difficulty in finding directions, said: "We keep a clear view and far vision."

Mentioning this philosophy in the undertakings of the Disciples, the Puritans and Separatists, the Jesuit priests in their missionary undertakings in pioneer days in this country, he recommended its application to daily life by all members of Lions.

The international director, mentioning that Lions clubs are now located in 114 countries, told of personal experiences in receiving helplessness from unknown Lions and added: "You are just as close to help as you are to a Lions member."

**Men of Goodwill**  
"Men of goodwill are men of goodwill wherever they are, no matter their community, their state, their nation," he said.

Lions last year, he said, gave \$100 million to humanity, "not including an hour's labor."

Work in a Lions Club, he reminded, is a "daily" affair. He stressed the importance of club attendance, participation in projects, and the enthusiasm and understanding which comes from conventions as essential to Lionism.

Mr. Wyatt spoke of Lionism in places throughout the world, of the vast accomplishments of the club in Bombay, India, in its four years of existence; of the club-sponsored career eye bank in New York from which 47 persons have regained eyesight; of the multitude of community undertakings completed by clubs large and small throughout the world.

"As long as the story of democracy is told, so will be the story of Lions," he added in telling of the effective work of 60 Lions clubs in one year in saving the Philippines.

The key to success in the service-club movement, of course, is strength of the local club which in turn strengthens the district, the state, and the international organization, he pointed out.

**Personal Service**  
"Man needs a new medium of exchange—personal service," he said. "To understand people everywhere, outside of your church, the greatest factor for people-to-people understanding is our tremendous organization—Lions International," he concluded.

Ralph Blaney of Old Fort, also an international director, responded to the address on behalf of the district. J. H. Gamel, Lakeview, district governor who has given more than a decade of his 80 years to leadership in Lions, presided over the meeting. He introduced and presented gifts to the district's zone chairmen and to members of his staff for their endeavors during the past year. On behalf of the Ohio clubs he and his cabinet secretary, Edmund John, New Hampshire, were presented gifts by Mr. Blaney.

Gov. Gamel, whose term expires July 1, announced awards for receiving the most new members and for the highest percentage of attendance to the clubs at Wren, Richwood, Bradner and Lyons. Other district governors attending the convention were Ray McLaughlin, 13-G, Wilmington, and Lynn Pugh, 13-I, Mogadore.

Resolutions of appreciation for the work of district officers during the past year and to those who took part in the convention arrangements were presented by Harold F. Miller of Paulding, international councillor. The diners were kept in a gay mood during the banquet by a group of selected tailtwisters: Albert Wier, Findlay; Cliff Bidinger, Kenton; Kenny Weber, Wapakoneta; Robert Replge, Bryan; Leonard McClaid, New Hampshire; and Claude Bly, Waynesfield.

**Paulding Man Chosen**  
Linwood F. Millen, Paulding, was elected junior deputy district governor. Stanley Goodwin of Columbus Grove becomes the senior deputy district governor. Mr. Millen, past president of the Paulding Club, is past cabinet secretary of the district and has been

active in community affairs in Paulding, being charter president of the Paulding PTA, charter president of the Paulding County Hospital Corp., and presently vice president of the Paulding Board of Education.

Dr. Jack Fugate of Plain City was renamed a trustee in the Eye Research Foundation. The report of the nominating committee was presented by Frest Steinman of Bluffton.

During the business session zone chairmen of the district presented reports on club activities and conditions. The zone chairmen are Arthur Burks, Mechanicsburg; Carl Wernmouth, West Liberty; O. M. Kuck, Wapakoneta; Elmer Ochse, Van Wert; John J. Tobin Sr., Lima; Dale Gardner, Ada; Frank F. Johnson, Findlay; Frank H. Rumpf, Toledo; Linwood Miller, Paulding; and Dr. Bernard C. Rogers, Wauseon.

Dr. Fugate, reporting on the Eye Research program, told of the work being done in that field and congratulated the Lions for their part. He expressed enthusiasm in tests made possible through an electronic tonometer which was purchased by Ohio Lions for the research center at Ohio State.

Lions Clubs in Ohio have contributed in excess of \$30,000 for the purchase of equipment for the laboratory at Ohio State, he said. District 13-D has ranked well in its contributions or investments in this fund and in other funds designed to help the preservation of sight as well as to aid the blind, Dr. Fugate added.

**Sight Preservation Work**  
Dr. Fugate presented awards to the following clubs for investments in sight preservation projects: Ada, Arcadia, Bluffton, Bowling Green, Columbus Grove, Cridersville, Elida, Port Shawnee, Kenton, Toledo, Wauseon, West Liberty, Erie and West Mansfield.

E. J. Ward, Lima, reporting for the district, brailled board, urged additional participation by clubs in the district in the distribution of the Junior Braille magazine to those of teen-age who could use the service. He said that more than 200 young people in the state are now receiving the braille magazine and asked clubs to submit names of any sight-deficient youths in their communities who might be able to use the magazine.

Merle Blue, Dunkirk, reported to the conference concerning blind welfare. He told of the training of the blind teachers in Columbus, of the contribution of Lions to the project, of the sale of merchandise made by the blind, and of the pilot dog project. He asked Lions to report any blind persons in their communities who could use a pilot dog to advantage.

Lewis S. Shoemaker, Dunkirk, told the conference of progress being made in membership and Arthur Kuntz, Defiance, submitted a report on international relations activities. Adam S. Stewart, Columbus Grove, urged attendance by district Lions and Lionesses at the international convention to be held in Atlantic City June 20-24.

