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EDITORIALS

Now It's Official . . .

and in black and white. The State Water Resources Commission has ordered the City of Farmington to have a sewage disposal system in operation by June of 1954.

The announcement was made last week at a special hearing of the Commission held near Milford. Farmington's City Council has already approved a resolution of intention to complete the project by the deadline set by the state, but the hearing makes it official. It is a visual sign of the changing times, and emphasizes the continuing growth of our community.

Communications between the State and the city have been going on for many years in regard to this problem. The fact that Farmington would have to establish some type of sewage system eventually was well known. For this reason it is the opinion of The Enterprise that some steps should have been taken long ago to prepare for the inevitable. It comes back to that old but very sound word, planning.

Some have told us that it is impossible to look ahead and predict these things. It certainly is if we don't look. In the case of the sewage problem, we didn't even have to look, we were told as much as ten and fifteen years ago. A contingency fund might have been set up at that time to meet some of the problems. The city is to be commended for having lived within its budget over the years and we agree it has not always been easy. But we still believe that with some prior planning many of the present problems might have been eliminated.

What is passed is passed, but we can profit by experience if we will. To delay planning is to put off progress.

A Concluding Word . . .

or two must be added to the many already written and spoken about the importance of registering for the August Primary Election. We would not be fulfilling our obligation if we failed to make one final plea urging you again to register on or before July 7.

That's the final day that you can qualify for the August 5 Primary. Not enough emphasis can be placed on the importance of registering and voting. It is the backbone of our democracy. There is no substitute for individual responsibility, to ignore it is to forsake freedom.

For a number of years we have pointed with shame at our voting record, and resolved to improve it. Yet, in spite of an intensive campaign we are still far too complacent for our own safety. In the last School District elections less than ten per cent of the registered voters went to the polls, and many more did not even bother to register. Even in the last Presidential Election only about 50 per cent of the potential voters in the nation cast their ballots. Why?

Freedom is not something that has just been handed to us with no strings attached. We must recognize it, cherish it, and work to secure it and make it better. Freedom can be taken from us if we don't use it. The right to vote is an obligation as well as a privilege. One can not be separated from the other.

Insure your freedom and the freedom of your community and country — register on or before July 7 and vote on August 5!

More Confusion . . .

was added to the Korean situation last week with the British waxing hot and heavy over the American bombing of Yalu power plants, which is undoubtedly bringing some consolation to the Communists.

What with the stalling Reds, the nerve-wracking stalemate and apparent indecision all around, the latest wrangling just about tops the cake, and puts a candle on it. If it were not for the fact that most of the shouting is coming from the Laborites who are aspiring to get back in power, it would be more serious.

Even in politics running down your allies in an effort to gain party power has a way of backfiring right in your face. In Korea it's human life, not party politics that is at stake, and the United States, incidentally, has the biggest stake planted in Korea.

A little more cooperation and singleness of purpose would go a long way toward securing the future of the free world, and for most of us, at least, that's the goal we are seeking.

Churches

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
25600 Grand River Avenue
Early Service, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Late Service, 11 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Sunday School 8:40 a.m., nursery
to senior departments.
Divine services at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

Lutheran Hour broadcast at 8:30 p.m. Sunday over KILW and at 8:30 p.m. on WXYZ.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River and Warner Avenues
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, 6:00 p.m.
Midweek Devotional Service on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
W. 7 Mile, E. of Farmington Rd.
9:30 a.m., Church School.
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship.
10:45 a.m., Nursery, kindergarten and primary Sunday School.
W. S. C. S. on second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.
Holy Day Masses: 6:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00.
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Grand River at Oxford
Sabbath School 8:30 a.m. Saturday.
Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday.
8 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meeting.
"Faith for Today" telecast 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Channel 7.
"Voice of Prophecy" WXYZ Sunday 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 11:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Midweek Services at 7:30 p.m.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bible Study at 9:45 a.m. Main Building Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
A nursery department is maintained during the morning worship.
Morning Worship, 9:00 a.m.
Church School, 10:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

FOREST HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Stanbury and 12 Mile Roads
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service, at 8 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
23701 Cass Avenue
11:00 a.m., Morning Services and Sunday School.
8:30 p.m., Wednesday Evening, Testimonial Meeting.
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

That it is important for us to have a clear understanding of God and of man's divine inheritance to Him is brought out in the Lesson-Sermon on the subject "God" to be read in all Christian Science churches on Sunday, July 6.

