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EDITORIALS

Our Highway Needs

In these editorial columns we have previously mentioned the necessity for properly providing for the trade and traffic of Farmington's post-war growth. We should like to further elaborate on this phase of planning.

The Willow Run Bomber Plant will soon be in use again, engaged in production work of the Fraser Corporation. Undoubtedly many of Farmington's residents, and those living to the north of the city, will be employed at the plant, and driving each day to and from work. There will be a volume of heavy traffic, too, carrying materials and the finished products to and from the plant.

Already Pontiac is well established as an automotive center, and many of our citizens make this drive each day.

This means that Farmington is in the middle of a production area, and therefore it would seem reasonable that every effort would be made to obtain a good, through highway connecting the north and south extremities of the area.

Orchard Lake Road has, for many years, been a sore subject with most of the people who have any occasion to often drive on it. It is too narrow, in a bad state of repair and in the winter time the many curves make it extremely dangerous. Most people from here prefer to travel Middlebelt Road to Pontiac during the winter months, but this is not a paved highway and not suitable for heavy trucking and commercial traffic.

At Grand River the paved highway ends, and it is necessary to drive West on Grand River Avenue to the center of Farmington in order to take another paved highway, Farmington Road in this case, to the south. And here again we find Farmington Road is too narrow to be used as a through highway.

With the proper planning, and assistance and cooperation of the Michigan State Highway Department with the local bodies of government, it should be possible to provide a highway which would route through traffic around Farmington's business district, rather than taking it through the busiest part of the city. Such traffic is not only noisy and a problem of maintenance, but it creates a real hazard for pedestrians, particularly the school children.

If we detain this phase of planning much longer, Farmington will be up against a real problem, for it will be too late to easily obtain such a highway after all property, now vacant, is built up with stores and homes. What has been done to meet this traffic problem? Would it not be wise to consult with the Planning Department of our State Highway, and discuss with them the future highway needs of our community?

Let's do something about the situation while we are still in time — instead of again arriving with too little, too late.

There's Just No End

It might be logical for the government to pay certain people \$25 a week for working on certain government jobs if they could get no other jobs elsewhere.

But the logical outcome of this could be that the government would soon have to tell everybody what jobs to take, where to work, and at what wages.

And when there are more people than jobs, the next logical step would be for the government to regulate the number of people — in other words, to go into the birth control business.

When you start to take on government control, there's no telling where it will end.

Churches

FIRST METHODIST
 Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m. Sunday School, for fourth grade and above.
 11:00 a.m. Sunday School, for nursery through third grade.
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
 Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m. Sunday.
 Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
 E. L. Stuempf, Pastor

Sunday school and Bible class at 9:30 a.m. All classes are held in the Christian day school building.

Divine worship at 10:45 a.m. The Lutheran Hour, with Dr. Walter A. Maier, is heard over OKW at 12:30 and WJMK at 3 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
 Cambridge and Grand River
 Farmington, Michigan
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Interest is fine and attendance is growing.

Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m. the pastor preaching.

Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
 Evening Worship at 7:30 p.m.
 Mid-week prayer service on Wednesday evenings at 7:45. Good news service. Fine testimonies, happy fellowship.

REDFORD ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 16760 Davis Ave.
 James J. Davis, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Radio Broadcast WEXL 6:15 p.m.

Evening Service 7:45 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
 "The Church on the Park"
 Rev. Carl H. Schulz, Pastor.
 Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist

Morning worship service, 10:00 a.m.

OUR INVITATION
 To all who mourn, and need comfort—
 To all who are weary and need rest—
 To all who are friendless and wish friendship—
 To all who pray and to all who do not, but ought to—
 To all who sin and need a Savior and to who ever will—
 This church opens wide the doors and in the Name of Jesus, the Lord, says: WELCOME.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, Pastor
 Rev. Joseph M. Lemire, Asst. Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.
 Masses on Holy Days at 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.
 Daily Masses at 6:15 and 8:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH
 Rev. W. J. Frisk, Pastor

Meets at the Macabees Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.
 Mrs. Norma Hiddell, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer and Praise Meeting

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
 23608 Warner Avenue
 Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor

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BUY U.S. WAR BONDS AND KEYS

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
 NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON

A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
 New High School Auditorium, Farmington

"Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, October 14.

The Golden Text, Isaiah 33:24: "Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities. The inhabitants shall not say, I am sick; the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity."

GET A FEATHER IN YOUR HAT

COMMUNITY AND WAR FUND



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SUNDAY
 10 a.m. Bible School, all ages.
 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship. A series of messages on the present world conditions as seen in how God is working out his plan in this world.

WEDNESDAY
 8 p.m. Prayer and Praise Service.

FRIDAY
 10-11 a.m. Radio Glee Club (high school girls and boys).
 1:30-3:00 p.m. Missions meeting.

Due to the fact that plans are being made for a new building, Sunday services are held in P. T. A. building, back of Pierson school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Ru.

Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

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Insurance Industry

The 16th U. S. census reported the insurance business as the principal occupation of 524,723 persons, of whom 186,157, or more than one-third, were women. Nearly half, or 238,600, were agents or brokers throughout the nation. This is slightly more than 1 out of each 100 persons, gainfully employed in 1940—about the same number engaged in such large industries as coalmining, utilities, printing and publishing, automobile manufacturing, or the hotel business. Figuring 3.6 persons as the average household of each gainfully employed person, the number of persons deriving their living from insurance was 1,989,660, as of March, 1940. In addition, the insurance business was a minor activity of many other persons whose major activity was real estate or finance.

FIRST BAPTIST
 "The Friendly Church"
 Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.
 Bible School at 11:45 a.m.
 Junior and Senior B.Y.P.U. meetings at 6:30 p.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
 The Young Adults' Class will have a hay-ride party on October 13. Meet at the church at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served at the Wright's house, 22461 Floral, Farmington, after the ride.

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