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# EDITORIALS

## Action Not Words . . .

makes safe cities. Farmington is on the action list. Farmington is on the way to becoming one of the safest cities in Michigan.

That ought to be easy? Remember this — Farmington may have only 1,650 population, but it is bisected by two main U. S. highways. It is interlaced with two main Michigan trunk lines. Accidents and deaths are figured on a population percentage basis. Is it so easy?

Police Commissioner Kenn Loomis and Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt have been hard at work the past few weeks surveying the traffic situation in the city. They announced last week they were ready to take action. Farmington's streets are going to be made safe.

If that was only all. But no — marking of turns on the pavement; making available more parking space; eliminating double parking; erecting new traffic signs throughout the city can not in themselves, wipe out accidents. It is action — action that represents a lot of hard work and conscientious effort. It is the first concrete step in making Farmington a safe place to drive and walk.

A start has been made. The rest is up to you. Stop signs and traffic lights save lives. Speed limits, caution zones save lives.

It's up to you!

## Farmington Owes . . .

a debt of gratitude to United States Representative George A. Dondero, for his untiring efforts in the interest of a Federal Post Office building for this area.

He has over the past months devoted considerable time and effort in supporting Farmington's need in Washington. In spite of the many demands placed upon him, he has promptly and efficiently answered the plea of local officials and organizations, for a new post office building for Farmington.

Through his efforts, the Post Office department has announced that an immediate survey will be made of the Farmington Post Office situation, for filing with the Federal Works Agency. This doesn't mean that Farmington will have a new post office tomorrow. But it does mean that it is being given consideration.

The need for a post office building in Farmington is critical. It is the only first class post office in Oakland County not in its own building. It is now serving 9,727 persons in the City and Township, plus nearly 3,000 persons in Livonia and Novi Townships. It has neither sufficient post office box space or work space, in spite of reorganization following the last January fire which partially destroyed the building.

Representative Dondero has helped immeasurably to turn these facts into action. He has, through his actions, performed a notable service to the citizens of Farmington.

## A Button Is No Good . . .

without a button hole or a light without a light bulb. In spite of recent strong words from former bureaucrats, supply and demand is no good without supply.

It still is the only real, sound control of prices. Tried and tested over years, it's proof by action should be convincing enough. To say now, "It won't work" is to say old dobbin is coming back for sure.

There is one important thing most promoters of the "business doesn't know business" theory, have forgotten. Demand must have supply before prices hit a controlling level. They point to the increased output of industry. They follow the lines up on the production charts. Higher than ever before. Yet prices remain high! So supply and demand no longer works.

One thing business figured on however was an uninterrupted flow of production. They knew that it would take a tremendous output far greater than has so far been experienced, to meet demands. Shortages in all things created over four years of war, had to be met.

Continual interruption of production, close outs, slow downs and walk outs have plagued the best laid ambitions of industry. There is nothing wrong with supply and demand that a little cooperation and hard work can't cure.

## Churches

**SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
17th Church on the Park  
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor  
Ruth, Chick 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 sweet.  
Where I could linger at His feet,  
And He to me sweet healing give.

**WELCOME**

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

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:15 a.m. Morning Worship  
12:15 a.m. Junior Church and Nursery

Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m. Sunday  
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

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

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:15 a.m. Morning Worship  
Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.

**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Cambridge and Grand River  
Farmington, Michigan  
Eliot 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 song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

**WEST POINT 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.

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

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.  
Message by the pastor.  
Sunday School at 11:30 a.m.  
Classes for every age.  
Junior, Senior, Adult Unions at 8:30 p.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Music and message.  
Monday, Brownie Scout Troop 13 at 3:15. Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7:00. World Wide Guilds at 7:30.  
Tuesday, Brownie Scout Troop at 3:15. Girl Scout Troop 7 at 4:00.  
Wednesday, Mid-Week Prayer Service at 8:00.  
Thursday, Alice McDonald Mission Circle at 10:30.  
Friday, Choir Rehearsal at 8 p.m.  
Saturday May 24, Mother-Daughter Banquet at 7:00 p.m.

**COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Fred Andrews, Pastor  
Services held in Pierson School Seven Mile, East of Farmington Rd.

The Community Methodist Church are holding their services in the Pierson School located at Seven Mile East of Farmington Road.

Church services and Sunday School classes will be held simultaneously from 10:00 to 11:00. Nursery school for children under three. Everyone is welcome.

Sermon subject for Sunday, May 25, "The Call of Abraham".

