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EDITORIALS

There Comes A Time . . .

along life's way when we must say "So long for a while" to old friends. We can't always reason why, it just seems to be the way things are patterned. Farmington has once again bid "So Long" to a real friend. Howard C. Knickerbocker was a friend to Farmington and to the people who make up this community of ours. His friendly smile, his welcome hand, his willingness to help in every community effort, made you proud to know him.

He believed in the future and set other men to believing in it. He believed in Farmington and worked tirelessly to speed its progress. When he was asked to help, he helped. When he was asked to give, he gave, and it was always with a smile and an encouraging word.

To those who knew him, who worked with him, words are useless. They could be piled up one on top of the other until they reached far beyond our sight, but they would only be words. It is the encouragement, the friendliness, the spirit of cooperation that he inspired in others that really counts, not words. He left it in men's hearts where it will never be forgotten.

He will be missed by Farmington, but he will not be forgotten because he has fulfilled an ambition most of us only hope in part to achieve—making better men — making a better community.

Explosions Are Coming . . .

in the Congress of the United States. Explosions of human feelings and beliefs.

Only a few could look out on the battle lines and see no battle. Those few saw the building up of an explosion, but didn't think, somehow, that it would go off. They just saw one side charging through with ease.

But the explosion built up around the Taft-Hartley Law has come off as most people thought it would, regardless of the outcome of the November election. It hasn't been the push-over that some had thought it might be. A bitter fight is now going on and the outcome is far from certain.

Unfortunately personality clashes have stepped into the fight to confuse and involve the issues of the act. One thing is quite certain now, the name may be changed, but most of the important provisions of the act will probably stay. Every indication points to a heated, long, draw-out battle that will see many explosions on the floors of Congress.

The vast majority of the people demanded some type of labor legislation before the birth of the Taft-Hartley Act. It was not solely the brain storm of a few senators and representatives. Many saw in the results of the November election a change of mind by the majority of the people. This may or may not be true, no one can tell for sure.

However, it is obvious that the great majority of the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act, taken one by one, are not objectionable to even labor. It is also a recognized fact that the nation needs labor legislation the same as it needs legislation on business and industry. To have one without the other would slow our forward progress. Not only that it would by public reaction bring about the elimination of one or the other. This in itself would have a paralyzing effect on our way of life.

Whether it is finally called the Taft-Hartley Act or what, it is becoming more and more obvious that some type of control on labor will remain after the explosions have ended and the dust has settled.

We Eat Again . . .

is the beaming good news flowing from the state capitol dome this week. File the plates high, mother, I am coming home with a raise. One senator might add the P.S. "drop the welfare relief, too, while you're at it."

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. Special music and speakers.
 Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
 "The Friendly Church"
 Rev. Fred S. Fisher, Pastor
 Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Message by Rev. George Riday, Director of Christian and Youth Work for the Detroit Baptist Missionary Society.
 Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Youth meetings at 6:30 p.m. Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Service to be conducted by the Senior Young People of the Church.
 Monday, Brownie Troop 13 at 3:15 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7 p.m.
 Tuesday, Girl Scout Troop 7 after school.
 Wednesday, Third Quarterly business meeting of the church at 8 p.m.
 Thursday, Annual Father-and-Son Banquet at 7 p.m.
 Friday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, Pastor
 Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30.
 Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:00
 Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
 23701 Cass Avenue
 Farmington
 11:00 a.m. Morning Services and Sunday School.
 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial Meeting.
 Rev. Robert H. Hays, Treasurer and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME

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.
 Nursery School for children over three. Everyone welcome.

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

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

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
 J. Scott Greer, Minister
 11th Street, 9:45 a.m.
 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.

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, all grades.
 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship.
 11:15 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 the River
 Farmington, Michigan
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor
 Wilma A. Hood, Director of Music and Religious Education
 10:00 a.m. large, enthusiastic Sunday School.
 11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship.
 7:30 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.

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

HIBERNATION OVER?

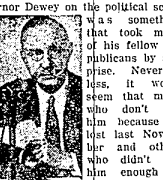


Washington Digest

By SAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator

Politicians Settling Down To Practical Things Again

WASHINGTON. — With the mighty fanfare of the Democrats on inauguration day, and even the brave words of the Republicans on Lincoln Day less than a whisper out of the past, the practical politicians on both sides of the aisle in the house and senate are hard at their practical politicking.



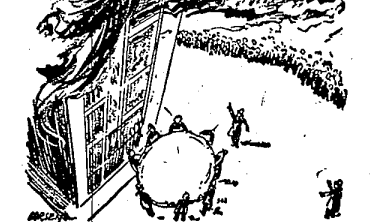
The sudden re-entrance of Governor Dewey on the political scene of a concentrated attack over the repeal of the Taft-Hartley bill, and the way the atmosphere feels at this writing, Republican senators are offering the nearest thing to a filibuster that can be offered without actually being labelled one.

April is contract day for a good many unions and the race is to get the Taft-Hartley act off the books before then. If the Republicans can keep on amending and arguing past that date, it will be a distinct, if only temporary, victory for them.

