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EDITORIALS

It's For Your Child . . .

and you. The Farmington Area Summer program is for your child and your neighbor's child. It's yours to take advantage of.

Already a large number of parents are sending their children to the nearby summer playground. Under competent supervision they are getting good, wholesome, outdoor enjoyment with other children their own age.

This is your program. Its future success and development depends on the degree of interest the people of the Farmington area show in the program. The more children, the bigger and better the program will be.

A full time director and playground supervisors are devoting their time to the entertainment of those children already taking advantage of the program. More children can be handled on the playgrounds. An interesting program is planned for them.

If your child is not already registered at one of the playgrounds, start him or her this week. Farmington has a fine recreation program under way. Let's help it grow.

There'll Be A Hot Time . . .

in the whole state come fall. At least it begins to look that way as far as the political scene is concerned.

The real bonfires haven't started roaring yet, but a few of the boys are striking matches already. Before many more months, the debris will be piled high and the campfires will be blazing.

Every indication points to bigger and hotter fires this year. The fact that they are already getting out the matches in July, as hot as it is, should mean something. It isn't apt to get anything but hotter as the months roll by.

All this creating of political heat means only one thing. Michigan is in for an old-fashioned toe to toe political campaign. Just where it leaves the poor voter, no one is ever too sure. Just where it leaves the warring politicians is a matter of speculation, too. It usually has a good result, however, that of interesting or riling the voters sufficiently so they get down to the polls.

But when a campaign starts out in early July on a name calling, finger pointing level, it leaves the voter wondering how much constructive good is going to come out of it all. Political campaigns were created for the purpose of informing the voter of a candidate's qualifications, his beliefs and his objectives, if elected. Little can be gained in the interest of the voter when campaigns turn to "running down" the other fellow.

Regardless of the party or the candidate, failure to offer constructive action or constructive criticism is failure to recognize the intelligence of the voter or the responsibilities that go with being a candidate for public office.

Every Seventy Of Us . . .

have a job to do. We have an extra mouth to feed, a body to clothe and a house or apartment to maintain.

According to "Michigan Survey" and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, one out of every 70 civilians is still on the federal payroll. That means that seventy of us are supporting one federal government employee.

This report goes on to state that although this number represents a considerable drop from the wartime peak, it is still double the number of employees in 1940. One other interesting sidelight from the report is that those working for the federal government draw the highest pay as compared with other groups of public employees.

In spite of repeated demands on the part of the public for economy in government, in spite of efforts to put government back on its feet financially, the payroll continues at unprecedented non-war levels.

If we are to carry out the Marshall plan the way it should be carried out, if we are to achieve economic stability at home, if we are to build an adequate protective military force, we must first put government on a business-like basis.

Additional taxes are not the answer. There is sufficient money, if properly handled, to not only offset our government efficiently at home, but to meet our responsibilities abroad.

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 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, 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

Cambridge and Grand River

Rev. E. 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 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.

STARK GOSPEL MISSION

3935 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 from 2:30 to 4:30.

Pastor: Rev. Orville J. Windell.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH

M. J. Remeln, Pastor

Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock. Special music and

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

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Douglas Toepel, 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.

Rev. E. C. Gordon, guest supply pastor during the month of July, will bring the message, "God's Guests". Lee Taggart, soloist.

Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.

Music meetings at 6:30 p.m.

Evening service at 7:30 p.m. Special music by Lee Taggart. Rev. Gordon's message will be, "For Mine Own Sake".

Wednesday, Midweek Services 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. Stuenkel, Pastor

Divine services at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. every Sunday.

Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., during the early service.

Lutheran Hour broadcast over OKW every Sunday noon at 12:30.