We hope to be in our new building by July 1.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
23701 Cass Avenue  
Farmington

11:00 a.m. Morning Services and Sunday School.  
8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial Meeting.  
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 11:00 to 4:30 p.m.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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

10:15, 11:15 and 12:30.  
Holy Day Masses: 6:30, 7:00, Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 8:00 and 9:00.  
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

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

Confirmation service Sunday at 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.  
Lutheran Hour over OWLW at 1:30 p.m.

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

Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:00; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock. Special music and speakers.

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

## KLEIG LIGHTS

HOUSE INVESTIGATION OF UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

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## Washington Digest

### Mexican President's Visit Boosts Friendly Relations

By BAUKHAUGH  
News Analyst and Commentator

WASHINGTON. — Despite the fact that relations between the United States and some of our sister republics to the south have degenerated considerably since the inventor of the "good neighbor" policy died that's not the case with Mexico. You would realize that if you had seen the all-time high in demonstrations that took place when Pres. Miguel Aleman visited Washington.

The first meeting and greeting on Constitution Avenue had the inspiration of local pep campaign but there was no outside stimulant injected into what was a really rip-roaring response to the lanky and smiling Latin when he visited congress on May Day. More than a few of his hearers could follow him in the Spanish — and everybody could match up his liquid phrases with the translation they held in their lips. The speech was short and snappy.

When he was through, senators, representatives and the packed galleries couldn't stop applauding even after the President had disappeared. Applause burst out again and again for almost everybody as they passed up the aisle. Senator Vandenberg, who usually is associated with foreign relations of another sort, was a generous fellow along with the cabinet members and diplomatic corps.

From the rostrum of the house of representatives, Aleman said that "nearly 300 million people living side by side in this hemisphere are concerned not only with assistance to ward off foreign aggression, but also with the efforts to overcome the dangers of poverty and despair in the difficult years of peace." A little bit earlier that day a joint statement had been issued, signed by both President Truman and President Aleman, stating that agreements had been reached for the U. S. to grant credits to Mexico — credits to make the greatest and earliest contribution to the economic development of the land below the Rio Grande. The two chief executives agreed that their respective administrations must exert every effort to raise the standards of living in their countries, increasing productivity and, consequently, purchasing power.

**CONFUSION PREVAILS AT NEWS CONFERENCE**

We newsmen had our own "hasty in vista" of the first afternoon. Blair-Leo house, a part of the twin residences turned over to visiting dignitaries for a press and radio conference which came near being chiefly a photographic contest. It was a struggle, unusually indeed, in that somewhat prelude setting of antique furniture, pale green

walls, wide mirrors and not very large early American rooms.

Not large enough anyway for the mob which surged about between the little bar, the battery of cameras and the doorway into the garden through which the President was to appear. Dogwood in the garden looked over the brick wall, in demonstrations that took place when Pres. Miguel Aleman visited Washington.

At last the tall smiling figure, flanked by secret service men, appeared. He sat at a table. The newsmen crowded around him, completely cutting off the cameras. The newsmen's huge hats completely screened the kleig lights. A controversy of no little heat ensued and no little heat exuded from the high candle-power bulbs and the normal radiation of a hundred or so energetic human beings.

Finally the newsmen were pushed back and the cameras set to work. Some of the reporters were pushed clear out of range and I saw one helpless, hapless gentleman wedged tightly between the bar and the backs of three husky Mexican pressmen. The poor fellow's right hand was pinned so notebating was impossible. Only his left arm was free and that was deep in the middle of a nest of scotch-and-sodas. What else could he do about it? (Said I yep?)

The photographing continued. The photographers in front wouldn't stop.

The Newsmen cried, "Enough!" One reporter, reversing the ancient proverb alight, "One word is worth a thousand pictures."

Photographers in the back begged for "one more." One stood on a chair; the barman, who had a keen sense of the aesthetic, reached over and pulled gently at his trouser leg: "Six, no, your dirty shirt!" The photographer apologized; got down.

No sooner was that settled than I heard the barman, this time almost weeping: "Oh, sir, that beautiful Duncan Phylis!"

I saw a photographer on a sofa: "Please!" It is not strong enough.

"Do they die in Mexico?" asked an American reporter, archly.

"They do in Mexico," answered a Mexican reporter, in perfect English, white teeth gleaming.

Little news was brought out beyond what Aleman had said to congress or what was in the joint statement concerning loans for Mexican industrial and agricultural development.

But there was one, last question: "What impressed you most on your visit, Mr. President?"

"Arlington and Mount Vernon," he replied. "The enduring lessons of George Washington, the great father of your country, must be constantly taught and rehearsed in your country."

And so the Truman gesture at Chapultepec was reciprocated.

