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EDITORIALS

Red Tape . . .

is usually ten times tougher than baling wire, and you can't cut it with a simple snip of a pair of pliers.

The City of Farmington is again finding red tape an almost impassable barrier to get through or around. For longer than most of us want to remember it was a traffic light at Grand River Cut-Off and Farmington Road. Now it is road markings on Grand River at Nine Mile Road. Farmington finally got the traffic light on the Cut-Off and it has virtually eliminated an extremely hazardous situation.

Confusion as to the location of the intersection of Nine Mile Road on the North and Grand River is equally as hazardous. The State Highway Department has promised on numerous occasions to survey this situation — that was months ago, still no action. Most people recognize that the Highway Department is very busy and that they are also without sufficient funds. But they have nonetheless a service to perform, and when commitments are made they should be carried out in fairness to the public.

Increased traffic on Nine Mile and accelerated building at this intersection makes it important that necessary identification and directional markers be installed so that Nine Mile Road may be easily identified both during the day and at night. Confusion means unnecessary accidents.

And somehow red tape just doesn't seem to satisfy the question "Why" after an accident has happened.

From The Pot Bellied Stove . . .

to the mirror-finish desks in Washington the H-Bomb is the new topic of discussion.

Before many months have passed, millions of words will be spoken and written on this fantastic creation of destruction. The vast majority of Americans will never know its formula or understand its scientific functioning. But almost everyone will have his opinion of its importance in world affairs.

The shock of its existence is still with us. Most of us are numb from the description of what it can do towards destruction of mankind. It is hard to conceive what might happen if it was cut loose on the world. At no time in the history of mankind has so much caution and responsibility been heaped on the shoulders of a nation — our nation. Yes us — you and I and every other American.

Production of the H-Bomb is intended to make a world think. It is a notice in blazing fire, in charred ash, that man can, in almost any instant, destroy his neighbors, himself and all that he and his forefathers labored to build. The notice is in our hands. The question is, will the world think or will it go to pieces in a crushing rush of fear? Will the H-Bomb, with its terrible destructive power, temper the world or will it stampeed us into oblivion?

The decision to produce the H-Bomb is a forced decision, one of necessity brought on by irresponsible aggression. It is almost certain that it never would have been created except for this threat. It is the sincere hope of all Americans that it will serve as a weapon towards peace, not a weapon of fear or domination but of respect and understanding. Not a weapon that will start the race toward annihilation, because if we can conceive it others can, too, but a realization that men, all men, can either live together or destroy the world.

Here is a challenge, greater than any in the history of mankind. Will the world think? Will Russia or any other aggressor see the road ahead? Will man realize now that he has harnessed a power so great that it can destroy everything, good or evil? Will he now realize that life, be it democratic, communistic, or anything else, is dependent upon faith and human understanding? He must — because man now holds an instrument in his hands that can make any dream a nightmare, and any life charred death.

Churches

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
M. J. Remelin, Pastor

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

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Nursery School. Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. choir rehearsal at the church.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2860 Grand River Avenue
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 everyone. 8:30 p.m., Youth Fellowship. Nursery for small children.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor

Sunday School at 10 a.m. Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

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

Willna A. Hood, Director of Music and Religious Education.

10:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic Sunday School. 11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m., the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship, the Evening Service. 7:45 p.m., every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

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

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Midweek Services at 8:00 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. Bolin, Mus. Dir. & Organist. Mr. G. C. Gildemeister, 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.

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 (first years and up). 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Third Sunday Holy Communion). 11:00 a.m. Kindergarten (3 to 5 years). 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Cadman Prout, Pastor
West Seven Mile Road
Just East of Farmington Road

10:30 a.m., Morning Worship and Sunday School held at the same place. Nursery School for children over three. Everyone welcome.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Greer, Minister

Bible Study at 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.

Lincoln Lesson for Today



Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

RAYBURN HONORED
President Truman attended a private birthday luncheon for speaker Sam Rayburn recently at which he presented Sam with a new hat. "Sam is the only man I know," commented the President, "who could stay in Washington over 40 years and still wear the same size hat but he wore when he came here. He doesn't know what kind of hat this is," Truman continued, "but I'll show you how to fix it!" Showing he hadn't lost his touch as a haberdasher, Truman flipped the hat into shape and planted it ceremoniously on Rayburn's head.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
2370 Cass Avenue
Farmington

11:00 a.m., Morning Services and Sunday School. 8:00 p.m., Wednesday Evening, Testimonial Meeting. 7:00 p.m., Christian Science Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. "Soul" will be the subject of the Lenten Sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, February 12.

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.

BIBLE COMMENT
FOR FEB. 12

Christians Spread Good News Of the Gospel

CHRISTIANITY in conception and action has been from the beginning a missionary religion. It is dynamic, not static. Its law of love and righteousness is a law of growth. Individual Christians are commended "to go forth and bear witness of the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ" (1st Peter 3:18).

A Christian grew in grace inevitably the impulse and purpose came to make the gospel of grace known to others. A religion that never grows is not the religion that Jesus brought to men. His commission to His disciples was to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. They were true disciples who were first called Christians in Antioch; not mere professors, but possessors of the Christian faith inspired by its love and conviction.