The Golden Text is from Revelation (21:3): "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God."

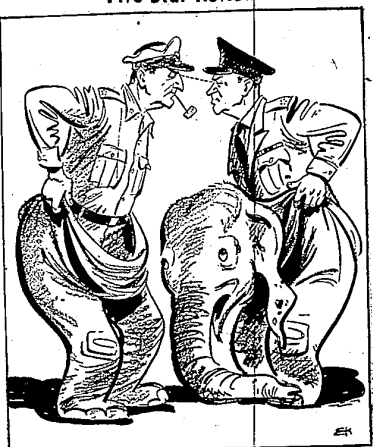
SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
21122 Indian Road
10:00 a.m. Bible School.
11:15 a.m. Worship.
Nursery provided.
7:30 p.m. Evening Praise.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., Prayer Fellowship.

CHURCH OF GOD
20841 Shilohwood at Middlebelt
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship.
8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.
8 p.m. Saturday, Young People's Service.

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
15 Mile Road at Greening
10:00 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Worship. Sermon theme: "Religious Attitudes".
Nursery for children under five.
6:00 p.m. Intermediate Youth Fellowship.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
10:30, Morning Worship Service.
Special music by the choir, illustrated children's message.
11:30, Sunday School: Bible study in classes; classes for all ages.
During the Sunday School hour the Junior Choir will practice.
7:30, Evening Worship service.

Five Star Review



By GENE ALLEMAN

"Is this a private fight," asked the proverbial Irishman, "or can anybody get in it?"

That might have been the question asked by Michigan businessmen and manufacturers as they waded into the Governor Williams State Legislature Donkeybrook in the closing days of the legislative session.

Faced with the prospects of going \$11 million further in the red, House general taxation committee considered a 2% processing tax as a last-minute attempt to make up the losses in revenue which had been brought about by the governor's vetoes of several tax measures.

The tax would have levied a 2% tax on everything that goes into industrial processing or manufacture.

All the tools an auto maker buys to change models, all the tin cans a packer uses to package the nation's crop of fruits and vegetables, all the machinery a print shop buys to replace worn-out equipment or to expand would be taxed.

Although they showed such restraint in their presentation that Rep. Anderson was moved to compliment the witnesses on it, spokesmen for Michigan business groups would have used the phrase to convey their complete disapproval of the proposed law.

Joseph Creighton, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, charged flatly: "Michigan's problem is a political one more than a financial one. Just as it is willing to go along on a long-range taxation program: it made no objection to the increase in corporate franchise taxes. But we refuse to be the sacrificial goat on the political altar of a governor who refuses to admit that a tax on industry is a tax on the consumer."

But the witnesses had more than verbal attitudes to throw at the governor. They had bludgeons of facts to swing at the committee. Detroit industrialists protested that they must compete with firms outside Michigan who wouldn't have to add such tax to production costs. "With this extra handicap, we won't be competitive, our workers won't get the paychecks they get now."

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (July 7, 1927)

Oldest Veteran
H. D. Reed of Farmington, accompanied by his daughter Mrs. Jack Alcott, with whom he lives, attended the First Annual Reunion of the Society of the Seventeenth United States Infantry at Canton, Ohio, June 30 to July 3. Mr. Reed, 75, was the oldest member in attendance. He enlisted in the Seventeenth in 1870 and served in units engaging Indians in Montana and Idaho. He left the service in 1875.

Sets Record
All traffic records for travel on Grand River Avenue were believed broken during the three day holiday on July 4. From late afternoon until midnight on the first day Grand River Avenue from Farmington to Redford was jammed with a crawling line of cars. It took from two to three hours to get from Redford to Farmington. At times the congestion extended west of Farmington, boiling up at Novi.

Jam Park Opening
An immense crowd packed the new Edgewater Amusement Park, Seven Mile Road near Grand River, when it opened Monday. A spokesman for the park estimated there were 10,000 autos parked near the park at the highest point of the opening celebration.