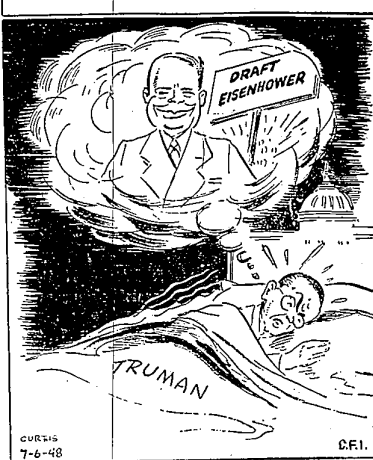
"O day of light and life and grace, From earthly toil sweet resting place."

Thy hallowed hours, blest gift of love,

Give us again to God above."

We cordially invite you and yours to worship here Sunday.

HARRY'S NIGHTMARE?



Washington Digest

One Diplomat Knew Better: Scratch One Tyro Diplomat

By BAUKHAGE
 News Analyst and Commentator

WASHINGTON. — Back in the partially deserted capital after our last before another political convention in these days when Washington's tiger heat drives those who are not too driven otherwise out to the mountains and beaches, I took a short ride with a friendly official who, like most of the press and radio, has to stick out a good share of the summer in the city.

We passed one of the last few fine old residences and a number of embassies and legations. Shuttered windows, faded paint, orange-red paint was smeared in a pattern I never have been able to understand on iron work of high picket-fences and window bars. Some windows were boarded up.

"It hadn't been for you," I requested to my companion sitting beside me in what he alludes to as "the taxpayer's limousine." I might not have been in Washington this summer. I might have been looking at a mountain-lakescape elsewhere.

"How so?" he inquired. "Don't you recall," I asked, "that you were a newspaperman your self once and, curiously speaking, met a lot of interesting people? I was one of them. That meeting killed what I thought then was to be a brilliant diplomatic career."

The story began right across the street from the office I now occupy on Eighteenth street, in a fine old brick house which I saw first in the year 1914. The carriage drive in front of it is blocked now by the curbing, probably because the traffic officials thought no automobile

could safely make the turn which a "spanking pair" negotiated so easily three decades ago.

A sign on the lamp-post in front of the house says "no parking at any time." A brass plate over one of the windows, still barred with the gracefully-curving ironwork of another century says: "Columbus University." The plate it replaced used to say "Former home of Secretary of State Lansing."

In 1914 it was some two hours after leaving that red brick house that I began "putting off"—(putting things off is a great art and one that has reached a high point of refinement in Washington. I always have practiced it.) If I hadn't put off then, I might have been a diplomat. As it was, all I got was deadlines the rest of my life.

It happened this way. I had just returned from an extended period in Europe where I had been going through the motions of acquiring an education. In the process I acquired the ambition to become a member of the foreign service of the state department. I planned to rise, by easy stages, on more months of course, to the position of ambassador to the Court of St. James. By now, that, as a cabinet officer says following the change in administration, I had no plans.

I did have four out of five necessary qualifications which I knew from experience on the Quai d'Orsay and elsewhere assured a successful diplomatic career. The four which I possessed were a top-hat, a tail-coat, striped pants and a pair of spats.

The fifth I was confident I could soon acquire easily since I had an excellent letter to the father-in-law of the secretary of state, who had been a secretary of state himself and an important pillar of Washington society. I was sure that under such auspices I could acquire that sine qua non—a wife rich enough to keep a diplomat in the style to which he is supposed to be accustomed.

I recall that afternoon very well. I rang the bell to that door—well, it was a different door of course—there are four there now with brass handles worn shiny by ambitious Columbians—but at least the door which that afternoon was to be my portal to a brilliant career was right there in the same frame.

It opened. I handed the silk hat and checked my stick to the servant and in a few moments I was being warmly greeted by a gentleman wearing what Sam Blythe once called the most diplomatic whiskers.

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By GENE ALLEMAN

"Gene" Black, Michigan's scappling attorney general, has become the "Peck's bad boy" of the Kim Sigler administration.