But one Harry Truman did a lot of work, all by himself. When the A. F. of L. and CIO heads came down to Washington early in January laying their demands on the line they were somewhat annoyed to find a number of top Democratic politicians, grateful and gracious, but also just a little cool.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church
 Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)
 Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar
 9:30 a.m. Church School
 11:00 a.m. Morning prayer, first Sunday, Holy Communion.
 11:00 a.m. Kindergarten.
 Visitors welcome.

Grace Lutheran Church
 25600 Grand River Avenue
 Corner of Imperial Hwy.
 Victor F. Haliboth, Pastor
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Divine Worship, 10:45 a.m.
 Saturday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Everyone welcome.



MICHIGAN MIRROR



By GENE ALLEMAN (Continued on Page Five)

LANISING — Tax chickens may come home to roost in Michigan big cities.
 Such is the prospect of the outcome of the sales tax diversion amendment, sponsored by big-town mayors and school teachers. If the legislature approves Governor Williams' new tax program. Here is the picture:
 The sales tax amendment raised the state treasury to the tune of 78 cents out of each sales tax dollar. It created the inevitability of a \$61,000,000 treasury deficit for the state's fiscal year ending June 30, 1950.

Governor Kim Sigler's solution was to repeal the sales tax diversion amendment. He offered no immediate substitute for needed revenue, pointing out that the state's tax system badly needed overhauling and that such could be accomplished through a constitutional convention. Last November 2 the voters reaffirmed support of the sales tax amendment and at the same time voted to call a constitutional convention.

Williams' opponent, G. Mennen Williams, favored the sales tax amendment which he said was vital for inflation financing of public schools. And when Williams became the beneficiary of several hundred thousand "protest" votes cast by Republican-ticket supporters, the top question at Lansing became this:

What would Governor Williams do about the looming deficit? His first message to the legislature indicated sympathy with social objectives and a willingness to impose new taxes to finance spending. Later the governor made it clear that curtailment of services could not be done without inflicting hardship on the mentally ill, and aged and other citizens already pressed financially to make ends meet.

The final question was narrowed down to what kind of new taxes would the governor advocate — an income tax, consumer nuisance taxes, real estate tax or one or more other money-raising levies?
 Governor Williams' remedy, as submitted to the legislature last week, would be to tax corporation profits. A 4 per cent levy on net income, prior to federal taxes, would yield about \$67,000,000. And since the estimated deficit was \$61,000,000 the profit tax on corporations would leave a possible \$6,000,000 in new revenues to offset a proposed \$9,000,000 hike in social benefits. Industry and business, as represented by corporations, would thus foot the bill to avert a deficit and to help finance a better life for low-income workers.

Governor Williams insists that the tax on profits "would actually be a tax on profits" would actually be a tax on profits.

If Your Job Requires Mental Alertness (And What Job Doesn't)

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (February 8, 1924)

Service Expanded
 New electric service for the North Farmington area was put into use this week by the Detroit Edison Company on completion of a new line servicing that area. Additional lines are also to be erected, and the bids for the work have already been let.

Lincoln Banquet
 Oakland County Republicans will meet this week for their annual Lincoln Day Banquet at the First Methodist Church in Pontiac. The meeting marks the 35th annual observance of the Emancipator's birthday to be held by the county organization.

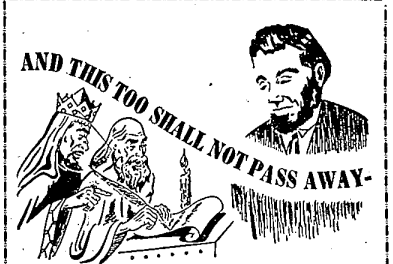
TEN YEARS AGO (February 9, 1939)
 Water Plan
 Self liquidating revenue bonds issued upon resolution of the township board as a lien on the revenue provided by a water system was approved this week as the answer to Farmington's long-standing search for an adequate water supply system.

School Bond Refunded
 Advertising bids for a \$52,000 bond issue by School District 5, calling for a lower rate of interest, have been issued to retire the 1935 issue. The refunding will save money for the taxpayers. It is believed, and the new bonds will call for a longer period of time before liquidation.

FIVE YEARS AGO (February 10, 1944)
 Scout Birthday
 Local Scouts were this week observing the 34th birthday anniversary of the beginning of their organization with appropriate ceremonies and meetings. Demonstrations of scouting progress and crafts open to friends and parents, are planned for several locations and times.

March of Dimes
 Farmington residents made their largest donation of all time to the annual March of Dimes this year. It was reported by Richard F. Taylor, local chairman. The collection to aid the victims of polio totaled \$199.58 in this city.

amount to a reduction" for many corporations. "Except for a few gigantic corporations, of \$20 million or more net worth, a corporation would have to make 6 1/2 per cent income on net worth, to pay



AND THIS TOO SHALL NOT PASS AWAY
 Abraham Lincoln once told the story of a Far Eastern wise man who was charged by his ruler with inventing a phrase that would under all circumstances remain true.
 "And this, too, shall pass away" — wrote the wise man.
 On this, the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth — it is for all Americans to dedicate themselves that our democracy does not pass away, but forever flourishes.

THIS BANK WILL BE CLOSED FEBRUARY 12 IN OBSERVANCE OF LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY
THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK
 Farmington, Michigan
 MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION