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## EDITORIALS

### Action Speaks . . .

louder — and cooperative, downright workin' together action speaks louder than that.

The spirit of cooperation that prevailed between the community-minded citizens and the Township Board last week was highly commendable. The Board acted promptly and efficiently on the petitions asking for a health ordinance. The citizens present clearly outlined their objectives and goals.

It was an excellent demonstration of community interest and community responsibility. No one, we believe, can dispute the importance of proper health and sanitation in Farmington Township or anywhere else for that matter. It is vital to the well being of every resident now and in the future.

But it is particularly important that the citizens of the community initiate the question and that the Township Board respond to the call. This is real democracy in action. It is the kind of action that encourages progress, community participation and results in a better place in which to live.

This is not an effort to restrict, to hold down, it is an effort to improve the living conditions of all the people. It is insurance against possible disease and sickness. It is compliance with recognized health practices now existent in progressive communities.

By continuing to work together in close harmony, the government will become even more a reflection of the people — and both will become stronger, more progressive, more useful.

### The Glorious 4th . . .

is almost here, and a big summer week-end for all the family to enjoy.

There will be some "how", who will never live to see the 6th. Others will live to see it but from a hospital bed. It will happen unless a miracle takes place. A miracle on our highways, at our beaches and even right here at home.

Only you and your neighbors can make this miracle come true. You can do it by remembering to drive carefully and not to take chances. You can do it by remembering the laws of the highway and obeying them, by keeping your speed down, by watching the other fellow.

The highway will be jammed with traffic. Americans out for some fun and relaxation. Let's help to keep it that way. Remember that in a matter of seconds a happy outing can turn into sorrow and death. In a second, an overturned boat can spell out another drowning. In a second, two cars can twist into a pile of steel and bodies.

No, it's not nice to think about. But it is happening and will continue to happen, until we all remember to think about it before, not after. The useless slaughter must stop. And you and everyone who drives must help.

Let's make this a glorious 4th, one that we will remember on the 5th.

### It's Illegal . . .

to transport, possess or set-off firecrackers in Michigan, except in special cases, yet they are popping all over the place.

We don't know where they came from, but they ought to be back there. It isn't so much the idea of firecrackers or the racket, as it is the fact that people seem to delight in breaking the law, and in encouraging others to break it.

People seem to forget that there was a reason for establishing such a law and a good reason. It wasn't to throw a damper on the fun, it was to cut down the loss of fingers, eyes and even lives. It wasn't too many years ago that every 4th had its firecracker casualties. Laws are to protect. Yet some think they are just to be broken.

The attitude, "Let him blow his finger off if he is foolish enough to," doesn't solve the problem. It's the law, and small or big, it deserves respect. It's "smart" to obey the law, not to see how many times you can get by, breaking it.

## Churches

**NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 W. J. Remick, Pastor  
 Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock.  
 Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

**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 KCLW.

**FIRST METHODIST**  
 Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister  
 Beginning next Sunday, and continuing throughout July and August, the services at First Methodist Church will begin one hour earlier — 10:15 a.m. The Sunday School and Nursery will be held in the downstairs rooms at the same hour.  
 Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., Sunday.  
 Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 2560 Grand River at the Corner of Imperial Hwy.  
 Victor F. Halbroth, Pastor  
 Early Service, 8:45 a.m.  
 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
 Late Service, 11 a.m.

**ORCHARD METHODIST MISSION**  
 Thirteen Mile Road at Greening  
 10:30 a.m. Morning service for everysunday.  
 6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship. Nursery for small children.

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

**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Cambridge and Grand River Farmington, Michigan  
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor  
 Wilma Hood, Director of Music and Religious Education  
 10:00 a.m. Large, enthusiastic Sunday School.  
 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship.  
 6:30 p.m. Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship.

7:30 p.m. Evening Service.  
 8:15 p.m. every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
 22701 Cass Avenue — Farmington  
 11:00 a.m., Morning Services  
 Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.  
 8:00 p.m., Wednesday Evening Testimonial Meeting.  
 Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.  
 "God" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the week on Sunday, July 2.  
 The Golden Text (Psalms 91:2) is: "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress; my God; in him will I trust."

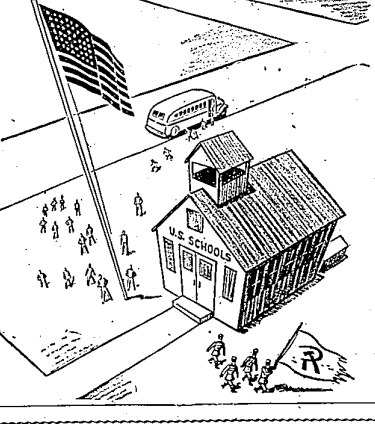
**FIRST BAPTIST**  
 "The Friendly Church"  
 Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor  
 Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Communion, with Communion Meditations by the Pastor.  
 Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.  
 Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.  
 Evening Services at 7:30 p.m. Special music by the Youth Choir.  
 Theme: "Peter and the Keys."  
 Wednesday, Midweek services at 8 p.m.  
 Friday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

**SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
 "The Church on the Park"  
 Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor  
 Mr. A. Bolten, Music Dir. & Organist  
 Mr. C. G. Gilmeister, Bd. Pres.  
 Mr. E. B. Tyler, Dir. of Rel. Ed.  
 A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.  
 Church School, 11:15 a.m.  
 Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.  
 Aim and Purpose of Salem Church  
 Help seeking people, through beautiful services, come close to God and to human comrades in worship.  
 Help seeking people learn the truths by which they may live brave, happy and useful lives.  
 Help seeking people gain strength by which they may become that which they have learned they ought to be.  
 Help seeking people find comfort in sorrow, courage in struggle, joy in victory.  
 Help seeking people come into union with Christ, their Master and Friend.  
 This, being our aim and purpose, we invite you to "Come and See."  
 "Go to the Church of your choice, but go to Church."

**OUR LADY OF BOROVS**  
 Rev. Thomas F. Beahan, Pastor  
 Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30.  
 Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:30 and 9:00.  
 Daily Masses: 6:00 and 8:00.

## There's Only Room for One Flag



### Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

**MARSHALL PLAN**  
 When Washington dignitaries gathered at dinner to commemorate the Marshall plan probably only one man present really knew how the Marshall plan got started. President Truman. And not even Truman knew or remembered all the details.

**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.

**LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Rev. Douglas Toepel, Pastor  
 West Seven Mile Road  
 Just East of Farmington Road  
 10:00 a.m. — Morning Worship and Sunday School held at the same hour.  
 Nursery School for children over three. Everyone welcome.

**ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
 Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)  
 Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar  
 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 10:00 a.m. Morning prayer. First Sunday, Holy Communion.  
 Classes for small children during the service.

### BIBLE COMMENT FOR JULY 3

#### Book of Psalms Gives the World Religion in Poetry

**DURING** coming weeks many Sunday Schools will be studying lessons in the Biblical Book of Psalms. The comment in these columns is directed to many readers not in Sunday Schools, but interested in religion and the study of the Bible.

The Book of Psalms must be studied as a whole, if one would grasp their nature and significance in the faith, worship, and life of ancient Israel, and their place and effect in relation to religious life in general.

Here, one reads the Psalms as a whole can one grasp the depth and immensity of their exploitation of every mood and emotion of which the human soul is capable, and their reaction to every experience that mankind has known.

Here are souls in the very heights of exultation and religious ecstasy, dwelling on the mountains, with the clear view of God, and the full inspiration of His presence. But here are souls, also, crying out of the depths of despair, awaiting light in the darkness of darkness, and realism in the face of suffering, and persecution, and the designs and hatred of enemies. And above all realism in the face of change and decay, and the grimness of death itself.

Here, too, is the voice of friendship and fellowship, the pilgrim songs of those who through life are surmaying and worshipping together.

There is nothing left out in the whole range of human emotions, doubts, fears, inspiration and ecstasies—all of life's experiences from the cradle to the grave are there.

From the opening Psalm I, recounting the blessedness of the man "that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly," his delight is in the law of the Lord," to the closing 150th Psalm with its typical song of praise the Psalms move in the rich area of nature and human nature.

And each of us may have as his, or her, book of devotions.

## MICHIGAN MIRROR



### INTERPRETING THE NEWS

By GENE ALLEMAN

During our leisure-time travel on Michigan state highways this summer, don't be surprised if you encounter miles of worn-out roads.

In fact, be surprised if you don't! The state 3-cent gasoline tax and other revenue sources afford about 36 million dollars in road money for the fiscal year ending this June 30. That seems like a lot of money, but it really isn't so much, as Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler readily proves.

"From this amount, \$208,000 are required for general administration, 5 million dollars for engineering and supervision, 14 million dollars for highway and bridge maintenance and operation, and another \$500,000 for operating loss of state ferries at the Straits of Mackinac, says Commissioner Ziegler.

"This leaves a balance of only \$15,750,000 of state funds for highway and bridge new construction and reconstruction, as well as to meet unforeseen emergencies not in our program such as the immediate replacement of three bridges which collapsed this year.

"The legislature has approved a budget item of \$250,000 to start construction of a double-ended icebreaker ferry needed to handle adequately the increased traffic volume across the Straits of Mackinac, both winter and summer. Money spent on construction of ferries must also come out of the funds available for highway construction."

Lack of finances do not permit the state highway department to carry out normal operations of its trunkline system of 9,400 miles. "We should be spending 25 million dollars each year in order to take care of depreciation only," said Ziegler. "We still have about 160 million dollars of highway deficiencies today. Finances have not been adequate."

