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## EDITORIALS

### Since When . . .

do we have to go around on bended-knee pleading with voters of the State of Michigan to re-register?

Unfortunately that is just what is going on right now. Because of the indifference on the part of the people, Governor Kelly has had to set aside a special week, October 10 to 16, as "Registration Week." In a number of cities it has been necessary to deputize citizens and make a house-to-house canvass for registrations.

Is this necessary? The truthful answer seems to be yes! Certainly it should not be necessary. If the privilege to vote was taken away, what then? Yet this very indifference is what brings about such revolutionary movements.

A typical example of this "I don't care" attitude occurred the other day in a nearby city that has deputies working house to house. A housewife, after being asked whether she had registered yet or not, told the deputy that she would have to ask her husband first. The next day the deputy called again and was politely told by the housewife that they weren't particularly interested and didn't want to be bothered.

What does a government of the people, by the people, mean? It means you. It's your responsibility to register and vote if you call yourself an American.

October 16 is the deadline for the registration of voters in the City of Farmington. Everyone must register, regardless of previous voting record.

Up until last week only about one third of the qualified electors in the City of Farmington had re-registered.

Is this the kind of a record Farmington citizens want?

Don't wait until tomorrow — register TODAY!

### Not A Scare . . .

Just a warning! Our freedom is endangered. Our rights and privileges as Americans stand a chance of being swept overboard unless we wake up.

There are too many among us who believe that we have outlived our usefulness as a Democracy. They would sell our heritage, our ideals, our principles, down the river. Their movements are clever, appealing to the masses to spread hate, distrust and dissatisfaction. It's not new by a long ways, but it has caught millions unaware.

This movement has a headquarters, Soviet Russia — it has a supreme command, the Communist International — it has a plan to delay, confuse and harass American government and industry until the people are worn down, until the country is in such a state that the Communists can take over. This is treason, as laid down in our Constitution. All the laws of freedom — free speech — free press and the right to assembly, do not cover up the fact. A group or individual who conspires to overthrow our type of government is a traitor, and must be dealt with as such. They're in our government — they're in our labor unions — they're in our political parties.

What can you, as an individual American citizen do? You can get out and exercise every right and privilege offered you under the Constitution. You can and must vote — and encourage others to vote. Communism grows where Democracy is weak. You, as a laboring man, can gain respect and sympathy in your cause by stripping your organization of Communist followers. All Americans must familiarize themselves with their government, their leaders. We must know who we are putting in our government — what we are putting in our laws. We must know and use the machinery of Democracy, if we are to keep it from rusting out.

America is the people — the people must keep it American.



By GENE ALLEMAN

This week has been proclaimed "Registration Week" in Michigan by Governor Harry F. Kelly. Laggard citizens who have not re-registered in compliance with a new state law affecting communities or townships of less than 5,000 population have until next Wednesday (October 16) to do so. Failure to re-register with the town clerk by October 16 will automatically result in forfeiture of the right to vote.

Prospect: That 150,000 to 200,000 rural voters will be disfranchised on election day, November 5, while Detroit and Wayne county registrations will reach a new all-time peak. Try to explain that!

Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, who is now in Paris as a consultant to Secretary of State Byrnes, made an interesting comment about democracy in a recent letter to his son, Arthur H. Vandenberg, Jr., now in Grand Rapids.

"One of the things we are struggling over here in post-war Europe is the free balloting into the hands of FREE ELECTORS," the Senator wrote. "Upon our success in this regard may well depend the fate of several European countries. Our own democracy it is no less true that the fate of the nation depends upon free ballots in the hands of free electors. But these are no use unless the electors do their part."

"Funny, isn't it, how we Americans go off to war to protect our freedom and then daily complain placidly when we possess the right to exercise that freedom — the right to vote?"

Don't be surprised if the old recommendation to reduce the state sales tax from 3 to 2 1/2 per cent is dusted off during the 1947 state legislative session. We understand that the proposal, once related by the state tax study commission, is being seriously considered. Reason: Cities would be given the right to levy a one-half cent local tax.

War is hell, of course, but how about Michigan traffic accidents? Believe it or not, figures: August traffic deaths increased 46 per cent over August 1945. A total of 533 more persons were killed in Michigan traffic mishaps in the 41 months preceding the national war emergency than the total of persons killed in action during World War II. Every third car on the road is in an unsafe driving condition, according to recent tests. Actually it's safer, on a mile basis, to fly in a licensed airplane than to travel in an automobile.

