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It's Our Opinion

What's To Happen . . .

to Orchard Lake Road, from Grand River north to Fourteen Mile Road, is still a matter of decision. Will this vital link continue to go down or will it be restored to the safe, smooth road that it should be?

This is a question many persons in this area are asking and have been asking for a number of years. Plans for the widening and resurfacing of the important cross artery are being submitted with the proposed 1953 program of the Oakland County Road Commission. This in itself is an important step, but before any results can be achieved the money for the project must be allocated by the County Board of Supervisors. Action on the county road improvement program is expected to be acted on in April.

We realize that a great many demands are being made daily for the improvement of various stretches of road in the county, and we realize, too, that funds are limited. But at the same time we think certain points should be made very clear to the County Supervisors by the Farmington City and Township representatives to the Board. In the first place, Orchard Lake Road from Grand River to Fourteen Mile is one of the oldest sections of original concrete in the county. It is also one of the main links between the Farmington community and the County Seat. In spite of its present condition, Orchard Lake Road is receiving an ever-increasing amount of passenger and small truck traffic. It is also the primary route for the Pontiac - Ann Arbor bus.

Even though Orchard Lake Road is extremely narrow with limited shoulders, two school buses can barely pass, few serious accidents have occurred. This has been due to almost continual warning to motorists to drive along the road with caution. In fact, a lot of traffic that would normally travel on Orchard Lake Road is being diverted, as a result, to safer but more out-of-the-way routes. During the interim, the road is continuing to break down, in spite of expensive and time-consuming maintenance by the Road Commission.

If this portion is to be continued as a road at all, immediate action should be taken to rebuild it at once. This is important not only from a safety standpoint, but from an economy standpoint as well. Orchard Lake Road is an important cross-link, not only for the residents of the Farmington community, but for the entire county and state. It is essential that it be made safe.

What's to happen to Orchard Lake Road? We hope we will have a constructive and progressive answer in April.

Are You Qualified . . .

to vote in the Farmington Township Primary Election to be held February 16? This is a vitally important question . . . one that every citizen of the township should answer.

If there is any question in your mind about it . . . find out today at the township office in the Town Hall. If you know you are not registered, get your name on the books right now. The coming township election is important to you, and as an American you have an obligation to perform.

In the recent Presidential Election, a record number of township voters went to the polls. As a result of that record a new challenge stands before us. The selection of our local governmental officials is as important, if not more important, than the election of state and national officers. Nothing affects you more directly than the laws, rules and regulations established right here in your community, and these laws are enacted by local officials that you, the voters, elect.

So let's not fall back into a coma of complacency . . . let's not rest on our previous records. Let's keep moving ahead to new records and new challenges as free and progressive citizens. Register on or before January 17 . . . and vote on February 16!

Another new state budget has been wrapped up by the Governor and shipped over to the Legislature. There is just one thing that just doesn't seem to add up to us. In one sentence the Governor calls the proposal a "poverty budget" while in the next he calls for the addition of 1,500 new state employees. Maybe it is just that the adding machines work differently in Lansing.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2500 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 9:40 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 CKLW and at 3:30 p.m. on WXYZ.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River and Warner Avenues
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning worship, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, 6:30 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 School at 10 a.m.
Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Friday Prayer Service, 8:15-9:45 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Young People's meeting.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
10:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic
11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship
6:30 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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Midweek Services at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8:30 p.m.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
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.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY 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.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.
Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00.
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Grand River at Oxford
Sabbath School 9:30 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 Progress" WXYZ Sunday 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30 a.m.

SOUTHWFIELD 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.

Five Youth Clubs weekly. Free transportation phone SO. 5272.

CHURCH OF GOD
20841 Shilwaukee at Middlebelt
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship.
8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
18 Mile Road at Greening
10:00 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
Sermon theme: "Bringing The Best".
6:00 p.m. Junior and Intermediate Youth Fellowship.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
10:30, Morning Worship Service. Special music by the choir, illustrated children's message.
11:15 a.m. 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.

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Old Friends—Old Problems



Farmington Represented

County Red Cross Chapter Plans Organization Of Speakers' Bureau

Home service committeemen of Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, pledged Wednesday, January 7, to help explain the Red Cross program and needs for funds to their communities.

The committee, headed by Mrs. P. S. Johnson of Pleasant Ridge, met in Pontiac to discuss ways to help in the Red Cross 1953 fund campaign, slated for March.

The group will organize a speakers' bureau to appear, free of charge, before any group or organization on request. The committee serves as an advisory board for the local home service department—the Red Cross "Service at Home" to servicemen overseas," which helps servicemen and their families with various problems.

Mrs. Alfred Barnes of Royal Oak, chairman of the South Oakland County Division for the campaign, and Mrs. Mildred Bennett of Pontiac, the chapter's executive secretary, spoke Wednesday.

The women read a message sent by Gen. A. Sweeney of Royal Oak, fund campaign chairman, which cited the committee's meeting as an example of how Red Cross services work together.

Home service serves the servicemen's "Society said. "Sometimes he or his family needs blood — that brings in the blood donor service. Sometimes money is needed to handle a problem — so we have fund drives. Perhaps his children are exposed to polio — then we can help prevent paralysis by use of gamma globulin — derived from the blood the Red Cross collects. Perhaps a tornado or fire strikes his family — there the disaster service comes in."

Members of the home service committee include Mrs. George Harvey, Lansing; Dr. J. S. Lambie and Mrs. George W. McCormick, Birmingham; Pierre DelMontier, Farmington; and Lloyd Van Buskirk of Hazel Park.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

23701 Cass Avenue

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Farmington Town Hall.
11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 23701 Cass Avenue.

