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EDITORIALS

It's Going On Here . . .

Yes, right here in Farmington and only you and your neighbors can stop it. Failure to stop this scourge or at least slow it down may mean disaster. You can help!

It is like a disease that strikes and kills, yet all our science, our wisdom, has little effect. It is not incurable or mysterious. It is a disease that can be fought and cured if all of us will do our part.

You have seen it at work. You have seen it because it isn't something you forget. It may have even struck you down left you sick and injured. Hundreds of patients are lying in hospitals right now, victims of this scourge.

Do you know what it is yet? Some might call it autocarelessness. It strikes when least expected — it kills. Symptoms are high speed, failure to observe the laws, disregard for others on the road, showing off. The results — instant death, long days flat on your back in a hospital bed, pain and suffering. There are no inoculations, no sure preventives except — care and caution.

It may strike any time, any place and to anyone who drives on our streets or highways. If it was a germ, our doctors would isolate it. If it was a criminal our law enforcement agents would imprison it. But it is not that easy. Only you and your neighbors can stamp it out.

Remember you can't take a few saved minutes with you. You can't apologize for a broken law to a broken hearted mother. You can't act "smart" at the wheel of the old bus and expect to look anything but pitiful in a hospital bed.

A disease is sweeping our community, our state and our nation. It is taking lives, it is leaving others injured and crippled. It can be stopped, if every driver, every pedestrian, remembers not to forget. Play it smart — play it safe!

Common Ground . . .

is that little patch of green where men can stand and agree about even such a controversial matter as the weather.

There is a lot of talk about that patch of green, but up to now, no one seems to have found a spot large enough for both the U. S. and Russia. There are a lot of patches around, but something seems to be wrong with nearly every one of them. They are either too near or too far, too green or too brown, or too something.

Henry Wallace seems to have found a fertile patch, but there doesn't seem to be much room after he and Stalin get on it. There have been other patches pointed out but they are either too far, right, or left.

Most authorities believe there is a patch someplace, but it is going to take a little effort on both sides to get there. The encouraging fact is that somebody, at least, believes there is such a spot. However, talk back and forth is getting to be a little monotonous. Every authority has his theory on where this spot is and how to find it. But we have yet to get our maps and figure out actually how and when we get there.

The United Nations should be that patch of green, and it is the duty and responsibility of the United States and Russia to see that it is made green and kept that way. It is common ground designed for nations working in the interests of peace. But even this doesn't seem to be quite suitable to Russia. She has stomped her foot in protest at nearly every word, even picked up and gone home in protest on several occasions.

In spite of our wide differences in government, sufficient common desire can be found to pull the United States and Russia together in the interests of international peace. It can be done without appeasement, it can be done without domination. It can be done by down to earth action toward a real understanding. It can be done by minimizing our differences rather than making capital of them. It can be done by dispelling the fear complex that exists in both countries. It can be done by a firm but friendly governmental statement, declaring our democratic stand and our desire for peace and understanding.

Our domestic differences in government need not interfere with our joint efforts toward peace. But independent statements of policy and talking it around and around is getting us nowhere. The people of the United States want peace. They want understanding. They want action. And they want Russia to know it.

Churches

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
 "The Church on the Park"
 Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor
 Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist
 Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.
 Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

OUR INVITATION
 I love to come to this still place,
 Where deeper peace is always found,
 To kneel as though on holy ground.
 And feel my Master face to face
 I do not know how I could live
 If there were not this refuge here.

Where I could linger at His feet
 And lie to me sweet healing give.
WELCOME

FIRST METHODIST
 Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Third Grade up. 11:00 a.m., Below Third Grade.
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
 11:00 a.m. Nursery.
 Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., Sunday.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
 Canton and Grand River Farmington, Michigan
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor
 Morning service at 11:15 a.m.
 Evening Services at 7:30 p.m.
 All music of the church is under the direction of Miss Wilma Hood.