TEN YEARS AGO (July 9, 1942)
Resigns Post
Howard Otis resigned as a Farmington City Commissioner in a letter submitted to the City Commission at its regular meeting Monday night. Otis reported the action was necessary because he has accepted work in a Motor Ordnance Unit of the United States Army. In accepting the resignation, members of the commission praised Otis for his fine work as Commissioner of Public Works and the work he accomplished as Salvage Chairman for the City of Farmington. Harrison Johnson was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Raise Bond Quota
Quota for Farmington City and Township in Defense Bonds and Stamps in July has been set at \$31,300, which exceeds the June figure by \$700. Chairman Joseph Himmelbach urged that everything possible be done by residents to meet the higher quota.

No Accidents
"It was a quiet Fourth, not much doing, but lots of traffic," said Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt Wednesday concerning the Fourth of July holiday. "There were no accidents."

FIVE YEARS AGO (July 3, 1947)
Give Census Figures
Final certified figures of the special Oakland County census as authorized by the Board of Supervisors for the county and its municipalities has been completed. The population of Farmington Township has reached a new mark of 8,205, an increase of 2,511 persons over the 1940 figure of 5,695.

Attend Summer Course
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DEFENSES IN JEOPARDY

The senate prearranged committee has sent to the printers a sensational report on the nation's largest defense, charging that President Truman ignored the warnings of the joint chiefs of staff and put "fiscal considerations" ahead of the nation's safety. This is the committee's conclusion after six months of studying behind locked doors and meeting top-secret reports.

The senators considered the report so urgent that they felt it should not be withheld any longer. They cite 1951 as the year of our "greatest national peril" and sharply criticize the President for his stretch-out program on aircraft production.

"In the face of the solemn warning by the joint chiefs of staff, the President, largely on the basis of advice given by civilian officials, made a decision based on fiscal considerations, the end result of which was to postpone beyond the date of our gravest danger the attainment of our necessary modern air power," the report declares bluntly.

Quoting from a secret JCS memo, the committee states: "The joint chiefs of staff desire to reaffirm that they consider the general period of 1954 to be the most dangerous for the security of the United States in the foreseeable future."

COMPULSORY REASONS
"An additional drag-out of our aircraft production program," the committee warns, "would drastically affect our state of readiness by postponing the consummation of our preparedness effort until 1957 or even later . . . The planes we are getting back now are those that we may need in the not too distant future."

The committee adds, however, that "our studies have shown a lack of cost consciousness in the military department. We are convinced that there is fat which can be eliminated. A better utilization by the military of manpower services in the domestic economy will, in fact, undoubtedly result in a reduction of costs."

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Bible Comment:
Attitude of Mind, Not Momentary Mood, Shows Faith

At the outset of Job's sufferings, his wife says, "Many wives have been a support to their husbands in times of need, but such was not the case with Job's wife. Apparently without any vital faith herself she virtually taunted Job with his own faith, saying to him, in effect, 'Now, where's your God? What's the use of your faith, when you're covered from head to foot with boils? You'd better curse God and die.'"

"What a woman! A man covered with boils could be pardoned for being irritable, but Job surely was doubly justified in losing some of his patience, and telling her that she was speaking like a fool: 'Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh.'"

But in the rest of his reply wisdom conquered impatience. In memorable words he said: "What? Shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?" The record truly says that "in all this did not Job sin with his lips."

There were times when Job's faith and patient endurance were not so strong, when his suffering seemed greater than he could bear, and when he felt as Jesus was to feel on the Cross, as if God had forsaken him. One might call such a mood a not unnatural reaction to intense suffering. The outcry of Jesus was, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

But it is the mood of the moment, but the attitude of mind and heart—what kind of faith it is—sense of faith, and of trust of God. The Bible teaches consistently that the good and upright are secure in God's keeping, no matter what may befall them, but it does not teach that they are immune from trouble. The prophets held that their faith was due to their mission through deep persecution and suffering.

"LIFE, LIBERTY, and the pursuit of HAPPINESS"

In America, your financial independence is not a gift; it is a reward for thrift, industry, and the good sense to look and plan ahead.

But what you make of your life, how you use your liberty, and the degree of happiness that you attain will be largely the result of your own choosing and your own doing.

(No banking business will be transacted on July 4th)

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