Since rural sections showed the greatest percentage of accident increase, don't take it for granted that no one is approaching the next highway intersection. You

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### What's Happening

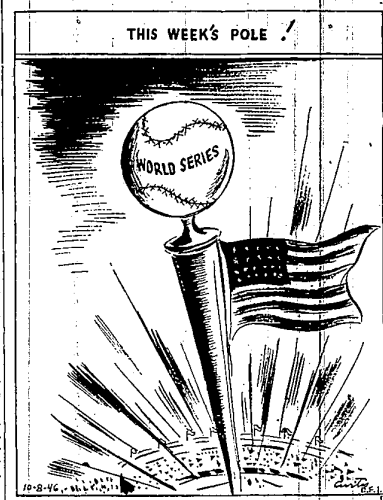
#### In Other Town's

**STANDISH** — "All veterans of Arenac County, whether or not they are members of a veterans' organization, are urged to be present at a veterans' mass meeting to be held at the K of C Hall Sunday. The meeting is a joint affair for the K of C, the American Legion and the respective auxiliaries. The ground work for building a veterans' home and club at the veterans' Memorial Park has been laid, and a plan for raising the money will be discussed."

—Arenac County Independent

**CHARLOTTE** — The Charlotte Junior Chamber of Commerce will again sponsor an essay contest during Fire Prevention Week. Three awards of \$100 each will be given for the best English essays, and three to the Senior high for the best essays on the subject, "What Has Been Done to Kill My Home of Fire Hazards?" The essays have been arranged for a short movie film on Fire Prevention, plus scenes of the LaSalle Hotel fire, to be shown at the LaSalle Theatre all during the week."

—Charlotte Republican Tribune



## Washington Digest

### Friendly Russian Element Holds Out Hope For Peace

By BAUKHAGE  
News Analyst and Commentator

WASHINGTON, D.C. — "America has no foreign policy!"

That is one of the bromides which has always been popular among critics of government. I do not know, on what the remark is based. If we haven't any foreign policy today, then many hundreds of thousands of words have been expended in comment on nothing.

While the recent Byrnes-Wallace controversy was raging I spent many hours trying to find out what our foreign policy toward Russia was supposed to be, and to go, why. I shall report as nearly as I can what I have heard. The report will be in the formal language of diplomacy, in which we have been told, words are used to conceal thoughts. I report it, compressed of course, but as nearly as possible in the phrasing used by gentlemen who ought to know what they are talking about.

We start with the not-too-startling revelation that American negotiations with Russia are complicated and difficult.

They are complicated because it appears the approach must be made along two separate paths, each leading to a separate Russian group.

They are difficult because there are unusual obstacles put in the way of the diplomat, especially our representatives in Moscow; obstacles which, I am assured, must be encountered at close quarters to be appreciated.

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### What's Happening

#### In Other Town's

"Gay Nineties Review" are also scheduled for Thursday and Friday nights. This is the first attempt by Kivans to combine the male and female talent of Holly in its annual show. The proceeds of the show will go to the Eleanor Roosevelt Children's Fund."

—The Holly Herald

#### GRAND LEDGE

"With the local high school well into the fall term, the Future Teachers of America have completed their organization and the Club is the largest in the history of the school, with 64 active members and officers have plans they hope will make the year the best ever enjoyed. The first activity for the year will be attendance at the Fall State Show at Detroit."

—Grand Ledge Independent

#### PLYMOUTH

"Sometime during the next year Plymouth, Nankin Mills and Newburg plants of the Ford Motor Company will be consolidated under one roof at the Waterford Geige Plant, according to a new report published by the Ford Company. This means that there will be employed at the Waterford plant by the end of another year 80, or nearly 90,000 men. If the consolidation program of the Company continues as it has in recent months."

—The Plymouth Mail

## Churches

**SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
"The Church on the Park"

Rev. Carl E. Schindler, Pastor  
Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist  
Morning Worship service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship 8 p.m.

**OUR INVITATION**  
I love to come to this still place, Where deeper peace is always found.

To kneel as though holy ground, And feel my Master's face to face. I do not know how I could live if there were not this refuge sweet. Where I could linger at His feet And live to me sweet healing give. **WELCOMED**

**WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH**  
Rev. J. H. Sanderson, Pastor  
Evangeline B. Ryum

**SUNDAY**  
10 a.m. Bible School, all ages  
11:15 a.m. Morning Worship  
A series of messages of 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**  
10:41 a.m. Radio, Glee Club (high school girls and boys).  
1:30-3:00 p.m. Missionary meeting.

