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EDITORIALS

Another Cross . . .

of death has been erected at the corner of Eight Mile Road and Farmington Road. And again residents of Farmington and Livonia are aroused over the situation. This intersection has far too many crosses now. One is too many, but it seems to take quite a few before people stop and think. It is impossible to estimate how many near deaths and minor accidents have taken place at this intersection. We have witnessed a few ourselves.

An ever increasing flow of traffic is crossing this spot every day. Both Farmington Road and Eight Mile Road are heavily traveled. To complicate the situation, Farmington Road has a short jog in it just north of Eight Mile Road.

Warning markers, well back from the intersection would help to save lives. A traffic light might also be an answer to the problem. The straightening of Farmington Road is a third solution to reducing the danger at the intersection. Warning markers would undoubtedly be the most economical and efficient step in securing relief. The other steps should be taken under consideration and study.

All the precautions in the world, however, can not eliminate accidents. Farmington Road from Farmington City to 8 Mile Road is narrow with deep ditches on each side. It is not a high speed road, yet drivers continue to plow down it. Any intersection is dangerous, and if you want to live you will slow down and have your car under control for any emergency.

Every effort should be made to warn motorists of the dangers of this intersection. It needs and deserves immediate attention before more death crosses are erected. And every effort must be made by motorists to beat carelessness. Those minutes you watch you are saving — you can't take them with you.

We Are Harping . . .

maybe you would even call it nagging, about voting. But we can't think of anything that is more serious to our way of life than indifference at the polls.

That lack of responsibility has been clearly demonstrated at two recent elections in our community. Some have said, "Well, isn't that vote pretty good for a special election?" The answer is "No!" In the two elections, less than 40% voted in one and less than 20% voted in the other. Is that good? Is that a record to be proud of?

We aren't talking about you — we are talking about the other fellow, your neighbor who was too busy to vote. He is the fellow who will wake up some dull, dreary morning to find out he can't vote. Then it will be too late. Oh, it can't happen? Ask 'em over in Europe. A lot of people over there were too busy to practice democracy — now they have no democracy to practice. They are sorry now, but it's too late. They can and are pleading with us not to let it happen here.

In about a month there will be Annual School elections at both Farmington and Clarencville. It is still early, but we want to give that other fellow plenty of time. Your schools are big business, important business. They deserve your attention and support. The type of schools we have, the caliber of officials we select to govern them, is a direct reflection on the progress of our community as well as the future of our boys and girls.

Democracy, like our schools, is our business. They go hand in hand. Let's keep it that way by voting not 20 or 40%, but 100%. It's the best investment we can make towards the future security of our nation.

Taking A Quote . . .

President Truman's present tour through the west is "non-political". Which just goes to prove that no matter how you slice it, there is so much politics in government that even the experts can't tell the two apart.

Churches

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.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Rev. W. Rutkowski, Pastor
Sunday School 9:40 a.m., nursery to senior departments.
Divine services at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 12:30 Sunday noon, over CKLW.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister.
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.
11:15 a.m. Nursery School.
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m., choir rehearsal at the church.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2500 Grand River at
Corner of Imperial Hwy.
Victor F. Halbroth, Pastor
Early Service, 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Late Service, 11 a.m.

ORCHARD METHODIST MISSION
Thirteen Mile Road at Greening
10:30 a.m., Morning service for everyone.
6:30 p.m., Youth Fellowship.
Nursery for small children.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.

CLARENCVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan
Elsie A. Johns, Pastor
Willis A. Hood, Director of Music and Religious Education
10:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic Sunday School.
11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship.
6:30 p.m., the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship.
7:30 p.m., the Evening Service.
7:45 p.m., every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

FIRST BAPTIST "The Friendly Church"
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Midweek Services at 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
"The Church on the Park"
Rev. Carl M. Schur, Pastor
Mr. J. H. Moore, Jr., Organist
Mr. G. C. Gildemester, Bd. Pres.
Mr. E. B. Tyler, Dir. of Rel. Ed.
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.
Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

Aim and Purpose of Salem Church
Help seeking people, through benevolent service, come close to God and to human comrades in worship.
Help seeking people learn the truths by which they may live brave, happy and useful lives.
Help seeking people gain strength by which they may become that which they have learned they ought to be.
Help seeking people find comfort in sorrow, courage in struggle, joy in victory.
Help seeking people come into union with Christ, their Master and Friend.
Help seeking people understand the meaning of our religion, and we invite you to "Come and See."
"Go to the church of your choice, but go to church."

ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Lenore and Curlew Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)
Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar
8:30 a.m. Church School (Three Years and up).
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (First Sunday Holy Communion).
11:40 a.m. Kindergarten (3 to 5 years).
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
W. 7 Mile, E. of Farmington Rd.
Rev. Cadman Prout, Pastor
9:30 a.m., Church School.
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship, nursery for children under 5.
W. S. C. S. on second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Greer, Minister
Bible Study 8:15 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

ORCHARD METHODIST MISSION
13 Mile Road at Greening
Rev. John Mark, Pastor
10 a.m. Church Service.
11:45 a.m. Sunday School.
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship.
A. Barany, Sponsor.
Nursery department in care of Sally Pfeiffer and Sally Orth.
Ladies Guild: First and Third Thursday each month, 8 p.m.



Washington Merry-Go-Round
By DREW PEARSON

VA HOSPITAL FIGHT
The public doesn't know it, but the real reason for news regarding veterans hospitals is politics. It is also why conscientious Dr. Paul Magnusson, chief of the Veterans Administration's medical division, has been on the point of resigning. He wants hospitals located where medical conditions are best, while military Veterans' Administration Carl Gray sometimes locates them where

political conditions are best. Here are some specific examples: Muley Bob Daughton's Hospital—The V. A. soon will build 1,000-bed neuropsychiatric hospital at Salisbury, N. C., despite the fact that medical authorities want it at Durham or Winston-Salem where it would be near Duke University and the future site of Wake Forest college. Doctors always like to place neuropsychiatric hospitals near medical centers, because nerve patients sometimes have a complication of diseases.

This view also was supported by Secretary of the Army General Gray, a North Carolinian disgraced other North Carolinian discredited. He was Congressman Bob Daughton who, as chairman of the ways and means committee, is one of the most powerful members of Congress. Despite economic and medical preferences, Daughton wanted the hospital in his district. So it is going to be put there.

Senator Murray's Hospital—A 100-bed hospital is being built at Miles City, Montana, also far from a medical center, as a favor to Sen. James Murray of Montana. This hospital originally was scheduled to be a part of a V.A. project at Minot, North Dakota, until "Doctor" Murray decided otherwise. It will now cost the taxpayers the huge sum of \$4,475,091, or more than \$4,000 per bed.

Congressman Vinson's Hospital—The V. A. has been forced to take over and maintain another out of the way hospital at Dublin, Georgia, built by the navy as a favor to Congressman Carl Vinson of Georgia, powerful chairman of the armed services committee.

This hospital is so far from a main-line railroad that the navy had to build a special airfield to bring in patients. Also, only 360 of its 500 beds are in use, due to the lack of medical personnel. To staff the Dublin hospital, Dr. Magnusson finally had to order 15 doctors there from other V. A. hospitals. Where Budget Bureau's Hospital—Another glaring case is at Augusta, Georgia, where the V. A., under pressure from the budget bureau,

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MICHIGAN MIRROR



INTERPRETING THE NEWS
BY GENE ALLEMAN

A hard-hitting political campaign is in prospect for 1950, according to Governor C. Mennen Williams caused no raising of eyebrows among Republican legislators when he accused them in a speech before the Michigan CIO Council of being controlled by "big business."

The best to the Mennen soap millions declared that "special interests have been served and the people's interests neglected" by Republican domination at Lansing. The "do-nothing" record of the legislature, he said, included inaction on a fair employment law, failure to remedy "outrageously unfair" discrimination in unemployment compensation law, hostility to public housing needs and woeing of private utilities by granting them higher rates.