**MEXICO EMBARKING ON SIX-YEAR PLAN**

Mexico still has some credit previously approved by the Export-Import bank which she hasn't used. She has borrowed \$8 millions largely used for highway construction, transportation and industry; she

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## Michigan

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

By GENE ALLEMAN

LANSING — Jottings from a columnist's notebook:

That 169 farm people were accidentally killed in Michigan during 1946. Agriculture has more major accidental death deaths than any other industry. That's why Farm Safety Week will be observed July 20 to 26.

That Governor Kim Sigler will relate his cowboy experiences over Michigan State College's radio station WKAR at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, as a feature for June Dairy Month . . . That the Sigler family is moving to the governor's summer residence on Mackinac Island, adjoining the old fort, about the middle of June. The governor-will fly up for weekends.

That 540 American Legion Posts and 370 auxiliaries will offer poppies for sale May 22-24; that each red poppy is made by a hospitalized war veteran who sells the poppy to the Legion; that the funds raised will assist war veterans.

That the spring growing season in Michigan is already 12 days behind schedule; that Holland had to import blooming tulips for its Tulip Festival last week; that Charles Flyg (Michigan agricultural commission) believes the 1947 peach crop will be just peachy — it may even top the 1946 record yield of 4,536,000 bushels.

That the average woman who complains about the price of clothes or fruit almost never sews her own clothes or cans her own fruit. 'Tisot funny, either.

That Senator Arthur Vandenberg is advocating the St. Lawrence Seaway to the Great Lakes where-by cost of the same ship will be paid out of tolls paid by the boats.

That Michigan has forest tracts owned by 370 schools and 125 cities under terms of a state law enacted in 1931.

That Michigan's newest member of the state conservation commission — Dick Fletcher of Bay City — is one of the grandest hosts on the AuSable. We still slow at the memory of the sight of two trout fishermen returning their live creel to the AuSable after a day's float. That is real sportsmanship!

That the U. S. Health Service estimates a million of us Americans become infected each year with tuberculosis germs and that 100,000 of us develop an active disease and take ill. The X-Ray film is still the best preventative.

That the City of Detroit made \$45,000 profit last year out of a city-owned restaurant which sells beer.

That it pays to be feeble-minded, at least in Elba Township in Lapeer county. This township is receiving a windfall of \$12,000 from Lansing as a result of the sales tax diversion amendment. Why? Because 60 per cent of the folks who live in Elba township are rest-

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## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

**TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (May 19, 1922)**  
Yes, They're Coming Our Way  
During the past months several families have moved into Farmington, the home town, and will become permanent residents. Spore houses are the crying need at this time. If the Farmington Improvement Co. would put up a few homes which could be sold at a reasonable price we believe it would be a good idea. We have the location, climate, water and the social and business atmosphere which is bound to attract many who appreciate these advantages.

**A Factory in Farmington?**  
While no great endeavor has been put forth to secure manufacturing plants in the past to come to Farmington, there is an apparently well-founded rumor that before long there will be a factory started here in a small way. It is said that one of our tonsorial artists has leased the old freight house of the D. & R. and will occupy it as a trunk factory. We are unable at this time to verify the rumor, but hope it will materialize into a fact.

**TEN YEARS AGO (May 27, 1937)**  
City Plans Widening of Three Bridges  
Made slightly larger than last year's budget, by an allotment for a bridge-widening project to be undertaken within a short time, the new appropriation bill was tentatively approved by all commissioners Monday night. There are three bridges in the city that are to be widened, under a three-year plan. They plan to appropriate a stated amount yearly for the improvement of each of the bridges until the work is completed.

**Summer Band School Offers Free Instruction**  
Pupils of Farmington Schools desiring to learn to play a musical instrument will have the opportunity to do so at the summer band school to be held at Farmington High School starting June 19. Ralph Banta, director of music at the high school, will conduct the classes scheduled to be in session throughout the summer vacation months.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (May 31, 1942)**  
Sunday Night's Blackout Under New Ordinance  
Farmington residents will experience their first total blackout this Sunday evening, May 24, from 10:00 until 10:15. This is the second total blackout for this area, but the first total blackout, since the first practice was carried out with the street lights on. This time there will be no light of any kind, and if there should be a light on it would shine like a beacon, so be sure that all your lights are out.

Six members were honored at last Wednesday's meeting of the Farmington Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. Leo Gamache for their long membership in the club, three of them being charter members and three joining shortly afterwards. The list included Mrs. Byron Pierce, Mrs. Josephine McGee, Mrs. Martha Warner, Mrs. William Irish, Mrs. Clyde Chamberlin and Mrs. C. W. Wilber.

## Home Loans for Veterans

We shall be glad to render any assistance we can to veterans who want to have homes of their own. . . Come in and talk over your plans with us confidentially. You are assured of our friendly cooperation.

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