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Elect Howard W. Coles to City Council--South Dist.

COLES HAS BEST RECORD OF SERVICE TO THE CITY

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Howard W. Coles: Born at Belcoda, N. Y., was graduated from East High School and later was a Sociology Major in the University School of the University of Rochester. He studied journalism in New York City. Came to Rochester in 1934 and founded the FREDERICK DOUGLASS VOICE NEWSPAPER. In 1940, he was appointed by the Mayor of Rochester to represent the City at the American Negro Exposition in Chicago; and in 1942 he was recommended for the Spingarn Medal on the basis of his contribution to the community in the field of social and civic work. He was recommended (honor) by Dr. John Lowe, former Director of the Rochester Library System.

In 1941, he was historian and publicity director for the City of Rochester—sponsored transferral of the Douglass Monument to Highland Park. His magnificent expose, "Nomads from the South," which ran serially in the Voice was responsible for interest in the condition of the migrant worker and subsequent Statewide cleanup of Labor Camps. He is also credited by the New York State Legislature with making the first housing survey in the City of Rochester (1937)), and was a member of the City-Wide Housing Committee of the City of Rochester for four years, and for eight years was property manager for the Monroe County Savings Bank.

The original Housing Survey compiled by Coles, was published in 1939 by the New York State Temporary Commission on the Condition of the Colored Urban Population—To the Legislature of the State of New York—Legislative Document (1939) No. 69.

Here is a quote from the Commission's Report: "Although Rochester is a very highly organized community in relation to matters concerning social work, social and economic research, etc., it is somewhat backward when viewed in terms of recent trends in programs for adequately housing the population. It was not until very recently that it (was) manifested an interest in studying the housing conditions facing its population. This interest was undoubtedly given impetus by a sample survey of housing conditions among Negroes, conducted in 1938 by the Voice Newspaper and its editor, Howard W. Coles."

He was also appointed by the Commissioner of the New York State Legislature in 1939 as Co-Chairman along with Miss Elizabeth Langford as a special committee to investigate and study Public Welfare Services in Rochester, New York. He was also instrumental in requesting the appointment of several Negro Welfare Workers.

In 1940, he authored the "Cradle of Freedom," a history of the Negro people of Rochester and Western New York. He has contributed to Opportunity and Crisis Magazines, written a special series of six articles on housing of the Negro Family for the Democrat and Chronicle (1946). He has also contributed to the Rochester Times-Union, Rochester Evening News, and the Syracuse Herald-American. He was at one time rpresentative of the Pitssburgh Courier, Chicago Defender, Afro-American and Amsterdam News.

His book, "The Cradle of Freedom," can be found on the bookshelves of many of the Nation's leading Colleges, Universities and libraries—also in our public schools. Here are just a few of the great institutions of learning that are using this particular book—for research purposes: Howard, Yale, Rochester, Harvard, Duke, Vanderbilt, Princeton, New York, Columbia, City College, Poston, Atlanta, Cornell, Fisk, Tuskegee, Syracuse, Colgate, Chicago and Temple Universities.

ORGANIZATION AFFILIATION AND COMMITTEES

He is a member of the International Race Relations Committee; a Mason; United Steel Workers of America Union; Radio Missionary Singers Union of New York State; former menioer of the NAACP Executive Board; Citizens Committee in Cooperation with the FEPC; (Having sponsored the first Citizens Meeting here in Rochester at the request of the Commission's Field Director, Miss Dorothy Hunter and Commissioner Elmer Carter; Member of the Urban Cimmission for the Study of the Living Conditions of the Urban Population of the State of New York; Citizens Committee on Migrant Problems, State of New York; former member of the City Manager's Committee on Housing (4 years) Rochester, N. Y.; Negro Associated Press; Original Committee Member of the Committee for the Erection of the War Memorial; Charter Member of the Negro College Fund (Local) compiled Original Publicity for initial campaigns with Office in Democrat & Chronicle Building.