It has been the consistent contention of the Democratic governor that \$12 more millions in government spending should be raised by a tax on business profits. Williams has persisted in the socialist belief that corporations should be made to dole out postwar profits for public benefits. In fact, corporations would readily absorb the cost, he added. The cost would not be transferred to the consumer in the form of higher prices. It would be added expense of doing business in Michigan.

This "no consumer tax" plank in the Williams platform was unveiled one year ago. Republican legislators were not impressed. The reply was "socialism" for personal political propaganda.

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

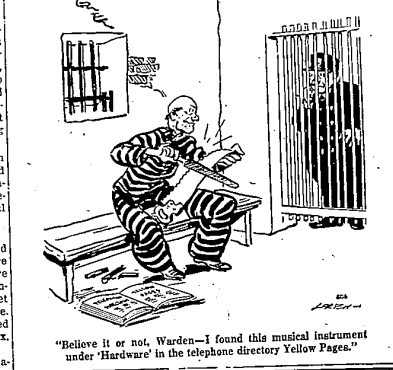
Forty Years Ago (May 20, 1910)
Omit Mexican War Veterans
The last legislature, which passed a law exempting soldiers from taxation who served in the Civil War, evidently lost sight of the Mexican War, and made no provisions for these soldiers. Some are pointing out the law as unfair, although the omission was unintentional. An examination of the law which exempts all Civil War veterans and their widows from paying taxes on their homes, providing the value does not exceed \$1200, reveals the fact that absolutely no provision was made for veterans of the Mexican War.

Dedicate Debt-Free Hospital
After eight years of hard toil on the part of an association of ladies, the Oakland County Hospital was thrown open to the public for the first time on Wednesday night. The hospital is free of debt because of the ladies' work in securing donations over an eight-year period.

Ten Years Ago (May 16, 1940)
A survey to relieve traffic congestion on Grand River Avenue will get under way soon, according to Murray D. Van Wagoner, state highway commissioner. Engineers will study the feasibility of making at least part of Grand River a limited access highway, shutting off all cross traffic either by elevating the roadway or by some other means.

Graduate 86 Seniors
The largest graduating class in the history of Farmington High School will receive diplomas this year at Commencement exercises Wednesday, June 15. Eighty-six seniors constitute the Class of 1940, an increase of seven over last year. Unusual allowance was made in the case of Keith Johnson, who will be given a diploma despite the fact that he has been out of school since the end of the first semester this year because of illness.

Five Years Ago (May 17, 1945)
The Farmington City and Township library received a \$144.10 check this week from the State Board for Libraries, reports Mrs. Florence Leach, librarian. This is the first payment on a grant from the General Library Fund for which the library has qualified. The library receives this grant because the local tax support is being maintained. Should the local tax support drop, the library would not be eligible for the assistance.



BIBLE COMMENT FOR MAY 21

Hebrew Prophets Defined Religion In Simple Terms

The Hebrew prophet, Micah, lived in the eighth century before Christ, but from that far-off age, in the book of prophecy that bears his name, has come a simple, exact definition of religion that is among the most often quoted of Biblical precepts. It is a definition of duty. As such it demands for the full determining the God, who is the source of life and love, and the true object of man's worship.

The gospel defines the Godward side of the religion, but the manward aspect is set forth in these simple, adequate words: "What is the name of the God, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love humbly with thy God?" (Micah 6:8.)

Beside it might be put the similarly simple and exact definition of James, the brother of Our Lord: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unstained from the world." (James 1:27.)

James defines religion in particular and specific acts, but acts that are symbolic of the entire Christian spirit and attitude. The definition in Micah is in more general and all-inclusive terms. What is to be noted about these simple definitions of religion is that they stand in contrast to, and in protest against, formal professions and elaborate rites of ritual that lack the soul of sincerity, and the reality of goodness in words and deeds.

In a similar way, and in the same spirit, Amos had spoken even more strongly, as he observed the outward show of religious rites and rites, that lacked the true response of the soul to the God of righteousness and truth.

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