WEST PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
 J. Scott Greer, Minister
 Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
 Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

STARK GOSPEL MISSION
 9583 Laurel Road
 Corner of Laurel and Pine Tree Rd.
 1 Block South of Plymouth Road,
 1 Block West of Stark

Sunday service and Sunday school at 1:00.
 Church service at 2:00.
 Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 8:00 p.m.
 This is a cottage prayer meeting. Ladies prayer meeting Thursday afternoon 2:30 to 4:30.
 Pastor: Rev. Orville J. Windell.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
 M. J. Remick, Pastor
 Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service and 8:00 o'clock. Special music and speakers.
 Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
 Rev. Douglas Teeple, Pastor
 West Seven Mile Road
 Just East of Farmington Road

10:30 a.m. — Morning Worship and Sunday School held at the same hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stoughton, 19015 Woodring. Nursery School for children under three. Everyone welcome.

FIRST BAPTIST
 "The Friendly Church"
 Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor
 Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
 Memorial Day message, "The Christian and Civil Government."
 Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
 Youth Meetings at 6:30 p.m.
 Evening Services at 7:30 p.m. Message on the theme "Neither Changeling Nor Scientific." Baptismal service.

Monday, Brownie Troop 13 at 7 p.m.
 Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7 p.m.
 Tuesday, Brownie Troop 4 at 7 p.m.
 Girl Scout Troop 7 at 7:30 p.m.
 Workers' Conference at 8 p.m.
 Wednesday, Midweek Service at 8 p.m.
 Friday, Senior Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
 William Grace School
 Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
 E. L. Stuempfli, Pastor
 Sunday school for children of all ages at 9 a.m.
 Two services every Sunday, at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.
 Lutheran Hour broadcast may be heard over CKLW every Sunday noon at 12:30.
 St. Paul's P.T.A. meets this Friday at 8 p.m.
 Our Christian Day School will hold its graduation exercises on June 4th at 8 p.m. All are welcome.

STILL THE BIG QUESTION MARK!



Washington Digest

By SAUKHAGE
 News Analyst and Commentator

Series Of Contradictions Marks Political Campaign

WASHINGTON — Political currents and cross currents are running high, wide and deep along the Potomac these days.

The wave of popularity stirred up by Stassen supporters is not pleasant for regular Republicans to contemplate. Some of the non-professionals however, particularly those in the Taft corner, are very bitter about it, not because they think that Stassen will get it, but because of the way he has served to block the Taft efforts—despite the fact that these efforts have been labeled "rightly" or "wrongly" from the beginning. Deweyites don't admit their own wronging just.

I talked to one of the Taft men recently. "What makes me sick," he said, "is the way the people who have done their best to break down Taft are full of praise for him now that they think he is best man. They describe his efficiency, his frankness, his grasp of the subject he discusses, and they talk about Stassen's vagueness and inability to answer Taft's charges. "And these," he wound up, "are the same people who have been shouting at Taft ever since he started his presidential campaign."

There is something in what this man says. You would be surprised how many liberals, how many Democrats even, praise Taft privately, but either they can't quite come out openly in his favor, or they take for granted that he can't win anyhow.

Then there is the great group of Republicans who are going to vote for Dewey, but act as if they were getting their teeth in the process. "What have you got against Dewey?" I ask them. "Some are vague, others say the New York Governor is a 'traitor'—an opportunist... never comes out for an issue until he sees a Gallup poll on it... but I suppose he'll win..." Can he? Since the Stassen hurricane, the oldtimers are talking a little differently about Dewey. Some of them who have predicted right along that Dewey would win now are saying that Stassen has undermined him so thoroughly that now Dewey has no more chance than Taft.

And all the time the Vandenberg tide is rising. But here's an interesting thing: Way back in February some very keen observers were saying that Speaker Joe Martin of the house of representatives had the best chance of anyone for the Republican presidential nomination in case of the expected Taft-Dewey deadlock.

At the time many people were surprised at that opinion. But it wasn't long before we began to see mention of Martin here and there. Then, finally, insiders accepted him as probably the best bet of the several Republican dark horses. I know I could feel his popularity growing as I travelled around the country.

But then came the surprise move when Martin was credited with bringing about settlement of the coal miners' pension row—the appointment of Sen. Styles Bridges of New Hampshire as neutral trustee on the pension board with John C. Stennis of Ezra Van Horn, and the agreement that was reached between Bridges and Lewis.

At first the settlement put Martin in a favorable light with the public. Then some of the conservative Republicans who hate Lewis expressed their disapproval. There were hints of a "deal" that had been reached between Bridges and Lewis before Bridges was appointed. Democrats charged that Martin was politicking. Horn, representing the operators, appealed to the courts to declare the pension agreement invalid.