He is a great and untiring community worker and is a member of the Holy Trinity Missionary Baptist Church.

He served for five years as a member of the Public Relations Bureau of the City of Rochester. For the past (12) years he has been a member of the Advrtising Staff and Production Department of Radio Station WSAY. He is at present director and producer of six special programs for some 12 different sponsors. He has been active in the field of Real Estate for the past 12 years. He is at present associated with Mike Feldman, Realtor. His telephone number is **HAmilton 4727**.



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FORWARD!

In America, municipal government is democracy in action. No phase of government touches the life of the people so extensively and intimately. Human beings are profoundly influenced by surroundings, and the role of municipal government is primary in moulding their environment.

The program of the Liberal Party on the municipal level has always emphasized honest government, capably administered to provide residents with a clean, safe, healthful community. It is our municipal government that determines the conditions under which its residents live and the basic rights of association, discussion and group social and political action. Democracy can be real only as these elementary freedoms are secure in the local community. Political freedom is incomplete without social and economic well-being. The people who live in this community are dependent upon municipal administration for decent housing, education, sanitary conditions, welfare services, and the protection of lives and property from violence and conflagration. It is the local government to which people look for recreational services, transit facilities, and many services which are required during their daily existence.

The Liberal Party presents its Municipal Program, not as a campaign document, but rather as the continuation of a long term plan prepared years ago and brought up to date with concrete suggestions for providing the present needs of the people of our great metropolitan area. Characteristically, the theme of moral integrity, honesty and efficiency, planning and coordination, and dedication to the welfare of the people is necessary to the realization of these purposes.

We ask our fellow citizens to give this program critical and sympathetic study. We believe that we have defined goals that strive to achieve. With public cooperation this Liberal Party program can be developed into actual civic accomplishment.

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THE MAGIC HOUR HAS ARRIVED!

One of America's greatset poets was Henry W. Longfellow, and if I recall correctly, he wrote a poem which contained this phrase—"Comes a pause in the day's occupation which is known as the Children's Hour."

The lines from this beautiful poem could easily apply to our present political campaign because candidates, publicity people and voters in general appear to be very much like children when we look upon them in the light of day—with charge and countercharge bordering upon the possible and the impossible; all to gain the attention of an unsuspecting public.

Therefore, we take this opportunity to commend particularly the candidates who have been endorsed by the Liberal Party and we believe are following the Liberal Line. Many of these candidats will be found in the columns of both major parties as well as on the ballot to be voted upon under the caption of the Liberal Paryt.

THIRD ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED BY CONGREGATION AND FRIENDS



Rev. Milton L. Daniels

Amid the chanting of the entire congregation of the HOLY TRINITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH a large throng heard the immortal "23rd Psalm" and gained new strength and inspiration in the Christian way of life. Similar scenes were witnessed throughout the week at services conducted at the several community churches in honor of their pastor and wife, the REV. MILTON L. DANIELS, who is celebrating his third year as pastor of the aforementioned church located at 397 North Street, near Ontario Street, here in Rochester, N. Y. These services started Ontario street, here in Rochester, N. Y. These services started on Sunday, August 8, through Monday evening, August 8, 1955. Mr. James Tolbert, chairman of the Deacon Board, was in charge of the arrangements.

The participating churches included the following representative of the Rochester area: Peace Baptist; Mt. Vernon Baptist; Antioch Baptist; Friendship Baptist, Second Olivet Church, Syracuse, N. Y.; Eanon Baptist Church and the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church. There were 30 odd choirs and singing aggregations participating in this great affair. There were numerous community leaders present who paid honor to the great work that has been performed by their beloved pastor, Rev. Daniels and Mrs. Daniels and family. The graciousness of the occasion and the splendid effort put forth by every member of the church was indeed inspiring and heart-warming.

On last Monday evening the Pastor and family were honored at a special banquet attended by the various auxiliaries of the church and representative community leaders. Later in the evening he was presented with a special "LOVE GIFT" amounting to \$1500.00, by the church in appreciation of his three years of service to the church and the community at large.

