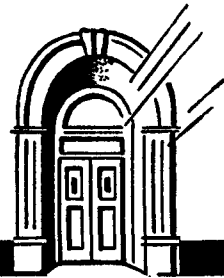


THE

# CITY CLUB



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February 22, 1951

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Mr. Marriner S. Eccles  
Federal Reserve Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Eccles:

The Public Affairs Committee of the City Club of Cleveland has requested me to ask you to address the Club's nationally known forum. We would like to suggest the dates of April 21st or May 5th. Because of the importance of the message you could bring at this time, we hope you will see your way clear to accept this invitation.

This organization has been in existence since 1912 and the inclosed brochures describe the Club's aims and incorporate a partial list of its speakers. Regarding the importance of our forum, I refer you to Ray M. Gidney, President of the Cleveland Federal Reserve, and Walker Buel, Washington correspondent for the Cleveland Plain Dealer, both of whom are members of the Club; also to Leon Keyserling, Economic Adviser to the President, Chas. W. Sawyer, Secretary of Commerce, and Senator Robert A. Taft, all of whom have addressed the City Club forum.

All our meetings are held at noon on Saturday and the programs are broadcast by Station WGAR, the local CBS outlet. We are allotted one hour beginning at one o'clock and responsible checks indicate that our listening audience numbers well over 100,000.

I am sure you will find the members of the City Club an interesting group and hope you will give this invitation your favorable consideration.

Very truly yours,

*J. J. Lafferty*  
Secretary

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1951

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## MICHAEL V. DISALLE

U. S. Price Control Administrator

to discuss

### "PRICE CONTROL PROBLEMS"

Saturday Noon

Dining Room

February 24

Don't forget our capacity is limited.

Pick Up Lunch Tickets At Once.

## DISALLE TO GIVE INSIDE PICTURE OF PRICE CONTROL

The man whose decisions affect 150,000,000 Americans will be within your verbal grasp next Saturday when Michael V. DiSalle will address the forum on the problems of a price control administrator.

The roly-poly ex-mayor of Toledo, whose amiability has won him plaudits from the most hard-bitten congressmen on capitol hill as well as wide acclaim from newsmen, comes ready for a no-holds-barred contest with a hefty font of vital information.

The man who so bravely barged in on the nation's toughest civilian job is both a lawyer and a politician. Born of Italian immigrant parents in New York, he was taken to Toledo as a boy and got his primary education there. His law degree, obtained in 1932, is from Georgetown University in Washington.

DiSalle's public service includes a period with the Ohio Legislature, a period as a city councilman and vice-mayor. Later he was the first Democratic mayor that Toledo elected in 16 years.

Clevelanders will well remember the campaign he put on in this area in his drive for the Democratic candidacy to the United States Senate.

DiSalle is probably best known for his authorship of the "Toledo plan." This plan, which did much to cut strikes, was a program of appointing a group of citizens to serve as referees for labor-management disputes.

And he has brought this same simple, direct and highly effective action to his very complex duties as the nation's first peace-time price administrator.

Now only 42 years old, he packs a mighty whallop in his five-feet-six, 200-pound frame which many have described as a virtual dynamo of energy.

For a good, clear picture of what has been happening to date behind the scenes in the Office of Price Stabilization, and for a concrete indication of what might yet be in store for you as a businessman or as a consumer, come hear the man who not only knows the answers but who is the guiding hand behind new answers as new questions arise.

**AND REMEMBER—THERE WILL BE AN OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD.**

**MARCH 3—PAUL COMLY FRENCH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CARE, INC.,  
JUST RETURNED FROM CONFERENCE WITH MARSHAL TITO.**

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## BELIEVE IT OR NOT

An innovation, last week, was what Veep Ralph (C.E.I.) Besse called the Inaugural Vice President's lunch. Ralph entertained the directors at the Union Club. Our info is that the only entertainment was food.

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Besides being an excellent jurist, Cityzen Wm. K. (Chardon Judge) Thomas is a chauffeur of multiple talent. In taking and returning the speaker for a Chagrin Falls P.T.A. Meeting last week, Bill shifted easily from one car to another as he went along and finally hopped into a taxi.

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Things are looking up for a 1951 Anvil Revue. Cityzen Russell Morgan (Musical Wiz) is working on two original songs. If they're one half as good as those he has composed for past shows, we won't need much else for a fine performance.