Twenty-three clubs received recognition for securing two or more new members during a campaign last October. 250 Registered Two hundred fifty registered for the convention. Mr. Goodwin presided over the opening session. Invocation was by the Rev. Chalmers Mattern of Findlay. The Rev. Paul Cramer, pastor of the Waynesfield Methodist Church, conducted a necrology service in memory of 15 Lions of the district who had died during the past year.

Senior Deputy Young presided over the business session held at the Elks. Welcome was voiced by Robert McManess, president of the Findlay Lions and general chairman of the convention, and by Mayor William Carlin, Dwight Murray, Findlay, international councillor, gave the response. The roll call of clubs by Cabinet Secretary John showed that 42 of the 74 clubs in District 13-D were represented at the meeting. Following the business session, the Lions and Lionesses adjourned to the Y.M.C.A. social room where an excellent talent program of eight acts was presented. John J. Tobin Sr., Lima zone chairman, was master of ceremonies.

**Bluffton Act Wins**  
Winner of the talent show was an act presented by Kenny and Wanda Mast, Bluffton, comedian songsters, who struck a popular note with the audience in their Swiss yodeling numbers and comic songs. They accompanied with Eugene Wollenhaupt, accordionist. Second place went to a Defiance instrumental trio composed of: Craig Andrews, piano; Tom Harmon, drums; and John Aschmeier, string bass.

Third place winner was a talented saxophone player, Pern Howard, from Mechanicsburg. His accompanist was pianist Judy Hood. The winners received cash prizes of \$25, \$15, and \$10 respectively. The winning act will be entered as the zone representative in a talent show to be held in connection with the state convention in Toledo in June. Judges for the talent contest were George Denster and Phyllis Wendt, Lima, and Doris Hartizer, Findlay.

Committee chairmen in charge of the convention were: General chairman, Robert McManess; necrology, Mr. Cramer; music, Bob Goodsell, song leader, Fred Barrett; registration, Frank Johnson; Lloyd Johnson; dining room decorations, Tom Miles; dinner meeting, Clayton Beck; publicity-decorations, Wilbur Shoemaker; finance, Mr. John; ladies' program, Mrs. Gamel, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. McManess.

**Alumni Hold Dinner**  
Alumni of Liberty-Trenton High School held a luncheon dinner and program at the school Saturday night. There were 200 present. Music was furnished by the Blanchard Valley Boys.

Dale Zeisloff was elected president for the next year, Jerry Kramer vice president and Phyllis Ridge secretary-treasurer.

Five speeders were among 10 traffic violators reported by the State Highway Patrol in the Findlay area yesterday and Saturday.

The speeders: Robert Yates, 46, Lexington, Ky., and Edward Wilke, 49, Gahanna, each posted a \$15 bond for appearance this morning before Municipal Judge James A. Bope; Pearl Pfouts, 52, Bowling Green, cited to appear at 10 a.m. Tuesday before County Judge E. E. Bailey; Bowling Green; Albert J. Simmons, 46, Cincinnati, Greyhound bus driver, cited to appear April 24 before County Judge Willis Wirt, North Baltimore; and William Tackett, 37, Ada, cited to appear Wednesday before Municipal Judge Loucks Brown, Kenton.

Harry W. Morgan, 18, Ham-track, Mich., posted a \$15 bond for appearance at 10 a.m. April 28 before Judge Wirt for passing in a no passing zone. James A. Garbe, 20, Toledo, was cited to appear Friday before Judge Bope for following too closely.

Roger Boyle, 22, Lakewood, was cited to appear at 7:30 p.m. April 24 before Judge Wirt for weaving on the highway.

Two drivers were charged with stop sign violation. Clarence Humphrey, 43, Route 2, McComb, was cited to appear tonight before Judge Bope and Jimmy A. Leeper, 25, 1129 Logan Ave., was cited to appear next Monday night before Judge Bope.

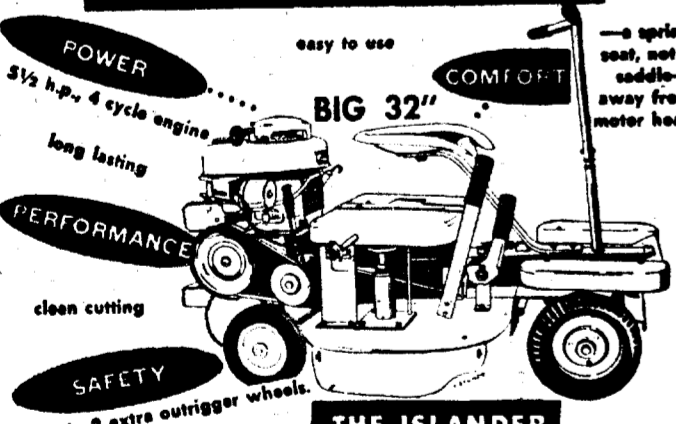
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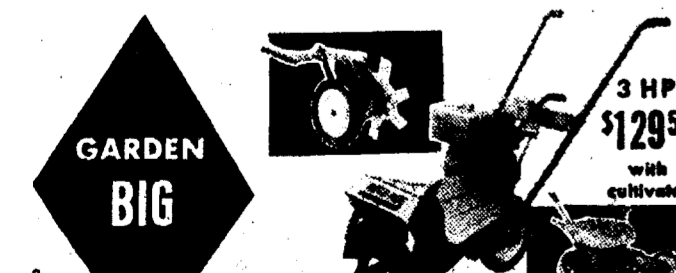
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