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FALSE RELIGION

I can't understand how anyone

could confuse Communism with Christianity. Karl Marx coined the phrase, "Religion is the opium of the people." He also wrote, "Communism abolishes eternal truths it abolishes all religions.

truths; it abolishes all religion and all morality, instead of constituting them on a new basis....

But some Americans have been fooled into thinking that Communism is just another form of Christianity. Non-Communist writers who should know better often parrot the Red line that Communism and the teachings of Christ have much in common. Some years ago in one of our leading magazines a writer said, "Pure Communism, indeed, might be a Christ-like doctrine were it not for its political implications." This man couldn't

have known much of the real aims

At a Communist meeting recently a speaker gave the true Communist position on religion. "No true Marxist can believe in any religion," he said. "The Church is the enemy of the working class and must be shown for what it is -an enemy of the people." In this he did not differentiate. Jew or Gentile, Catholic or Protestant, it makes no difference. The Communists are dedicated to destroy be-

The real menace of Communism

is that it becomes a religion in

itself—a religion utterly opposed

to Christianity. It has no place for man's soul, for God, for heaven

gans and propaganda into relig-

ious groups on the themes of "peace," "democracy," "aid to the poor," and "civil liberties.' They will even use things like the Sermon on the Mount and the Christ-mas story to further their own

Religious people must realize that Communism is their great enemy. The zeal of the early Christians overcame paganism in Rome and civilized the savage gods of the northern barbarians. same zeal could convert godless Communists. It is up to American

Christians to recapture that in-

domitable spirit and to free the

you could well. make the one ahead

world from this menace.

Our struggle with Communism is more than that of differing political systems. The struggle is essentially religious. Communism attacks all forms of religion that base themselves on belief in God. Part of the Communist plan is confusion. They hope to divide our people and stir up strife between Catholic and Protestant. Another tactic is deception. Time and again they inject their slo-

and doctrines of Communism.

lief in God.

COMMUNISM IS A

VOTE FOR PROGRESS-ELECT THESE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES!! CONTINUE GOOD GOVERNMENT



Frank J. Horton Councilman-at-Large



Richard W. Nersinger, Sr. Councilman, Northeast District



Hyman B. Freeman diman, East District



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George D. Ogden



Daniel J. O'Mara



VOTE ROW A-ALL THE WAY--NOVEMBER 8th

VOTE FOR THE PARTY OF PROGRESS

Monroe County Republican Committee

PATRICK J. FLYNN, Republican and Liberal Party Candidate for re-election to the office of Third Ward Supervisor.

Mr. Flynn was appointed in February 1954 by the City Council to succeed the Hon. Leo T. Minton who resigned as Supervisor upon being appointed City Court Judge.

Mr. Pat Flynn and his wife Ann have been residents of the Third Ward for the past seventen years, living in their own home at 201 South Fitzhugh Street. He is, therefore, acquainted with, and sympathetic with, Third Ward problems, particularly the need for more playgrounds and better housing.

Both Mr. Flynn and his many friends feel that with his invaluable experience gained during his present three year tenure of office that he can do a still better job during the next two years.

.....Mr. Flynn is President and Manager of the Flynn Auto Livery. and a member of various social and fraternal organizations. He deserves and merits the support of all registered voters in the Third Ward. He also has the endorsement of the Liberal Party.

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I Long Overdue War Memorial	1945—\$2,500,000
I Promise of a New East High School	1953—6 Million
I Blueprinted Civic Center	
I Limited Baden-Ormond Improvement	ent Project'52-2,976,019
I Unapproachable Ramp Garage	

*Only \$500,000 from City Tax money, with the remainder Federal Funds.

1955-\$7 Million 1955-\$7 Million 1954-\$18 Million 1954-\$4,496,000 Cost \$1,000,000

1954-\$3,640,000

1955-\$3,075,000

This money was wasted by hesitant Republican Governments.