Martin's stock dropped. And the oldtimers began to say his chances for the presidential nomination were slim. Not so much because of the pension deal itself, but paradoxically—and this is one of the accepted paradoxes of politics—because of the pension deal.

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By GENE ALLEMAN

An answer to the eternal question — why does government cost so much? — was provided recently by Governor Kim Sigler and Thomas J. Wilson, director of civil service.

Wilson pointed out that 3,216 new employees had been added in the past five years as a result of new activities, most of which were authorized by the legislature. Another 2,300 employees were hired to take care of an added load of work due to a 16 per cent increase in population.

Governor Sigler pointed out that if people wanted increased services from the State of Michigan, they must expect to pay for it.

A good illustration of how public services expand is found in Michigan's newest state agency, the Michigan Department of Economic Development.

The legislature set up this agency at the request of Governor Sigler. In his inaugural message January 2, 1947, Sigler recommended that the Michigan Planning Commission be abolished and a Department of Economic Development be created. Here is an excerpt: "I believe we can agree that the development of the economic, social and physical well-being of the State has become an established function of State Government. . . . All of the states of the Union, except three, have recognized this responsibility."

Heading the Economic Development department is Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce of Houghton county, a retired army career man. General Royce is director at \$2,500 a year. Administration director is Don C. Weeks, former head of the detached planning commission, at \$5,500 a year. The year's budget is \$198,000.

What will this new agency do? The year's program was adopted by the commission at its May meeting in Lansing. Here are some highlights. Assisting communities to make industrial surveys, such as has been done in the Upper Peninsula; inducing Michigan industries to consider Michigan locations when planning branch plants; development of rural industries; industrial land use; modern town building codes; special economic studies such as the state's transportation needs; publicity of the state's economic resources; and quarterly reports on economic conditions and trends.

The commission believes the state highway department should supplement its auto ferry service at the Straits by a similar service "between additional points" Frankfort to Monroeville has been (Continued on Page Five)

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (May 25, 1923)
 Will Celebrate First Centenary
 Farmington's centenary celebration project was formally launched at a public meeting held at the town hall Monday evening, which between 30 and 40 citizens of this community gathered and formed a working organization to be known as the Farmington Centennial Association. A spirit of harmony and enthusiasm pervaded the gathering and organization starts out on its work under auspicious conditions. The purpose of the organization shall be to appropriately observe and celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the settlement of the Township of Farmington. The nominating committee recommended the election of the following officers for the temporary organization: Chairman, N. H. Power; Vice Presidents, President of Village of Farmington Carl Hogle, Mrs. M. B. Pierce, Charles E. Ely, Sidney D. Eva, Miss Mary Green, Harry McCracken, Miss Marion Thayer, Mrs. Edna Dohany, Isaac Bond, Miss Carrie Noble, Miss Verna Lett, Carlos Hatten.

TEN YEARS AGO (May 26, 1938)
 New Dress Shop Makes "Get Acquainted Offer"
 Remodeling and redecorating work on the interior of Irene's Apparel Shoppe at 33415 Grand River Avenue, next to the post office, is nearing completion. The rear partition has been moved back, and new shelves are being added. Mrs. Nelson, proprietor, says she is pleased with the cooperation extended her during her two weeks of business in Farmington and she looks forward to serving the community in the future. As a special "get acquainted" offer, she is asking patrons to bring in a coupon appearing elsewhere in the Enterprise.

FIVE YEARS AGO (May 27, 1943)
 Oakland County Inductees Will Not Go Hungry
 Army inductees leaving Oakland County no longer feel pangs of hunger arriving at Fort Custer. If the local Red Cross chapter has anything to do with it. The canteen corps has begun packing a substantial nourishing lunch in attractive boxes for each boy. The Red Cross began this service when notified that often the inductees, after leaving the county during the early afternoon, would not reach the camp and have an opportunity to get a meal until nearly midnight. The canteen corps already has packed more than a hundred of the lunches and plans to give one to each inductee leaving Pontiac, Birmingham and Royal Oak.

Long Distance Calls To Be Limited
 Beginning Monday, May 24, don't be surprised if the telephone operator asks you to limit your long distance call to five minutes. On that date, the Michigan Bell Telephone Company will institute the new practice in order to help conserve time on overloaded telephone lines.

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No. 12

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