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Also, Cityzen John Ferguson has sent in a few tentative ideas. Cityzen Fred (Law & Voice) Tyler has been seen around lately, and a radio commentator telephoned a possible subject for a skit. No doubt a complete skit with dialogue and songs is in the mail, delayed by the railroad strike.

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The Leisure Class. At Tucson for a month, enjoying leisure and languor are Ex-prex Al Cornsweet and Cityzen Joe Newman. It is suspected that they are collaborating on a complete script for a City Club show—possibly in 1951.

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Headline on the sport page of *The News* last week: There's A Future For A Ticket Genius. The story did not refer to our genial Secretary, Jack

Lafferty, but it might well have done so. Jack is suffering an anticipatory headache caused by the inevitable squawks he expects about "no seats in the first row."

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Last Friday at the Allerton, seemingly all the lawyers in town, their wives, children and clients, were present at the monthly meeting of the Cleveland Bar Association (Lawyer Local No. 1). Ex-prex Marc J. Grossman presided with his customary efficiency and eclat. Of the Cityzens present, Ed Byers was handing out cigars; Henry Pancho (D. D.S.) Steuer regaled his neighbors with tales of the prize ring; Louis Seltzer tried to look like a lawyer; Samuel (M. D.) Berger enlarged on the evils of smoking; and, in the evening, David Ralph (Judge) Hertz threw a spiffy dinner party at which Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg's speech was repeated by radio.

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The office received an avalanche of calls and cards complimentary of the speech on Abraham Lincoln given by Clyde Varner at the Saturday Forum Meeting a week ago.

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Into the hospital and out again in two days was the accomplishment, last week, of Cityzen James (Law & Fish) Chiara. He is still waiting for some friend to send him that new book: A Diary of Somebody.

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Apparently a galaxy of our members will be sitting up front at the A.D.A. banquet at which Mayor Ernest Reuter of West Berlin and Madam Pandit will speak. It's Saturday evening, February 24, at the Carter—\$5.00.

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For the next four weeks, Bermuda will be the address of Cityzen Sidney (Law & Civics) Weitz, a reluctant vacationer. Returned from California: Cityzen Hugh Wells from a vacation with reluctant work.

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The Florida Special. Just leaving for Florida, Cityzen Robert L. (Ins.) Bowen to relax and catch up on his fiddle playing, Sam (Law) Williamson to catch up on his chess playing and, to Clearwater, Cityzen Ben (Bigheart) Schwartz.

## Jest in Fun

Parents still try to boss their children—but the kids don't mind.

—NK

# WGAR

*Cleveland's Friendly Station* PRESENTS . . .

## **THE CITY CLUB FORUM**



*A Story of*

**8 YEARS OF BROADCASTING IN THE**

*Public Interest*



"I have a forum—as wholly uncensored as it is rigidly impartial."

...FROM THE CITY CLUB CREED

For eight consecutive years, WGAR has presented to an eager audience, the famous Saturday Forum of Cleveland's City Club. From the beginning of October to the end of May, thousands of listeners depend on WGAR to bring into their homes an exclusive broadcast of the club's timely discussions by speakers of national reputation.

Cleveland is fortunate to have an organization such as the City Club. Its members are vigorous, stimulating individuals who represent a substantial cross-section of the men who count in the business, professional and public life of Cleveland. The club is organized around the idea of individual, free and complete expression of opinion, the interchange of viewpoints and the sharing of experience which makes democracy effective. The City Club is neither radical nor conservative. It does not endorse, advocate or proselyte. It is irrevocably dedicated to free speech.

Sharing these ideals, WGAR presents the City Club Forum as part of the station's constant effort to serve the public interest.

The celebrities listed below are but a few of the guest speakers who have made WGAR's Saturday afternoon presentation a milestone in Cleveland radio.

JAMES M. LANDIS • NORMAN THOMAS • HAROLD H. BURTON • COL.  
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*Why You'll Like  
Being a Member  
of the City Club*



# Headquarters of Free Speech in Cleveland

. . . THE CITY CLUB, 712 Vincent Avenue



Club Dining Room at a Saturday Forum Meeting.



Scene from the Club's annual Anvil Revue.



Actors (?) at popular Candidates Field Day.



Some notable "goats" at an Anvil Revue.



One corner of the Club's spacious lounge.



Post-luncheon scene in the card room.