"From 1942 through 1945 regular highway construction was impossible because of war restrictions, but depreciation was stepped up by unprecedented traffic emergencies. Government statistics show that 73 per cent of all war production transportation in Michigan moved over Michigan highways."

"In 1946, immediately after the war, we expected to get our post-war construction programs under way. We could not do so because of the impossibility of getting cement, steel, new equipment and other materials. Therefore, we had four years of war, plus 1946, or five years when there was no new normal highway construction."

"Cost of Michigan Highway work has risen steadily from 1941 through the war-years to 1949. Today our highway costs are 110 per cent above the costs of 1941. Dollar today purchases less than one-half what it did in 1941.

"Two lane 22-foot pavements, which carried traffic satisfactorily in 1941, are inadequate to handle properly and safely the greatly increased volume. In 1941 we were

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (June 27, 1924) Centennial Success

Deeded in gaily day attire, Farmington celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of its founding on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week. The first day was given over to the welcoming of former residents of this vicinity with a reception and gathering at the town hall. It was an informal affair and there many old acquaintances were renewed, yarns, and stories told of former days by those who had in early life called Farmington home. Addresses were made by Harry McCracken and Rev. Sidney D. Ewa.

**CLASS OF '24 GRADUATES**  
 The commencement exercises of the graduating class of 1924 took place Thursday evening, June 19, in the M.E. community hall. There were 21 seniors to graduate, seven boys and 14 girls. Rev. J. H. Bollens gave the invocation and was followed by a solo by Mr. Percy Pauline. The speaker of the evening was Dr. M. S. Pittman of Ypsilanti Normal College.

**TEN YEARS AGO (June, 1939)**  
**Find Fund Misuse**  
 A striking illustration of indifference on the part of citizens, coupled with a lax attitude toward observance of various laws enacted to safeguard public funds, may result in misuse of public moneys with great loss to the taxpayers, as afforded by a report this week of Municipal Judge John J. Schulte, of Farmington, on his recently-completed one-man grand jury investigation of affairs in the Village of Holly, instituted on petition of Prosecutor Charles L. Wilson. Disposition of a cemetery fund so that it shrunk from \$16,000 to less than \$5000 in 10 years, shortages in the water department funds, and other instances of misfeasance in office are recited, together with an exhaustive report on the losses suffered in the building of a water system.

**Passes Code**  
 New homes or buildings in Farmington started after July 17 will come under the regulation of the building code and zoning code passed at a meeting of the Farmington city commission Monday evening.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (June 25, 1944)**  
**Schools Accredited**  
 The Farmington Public Schools are in receipt of a letter from the Secretary of the University Committee on Relations with Secondary Schools. The letter states the school will be accredited for three years. The inspecting member of the committee, Edgar G. Johnston, reported great satisfaction with progress made at the school.

building these normal two-lane pavements, including preliminary grading and drainage structures, will cost from 40 to 50 thousand dollars per mile. A mile of the same width of concrete pavement today, increased some in thickness and more heavily reinforced to stand the heavier industrial traffic, is costing about 100 thousand dollars per mile.

"Ordinarily divided highways with a two-lane pavement in both directions cost about 200 thousand dollars or more per mile in a rural section. Because of the number of railroad and street grade separations and the high cost of necessary right-of-way in Detroit, the 10 1/2 mile section of the Ford and Lodge expressways we are now working on costs around 6 1/2 million dollars per mile. The state must pay \$2 to match \$1 of federal aid for right-of-way purchases."

"If all state roads are not ideal, just remember this: Better roads and higher taxes go hand in hand. Blocks of salt are the favorite form of currency among the Bertal tribe of Western Asia, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Temperatures which kill living cells are often only a few degrees above those at which they are accustomed to living.

## ICE CREAM EVERYBODY'S FAVORITE



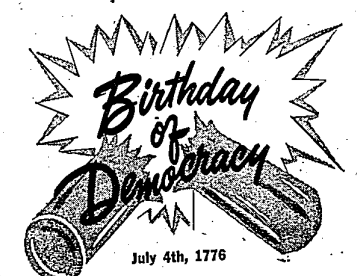
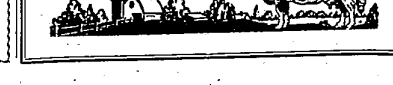
Yum! Yum! FARMINGTON DAIRY ICE CREAM — what a wonderful treat. Smooth, creamy rich ice cream in your favorite flavor. What could be better these warm summer days? Try some today at our dairy bar or take some home for dessert or an evening snack.

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 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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**Birthday of Democracy**  
 July 4th, 1776

1776—Born amid the cannon roar and fiery trail of rockets—the result was Washington's tattered, ragged army of inspired men.

1776—Young and vigorous, sometimes clumsy, this nation grew, became strong because her people believed in her.

1776 is more than a date in our history. It is the things we have done and will do in the future. On this 4th day of July, we celebrate the past sacrifices with confidence in the future, that liberty will endure and one day, burst forth for men everywhere.

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