MOST RECENT OF "FINAL COST"

LOSS TO TAXPAYER \$1,640,000 \$2,075,000

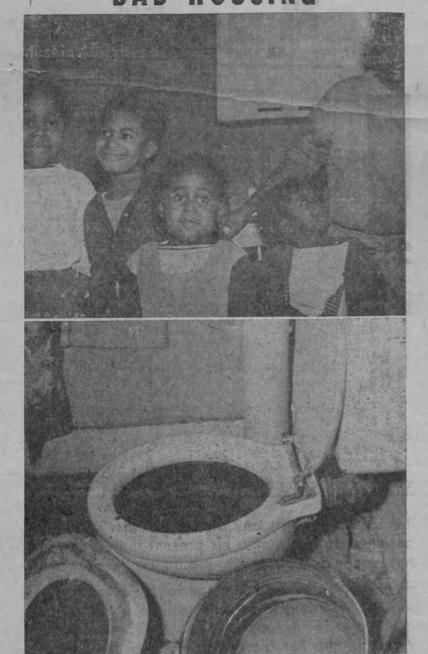
\$4,500,000 \$11,500,000 \$1,519,981 \$525,000

Total \$22,579,981 Plus

FOR THESE TAX DOLLARS YOU COULD HAVE HAD ALL THIS NOW PLUS

- I—A Completed Civic Center
- 2—Decent School Buildings and Adequately Paid Teachers
- 3-Improved fire-fighting facilities and substantially increased Fireman's Pay.
- 4-More police on your Neighborhood Beat, and a Well-paid Police Force.
- 5-Expanded and Adequately-staffed Play Grounds and neigh-
- borhood swimming and wading pools.
 6—The cost of TEN YEARS SEWAGE IMPROVEMENT.

HOUSING



A Photo of Bad Housing-Which was Cleared up by the GREAT BETTER HOUSING PROGRAM—OF Candidate H. W. COLES

VOTE STRAIGHT LIBERAL --Elect a Man of the People - Sam Opperman

Coles' Platform

- I.—Continuance of "Better Housing Program and Slum Clearance and Urban Development originally started in 1937.
- 2.—Will ask the City Council for the immediate appointment of Mayor's Committee on Minority Problems.
- 3.-Will ask City Council to add new Committee Members to "Rehabilitation Commission" which was created after Coles had demanded that this body established in Rochester, N. Y.

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HYMAN B. FREEMAN, Candidate for Councilman — East District—Residence, 280 Berkeley St. Business address— 800 Powers Building. Councilman—East District. Born at Syracuse. N. Y. Sept. 3, 1904. Educated in Public Schools of Syracuse and Rochester, N. Y.; graduated Albany Law School with degree of Bachelor of Laws 1926 ... A resident of Rochester since 1919. He is a lawyer having been admitted to the Bar in 1927. He is a member of the firm of Strang, Wright, Combs, Wiser and Shaw, having been associated with such firm and its predecessors since his admission to the Bar. He is a member of the Rochester, New York State and American Bar Associations and was Secretary of the Rochester Bar Association from 1948 to 1953 and its President fromb 1953 to 1954... He is presently a Trustee of the Local Association.

He is a member of the Boar dof Trustees and Vice-President of Congregation Temple B'rith Kodesh as well as Vice President and member of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Education Association. He served as co-chairman of the 1955 State of Israel Bond Drive. He is also a member of the local chapter of B'nai B'rith.

He is a member of the Flower City Lodge 910 F. & A. M. as well as Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple.

He is a member of the Advisory Council of the Monroe Branch of the YMCA, and a former Secretary and member of its Committee of Management.

He is a former member of the Board of Trustees of the Legal

Aid Society of Rochester. He is married and has two children: Arthur, aged 18, a student at Columbia University, and Ruth, aged 15, a member of the second year class at Monroe High School.