Services are held in the Church building, 3321 1/2 W. Seven Mile Road.

**FIRST METHODIST**  
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for third grade and above.  
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for Nursery through Second Grade.  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.  
Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m.

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

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
J. Scott Green, Minister

Bible Study, 4:45 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship "Essential Knowledge", 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service "Expositions in Philippians", 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

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

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.  
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 songs, prayer, fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

**NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH**  
M. J. Remick, Pastor

Sunday Church Services at the usual hours. 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.

**FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY**  
William Grace School  
Rev. Orville J. Winkler, Pastor

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.  
Mass 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.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON

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

Lesson Subject  
"Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?"

**SUNDAY SERVICES**  
AT 11:00 a.m.  
And Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p.m.

First Methodist Church  
Christian Science Literature Available at  
21040 ONTARIO

Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evenings

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TEN YEARS AGO (October 15, 1936)  
Cut-Off To Be Closed One-Way

The Farmington Cut-Off will be open for east-bound traffic only, according to State Highway Commissioner Morris D. Van Wagner, whose decision to route all west bound traffic through Farmington on Grand River was prompted by three fatalities occurring on the Cut-Off during State troopers will be stationed at each end of the Cut-Off to direct traffic according to the new regulations until special signs are erected.

County O.E.S. Elects Mrs. Johnson  
Mrs. Harrison Johnson of Farmington is the new president of the Oakland County Eastern Star Association, the installation having taken place Friday at the M.E. Community Hall where the annual meeting of the association, attended by 375 members, was held.

Farmington Has First Snow  
Winter made its debut in Farmington Monday night when a light snow mixed with rain fell during the early part of the evening. It was a hard type of snow, easily confused with light hail, but melted as it fell to the ground.

FIVE YEARS AGO (October 9, 1941)  
Super Market To Open November 15

If the new Kroger Super Market building continues to progress according to schedule, it is expected to be completed by the 15th of November. The masonry work is about finished, and all the steel work has been erected. The roof is being started this week. In this way, the building will be enclosed before cold weather sets in, so that no delay will be caused because of inclement weather.

Dial System To Be Delayed  
Indefinite postponement of its plan to provide dial telephone service at Farmington, because of the shortage of materials, was announced today by the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. John R. McLachlan, manager for the company, said that because of the shortage of many of the materials required in the manufacture of telephone apparatus, the company finds it necessary to maintain present equipment in service where possible.

Red Cross Canteen Service Formed  
Bombing and marching troops may seem a long way from Farmington, but too many places thought they were safe until too late. To prevent it happening here, a Red Cross Canteen Service has been formed. Mrs. E. Pierce is captain of the Farmington branch while Mrs. J. DeVriendt and Mrs. F. J. Nash serve as lieutenants.

**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 13.

The Golden Text (Proverbs 2:28): "In the way of the right man is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death."

Among the Bible citations in this passage (Isaiah 5:20): "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"

Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p.447): "To put down the claim of sin, you must detect it, remove the mark, point out the situation, and thus get the victory over sin and so prove its unreality."

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

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Sermon topic, "The Bible's Word of Comfort." Instrumental music by Mrs. Schaeferburg will consist of themes from the Beethoven symphonies.

Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Enjoy the live discussions of active adult classes.

Junior, Senior and Adult Unions at 6:30 p.m.

Evening Prayer Circle at 7:00 p.m. in the Parsonage.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Congregational and special music. Informal message by the Pastor.

Monday, Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Girl Scout Troop 7 and Brownie Troop 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Midweek Prayer Service in charge of the Senior Youth Group at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, Choir Rehearsal at 8:00 p.m.

Durable Leather  
Because the leather was not well tanned, early colonists kept their shoes heavily oiled in order to preserve the leather. Today this is unnecessary because tanning is a process controlled by scientists making the leather more durable and beautiful. They have learned to use the skins of reptiles and marine animals, and have introduced the superior chromium tanning process. Chromium isy introduced patent leather, the shiny enameled hide used for purses and shoes. Dyeing has become a technical process and cheap leathers now can be made to look like the finest Morocco. More than 8,000 patents have been recorded in the leather tanning field.

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**STYLE . . .**

You can look like a million and feel like a million — without having a million dollars. Budget your expenditures wisely in keeping with your income.

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Farmington, Michigan

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**VOICE OF PROPHECY**

MUTUAL SYSTEM AND 250 OTHER STATIONS IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE

**VOICE OF PROPHECY**

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.