The man whom Sigler once insisted was a "must" for his cabinet is now his No. 1 prickly thorn. Because the Michigan delegation at the Republican national convention stuck on Vandenberg in the severe ballot, hoping to elevate Michigan's national statesman from the United States Senate to the White House, Black is now assailing Sigler for Michigan's "most distasteful political position."

Black says he has been a Dewey hooster for years. Recently he sounded a call for a "new and resolute Republican candidate for Governor to replace Attorney Sigler."

The Port Huron governor, who commutes daily between the state capital and his home in Port Huron, has not indicated whom he would favor for Republican leadership. Lieutenant Governor Eugene C. Keyes, in the meanwhile, is circulating petitions for both governor and lieutenant governor. He says he won't make up his mind until the July 21 deadline for nominating petitions.

State Treasurer D. Hale Brake of Stanton is unhappy over the Philadelphia outcome. He also differed recently with Governor Sigler over the proposed constitutional reforms. Asked about his intentions of running for governor, Brake told a Lansing newspaper reporter: "I have no intention of running. But I wouldn't tie myself up with any flat prediction about being, or not being, a candidate for any office at this time."

To all these rumors Governor Sigler is unresponsive. "The people elect the lieutenant governor," he said, following his return from Philadelphia. "If they elect Keyes I'll try to get along with him as well as any human being."

"My big problem is that a part of the Administrative board wants to be governor and use every means to advance their own political ambitions. In the process I acquired the ambition to become a member of the foreign service of the state department. I planned to rise, by easy stages, on more months of course, to the position of ambassador to the Court of St. James. By now, that, as a cabinet officer says following the change in administration, I had no plans."

One thing is sure: "Gene" Black doesn't give a whoop what happens to him politically. He finds life at the state capital very distasteful. Following the 1946 election, he sought to get an expense account for room and board at Lansing, maintaining that such was due him under an ancient statute. When Auditor General Muriel Ault refused to honor the claim, he promptly began the daily trek via state-owned automobile from Port Huron and back.

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (July 6, 1923)

The American Legion Children's Bilet

The home life at the American Legion Children's bilet is as near that as it is possible to make it, says Frederick A. Perry, director of boys' work. Of course, in a large family there are always duties to be performed and lessons to be learned, as well as pleasures to be enjoyed. And that is true in the American Legion family, also. The institutional features are eliminated insofar as possible, and yet some general rules have to be observed. The children arise in the morning and retire at night at a fixed time, and meals, rest and recreation are also carried out on a general schedule, without being so rigid as to be uncomfortable, or to require the thought of discipline, to be constantly in the minds of the children.

TEN YEARS AGO (July 7, 1938)

State Lists Three WPA Jobs Here

Among the WPA projects reported to Representative George A. Dondero as approved recently by the Works Progress Administration are three for the Farmington area. An allotment of \$3,706 will be made, the report states, to improve the Grand School and High School in the City of Farmington. Supervisor Emory Hutton states that the project calls for painting of class rooms and halls. For the removal and construction of the water main on Grand River Road, and incidental work, \$2,352 will be allotted. This construction is scheduled to be made on Grand River Road east of Power Avenue. The third project listed calls for an allotment of \$11,716 "to construct combined sanitary and storm sewers throughout the city and perform incidental work."

FIVE YEARS AGO (July 8, 1943)

Honor Roll Dedication Set For Sunday Afternoon

Arrangements have been completed for the dedication of the Honor Roll on Sunday afternoon. The dedication ceremony will be held, beginning at two o'clock, on the Town Hall lawn. City employees have already put the posts up. The Honor Roll is being installed on the lawn, right at the corner of Farmington Road and Grand River. It has been sponsored by the Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion, as a gift to the City and Township of Farmington. At the dedication exercises Fred Bagnall, mayor pro tem, will accept the roll in behalf of the City. Invitations have been mailed to parents, asking that they attend the dedication exercises on Sunday afternoon. A fitting program has been arranged and everyone is cordially invited.

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