8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening, Trinitarian Meeting.
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

When one has a true understanding of Life, he is able to overcome much fear. This is brought out in the Lesson - Sermon entitled "Life to be read in all Christian Science churches on Sunday, January 18."

The Golden Text is from Psalms (16:5, 11): "The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup; thou maintainest my lot my cup; thou wilt shew me the path of life."

FIRST UNIVERSALIST
Warner and Thomas Streets
Preaching service and Junior Church at 11 a.m. Sunday.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. B. Guinan, Pastor, 1949
(Services in Universalist Church)
9:30 Morning Prayer and sermon. Church School (3 to 11 years) during the service.

FREE WILL BAPTIST
Grand River at Middlebelt
10:00 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
7:30 p.m. Evening service.
7:30 p.m. Thursday, prayer service.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Services at the Middlebelt School
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Evening service, 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer service in the home of the Pastor at 21995 Tula Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

GAYLORD BAPTIST CHURCH
19188 Gaylord Road
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.
B. Y. P., 8 p.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.



By GENE ALLEMAN

With the dust barely settled on this year's state election, Republicans already are casting around for a gubernatorial candidate for 1954.

It is strictly conventional at this point, but at least five hopefuls are being considered as the next Republican governor. Oddly enough, Fred Alger, who lost the last election by a gnat's hair, isn't even being considered. Not only is he figured as being washed up in Michigan politics, but it is expected he will be offered a post in Washington by the new G. O. administration.

Names getting more than casual mention for the 1954 campaign are D. Hale Drake, who has made it no secret that he would like to be governor; Owen J. Clardy, secretary of state and for four years chairman of the State Republican Central Committee; Donald S. Leonard, Detroit police commissioner; John D. Nansen, Jr., auditor general; and Frank G. Millard, attorney general.

Drake has served ten years as treasurer of Michigan and eight years in the senate. He seriously considered entering the race for governor in 1950, but he is a strict party man and stepped aside for Harry F. Kelly, who Republicans thought would have a better chance against Williams.

Clardy had his eyes on state political office as far back as 1946 when he ran for Lieutenant Governor, and it is no secret that he considers his election as secretary of state a stepping stone to a higher office.

Don Leonard surprised the state when he piled up a substantial vote for governor in last year's primary. He now has a fine job too, but he is in the Detroit police department but he would like to be governor, and many observers consider him the most likely to win the nomination two years from now.

John B. Martin has political ambitions. He served one term in the senate and jumped from there clear to the auditor general's office. He lost out in the primary to Charles E. Potter when he took a crack at the U. S. Senate, but he is not going to be content as auditor general for long.

Martin was the best vote-getter on the Republican state ticket last year, which is probably the only reason his name came up here. He hasn't announced his intention and isn't expected to for a good while yet. An attorney general, however, his name will keep popping up before the public. Republican policy makers are very sensitive to anyone who can grab off a handful of votes.

Now for the Democrats. Immediately the question is: Will Williams run again, if not who will succeed him? It is generally conceded that Williams has a weather eye peeled for the U. S. senate seat of Homer Ferguson. Assuming that to be true, what Democrat has the vote-getting

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (January 12, 1928)

Approve Roads
Road construction of great importance to this section was authorized by state and county officials during the past week. They authorized spring construction on a wider Grand River Avenue between Farmington and Redford and authorized paving Elmhurst Lake Road from the east line of Southfield Township to Orchard Lake Road and approved the petition for nine miles of concrete on the Pontiac - Walled Lake Road.

New Building
The opening of the new Buick sales and service building in Farmington last Saturday afternoon and evening proved a considerable attraction for motor-car owners and prospective buyers in this vicinity. Several hundred people attended the opening and continued to visit the new building during the early part of this week.

Soft Ice
For the first time since the event was established four years ago, the Walled Lake Skating Carnival was postponed last Saturday due to soft ice. Only two races were attempted, the meet being abandoned after these two events.

TEN YEARS AGO (January 14, 1943)
Give Ambulance
At the special meeting of the Nancy Belles Club, in the Highland Park Library on January 6, President Mrs. Blaine T. Coleman presented the ambulance purchased by the club as their gift of the year to the Army Air Forces. The ambulance was accepted by Col. Weston, Lt. Col. Wilson and Major Davis of the Air Base near Romulus, Michigan.

Tax Export
Deputy Collector Charles H. Smith of the Internal Revenue Office at Pontiac will visit Farmington on Monday and Tuesday, February 15 and 16, for the purpose of assisting and advising tax payers on matters regarding their 1942 income tax.

FIVE YEARS AGO (January 15, 1948)
Purdy To Stay
The Farmington City Commission voted to retain George W. Purdy as a police officer for the City of Farmington on a permanent basis at the regular meeting on Wednesday evening. "It was also voted to retain Mr. John Cox as skating rink keeper. He has been doing an excellent job this year, and those who have been using the rink report the skating is fine."

Small Fire
Fire of undetermined origin caused minor damage to one of the new overnight cabins at the Oak Grove Cabins on Grand River Avenue Friday evening.

Contribute Food
Approximately a ton of canned food was contributed by Farmington to the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored "Friendship Food Caravan", it was announced Monday by the Farmington Jaycees.

New Project
The Girl Scouts of Farmington have started on a project, co-operating with the Girl Scouts of America, to provide 100,000 complete clothing kits for young people before December 1, 1948. This is "Clothes for Friendship" campaign, and the Girl Scouts need your help to fill the kits.

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