Among them was Barnabas, the noble, well-to-do Christian, who sold his possessions, that is his worldly possessions, and gave all for the common cause. And among them, also, was the new convert Paul. Some disciples, knowing Paul's record as a persecutor, were fearful lest his proposed conversion be a pretense, but Barnabas believed in him, and sought him out, and brought him to Antioch (Acts 11:23, 26).

Here they were together for a year, in the fellowship of a growing church, in an evident ecstasy of Christian grace.

The movement that sent Paul and Barnabas upon the first missionary journey westward, the beginning of the course of the gospel toward Europe, and toward continents not then discovered, was not, therefore, a hastily formed plan. It was the well-considered, conscious, intelligent, Christian purpose, springing directly from the power of the new experience, and expressed exactly what Jesus had designed.

MICHIGAN MIRROR



By GENE ALLEMAN

Michigan's state government received \$506.4 million in its various operating funds in 1949-50 to finance the various programs which the state undertakes, according to a study just completed by the Bureau of Governmental Research, Detroit.

Such receipts were 67 per cent greater than those the state received in 1945-46.

Seventy-seven per cent of the state's revenues this past fiscal year came from taxes — such as sales tax, cigarette tax, corporation tax, gasoline tax, weight tax, intangibles tax and many others.

Revenue from state enterprises, regulatory services, patents and copyrights and miscellaneous sources accounted for 14 per cent of the total.

The remaining 14 per cent came from Washington in the form of "grants-in-aid" to help finance those programs which Congress has decided at one time or another that the state or local units should undertake.

With the exception of the charges that the state makes for certain services — direct or indirect — levied upon all of us as individuals, consumers or businessmen. In most instances the tax money goes to Lansing.

But \$73.1 million comes to Lansing via Washington. That money, nevertheless, is from the pockets of Michigan taxpayers.

Michigan state government paid to its local units of government 61.2 per cent of its total revenues in 1948-49. Most of this "aid" came raised by statewide taxes. But a portion of such aid was funneled direct from Lansing to Washington.

During the past four years well over one-half of the state's revenues are distributed back to local units.

Local units of government — cities, villages, townships, school districts, counties and other special districts — and many citizens sometimes forget that this money which is "given" them by the state comes from only one source — TAXES.

TAXES regardless of what government collects them or which one in the final analysis receives them to expend are paid by all of us who receive an income.

Every dollar spent by government is a dollar the citizen does not have to spend for himself at his own choice.

Nearly 500 years ago pepper was as precious as jewels in Europe and while searching for a shorter route to India, the source of supply, the "New World" was found. Today, following a war which destroyed pepper plantations in the South Sea Islands, pepper is again very precious. Wholesale before the war it was around seven cents a pound and now it is \$1.55. Pepper plants have to grow for seven years before harvest. Mildred Jones, MSC home economist, reports.

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

Forty Years Ago (February 11, 1910) Alrships To Race

The Michigan State Fair has arranged an airship race between Ray Knabenshue and Lincoln Beachey, another famous aviator. The contest between Mr. Knabenshue and Mr. Beachey will start side by side from a given point and rush to the eastward, passing over the grandstands a large tree two miles away, on top of which will be erected a large flag. Then the ships will return to the starting point.

Ten Years Ago (February 8, 1940) Destroys Home

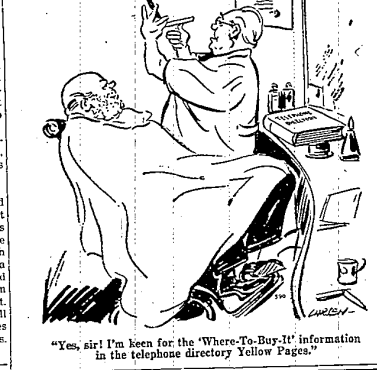
Mrs. Theodore Hipp is reported improving satisfactorily in Pontiac General Hospital from second degree burns received Friday when the Hipp home at 21650 Jefferson Street was destroyed by fire. Mrs. Hipp was burned about the face, hands, and legs. The fire occurred at about 8 a.m. when Mrs. Hipp dropped a jug of kerosene near the kitchen stove. Flames spread rapidly and were out of control before the Farmington Fire Department could arrive.

Driver Burned To Death

Edward Ross, Detroit truck driver, was burned to death at 5:15 a.m. Sunday when the gasoline tank on the truck in which he was riding exploded. The accident occurred on Grand River Avenue, between Middlebelt and Eight Mile Road. The Farmington Fire Department was called to extinguish the blaze, but Ross, apparently trapped in the cab, was burned fatally. He was asleep in the cab with Thomas Drouillard, of Detroit, driving, when the truck struck a car parked without lights. Drouillard said when he got out to investigate, the tank of the truck blew up. Investigation disclosed the gasoline drum had been torn loose by the impact.

Five Years Ago (February 8, 1945) Plan Scout Demonstration

Plans are now complete for the Scout Camp Demonstration to be held in the Farmington High School Auditorium on Thursday evening, February 15, beginning at 7:30 p.m., according to an announcement by Mr. B. Bingham of Walnut Lake, chairman of the southern neighborhood Camp-O-Rama. This demonstration is a part of the celebration being held by the local Boy Scouts to celebrate Scout Week, the 35th birthday of Scouting in America.



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