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...ther Tells City

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News 10-28-48  
governor Thomas J. Herbert  
today he would wind up his  
campaign for  
ending the

## McDermott on Anvil Re- City Club's Show Saturday Was Best Yet, Meri Praise as Polished Professional Entertainment

BY WILLIAM F. McDERMOTT  
S. ROELIF LOVELAND told you yesterday in his  
admirable report, the City Club Anvil Revue  
is the best ever. We have been saying that a  
long time. This time the evidence  
is overwhelming and the agree-  
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## SOUTHERN EDITOR HITS DISTORTIONS Says His Section Effects Real Social Changes

P/D. 2-27-49



## See-Hear with STAN ANDERS Noted Southern Editor City Club Forum Tomorrow

Press 2-25-49

## Time Writer Tells City Club of Europe Gain, Asia Peri

Press 2-5-49  
prospects in western Europe but ominous  
the people in the world live, w  
magazine roving

This program has talked a great deal about the City Club every Saturday at 1. The points in The Pr

## Thomas-DeLacy Red Debate Enlivens Forum at City Club

P.D. 10-24-48

## Porter on Democrat Cleveland Has Special Brand . . . High Public

Take and Give Ribbing  
P.D. 12-4-48  
BY PHILIP W. PORTER

## Taft Warns President Will Domestic Program in C

N.Y. Times - Sunday, January 30, 1949

THE CITY CLUB really outdid itself in its Candidate Day last week. Not only did the sharp wit react high, but the governor of Ohio and the members of them members of long standing by acting as "managers" of long standing. I meditated, as I sat the how utterly impossible it would be to happen.

# You'll enjoy belonging to the Most Newsworthy Club in Town

Members of the City Club are on the "inside" of important news-making in Cleveland. No other similar local organization wins as many headlines, gets as much radio time and molds public opinion as steadily as this headquarters of free speech. The several hundred leading business and professional men and public officials who belong eat lunch frequently at the club's attractive Vincent Avenue quarters one reason being that that's where plenty of Cleveland news breaks before it hits the papers.

## *City Club Forum is News*

Many members come largely on Saturdays for the famous City Club Forum which makes free speech into headlines and has a tremendous radio audience for the weekly WGAR broadcasts. Such diverse speakers as Harold Burton, Norman Thomas, Col. Robert R. McCormick, Robert A. Taft, Thomas Stokes, Marshall Field, Rockwell Kent, Maj. A. P. Serversky, Louis Bromfield, Walter P. Reuther, Pierre Van Paassen, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Edwin D. Canham represent the kind of free expression of opinion and interchange of viewpoints that makes democracy,

American brand, effective — and it's news!

## *The Anvil Revue is News*

Each spring the big news event of the year is that irreverent, amusing and healthful deflater of political pomposity, the Anvil Revue, which always packs Public Music Hall. It's a full-fledged music show, written and produced by club members, for club members, as skillful in performance as it is biting and laugh-provoking in its satire. It's always a riot in the newspapers and recently even on television.

## *A Club for Citizens*

Men join the City Club to enjoy the Forum and the Anvil Revue but also because it's an interesting place to lunch, to take and make friends, to read and wait for appointments. But many who seldom visit the club, belong because they want to have a part in the important project of maintaining American free speech in these uncertain atomic days. There's a special satisfaction you'll enjoy in being a member of the newsworthy City Club.

*"I have a forum — as wholly uncensored as it is rigidly impartial"*

. . . FROM THE CITY CLUB CREED

# Creed of the City Club

Probably the best reasons for the success and vigor of the City Club of Cleveland and its ability to attract and hold the loyalty of important citizens of the community are to be found in the creed:

"I hail and harbor and hear men of every belief and party; for within my portals prejudice grows less and bias dwindles.

"I have a forum—as wholly uncensored as it is rigidly impartial. 'Freedom of Speech' is graven above my rostrum; and beside it, 'Fairness of Speech.'

"I am the product of the people, a cross section of their community—weak as they are weak, and strong in their strength; believing that knowledge of our failings and our powers begets a greater strength. I have a house of fellowship; under my roof informality reigns and strangers need no introduction.

"I welcome to my platform the discussion of any theory or dogma of reform; but I bind my house-

hold to the espousal of none of them, for I cherish the freedom of every man's conviction and each of my kin retains his own responsibility.

"I have no axe to grind, no logs to roll. My abode shall be the rendezvous of strong—but open-minded men, and my watchword shall be 'information,' not 'reformation.'

"I am accessible to men of all sides—literally and figuratively—for I am located in the heart of a city—spiritually and geographically, I am the city's club—the City Club."

