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EDITORIALS:

It's Our Opinion

Dreaming Up . . .

catch lines and tricky sayings on a subject as talked about as voting is a pretty difficult job. Yet it's a subject that must be continually kept in the foreground if our rights as individuals and our development as a community is to be maintained.

There are not new, attention-getting words . . . you have heard them many times before. But as old as they may be, they spell out a cold, unvarnished fact. Unless we, as individuals, exercise our rights, unless we take a personal interest in our governmental affairs . . . we stand to lose!

Next Monday, June 14, the citizens of Farmington and Clarencville will cast ballots in the Annual School Elections. How many will take the trouble to vote? It's a good question and an important one. Will a minority of the citizens elect the new Board of Education members? Will a mere handful of voters decide on the special education proposal? In the interest of the preservation of individual rights and the development of our school districts, we hope not!

Any machinery, regardless of how good it is, will soon fall in decay if it is left unused. The machinery of democracy is no exception. No election is unimportant when the interest of the public is involved. To say, "I am too busy" or "What difference does it make" is only to delay progress and to endanger individual freedom. When 15% or even 30% of the people make the decisions for the majority, we are in danger. An organized minority could in one day destroy what has taken years to build.

The basic quality of our way of life is the individual. He is the most important element of our society. When he fails to exercise his responsibility as a citizen, he fails his country and his community. Don't fail next Monday!

Sorting Out The Facts . . .

concerning the possible expansion of library facilities in the Farmington area will be the primary activity at a joint meeting between the City Council, Township Board and interested citizens to be held next Tuesday evening.

A lot of time and effort has been expended by the Friends of the Library and the Library Board in gathering vital information on the present and future needs. The problem will be to sort out the facts and piece them together into a workable pattern. We sincerely hope that this can be done quickly and efficiently through the cooperative efforts of the city, township and library groups. It is our opinion that this is the practical solution to the problem.

The Farmington area is in urgent need of more adequate and more modern library facilities. It is important to the information, education and recreation of the community. The present library is wholly inadequate in relationship to the number of people it serves. There is no doubt but what it would be used far more extensively if larger and more attractive facilities were made available.

Libraries today are more than shelves of books . . . they are education centers, and this is as it should be. The Farmington community needs such a center for both children and adults. Modern reading rooms, proper space for discussion groups and a broader selection of printed material are important tools in our never-ending search for knowledge.

These things are not beyond the realm of possibility . . . not if we work together to achieve them.

The "Yes And No" Policy . . .

of the Soviet Union is showing again. Last week they voted against a proposal to submit the Indo-China conflict to the United Nations Security Council.

Since they were the lone dissenter, the question is to be included on the Council agenda. Russia seems to have the confusing habit of voting "Yes" for the United Nations but voting "No" for anything it tries to do. However, there is probably a motive behind the confusion. The Reds want to be in on the act, but they don't want the embarrassing experience of tumbling off the high wire.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

CHURCH OF GOD
20341 Shiawassee 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.

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.
Thursday Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Young People's meeting.

CLARENCVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:15 a.m.
Youth Groups 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Mid-Week Service Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST
Farmington at Shiawassee
9:30 and 11:40 a.m. Nursery, Junior Church and Morning Worship.
10:35 Sunday School with all-graded lessons.
6:30 Young People's Choir.
6:30 Junior, Hi-BY, and Senior Youth Groups.
6:30 Adult Study Class.
7:30 Happy Evening Hour.
7:30 Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.
8:30 Wednesday, Senior Church.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Farmington at Shiawassee
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
Grand River at Middlebelt
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, 7:02, 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 Prophecy" WXYZ Sunday 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30 a.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Services at Middlebelt School on Middlebelt North of Ten Mile
Morning worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Evening service at 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer meeting held at the home of the pastor at 21996 Tulane Street Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
(For bus service, phone Farmington 2124.)

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
Middlebelt at Grand River
10:00 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
Sermon theme, "Managing Our Lives."
7:00 p.m. Junior and Intermediate Youth Fellowship.
Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
W. S. C. S. business meeting at 8:00 p.m. Thursday.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Sunday School and Bible Class, 9:30 a.m., nursery to senior departments.
Divine services, 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 8:30 p.m. Sunday over CKLW.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River and Warner Avenues
Church School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.
(A nursery is maintained during the Morning Worship.)

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. B. Gulan
Farm, 10429-M and 10419-J (Services in Universalist Church)
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and sermon/Holy Communion on each third Sunday.
Church School: Pre-school to third grade during Sunday service.
Fourth grade through high school, Wednesday, 4 to 8 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Church Services and Church School at 9:30 a.m.
At Farmington High School, 6:30 p.m. at the Manor.

OAKLAND CHURCH OF GOD
20221 Angling Road
Between 7 Mile and 8 Mile
Worship Tuesday evening, 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Don't Pick Him Up



Michigan education circles were shocked last week when a giant-sized fly trapped up in the ointment, an ointment carefully prepared to lubricate state school finances.

Cause for the concern was a letter signed by Prentiss M. Brown, former U. S. Senator. Writing as chairman of a group called the Michigan Committee for Better Schools, Brown makes a strong plea for change in the State Constitution. Since the last change came about by referendum, the letter urges that readers circulate petitions so that the question can be listed on the ballot.

Government finance involves technical economic terms. It is extremely difficult for Mr. Average Man to understand. Talk on equalization, valuation, millage limitations, etc., seems very complicated to people who do not deal often with such terms.

State school people, who now consider the Conlin plan for increasing salaries a desirable, are worried that the voter will be confused about which amendment to vote for. The result they fear is that he will vote against both. Quickest way to beat the new threat is to keep it off the ballot.

Opposition to the "Better Schools" plan was not long in developing. Representatives from the State Department of Public Instruction (MCA), a professional organization representing 38,000 of Michigan's 43,000 teachers; Michigan Association of School Administrators; Michigan Farm Bureau and several other groups took stands against the proposals.

Strong terms were used. Dr. A. J. Phillips, executive secretary of MCA, said the passages

THE DETROIT GOSPEL TABERNACLE
4000 GOSPEL
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening service, 7:30 p.m.
Young People's Meeting each Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.
Ladies Prayer Meeting each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study Thursday, 8:00 p.m.
Old Fashion Prayer Meeting Saturday, 8:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome.

LYONIA METHODIST CHURCH
West Seven Mile, E. of Farm. Rd.
Senior Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
Morning Worship, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Church School, 9:30 a.m., third through eighth grade.
Nursery through second and high school, 11:00 a.m.
Intermediate Youth Fellowship at 6:00 p.m.
Senior Youth Fellowship at 7:00 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
21122 Indian Road
10:00 a.m. Bible School.
11:05 a.m. Worship.
Nursery provided.
7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., Prayer Fellowship.
Five Youth Clubs weekly. For free transportation call FI. 1-5372.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, FARMINGTON
23701 Cass Avenue
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
Farmington Town Hall
11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 23701 Cass Avenue.
8:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening.
7:00 p.m. Thursday Evening.
Reading Room hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

That spiritual understanding of God protects man from disease and danger, and is not subject to material laws of chance and change, will be brought out at Christian Science services Sunday in a Lesson. Services entitled "God The Preserver of Man".

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LOOKING AHEAD

by GEORGE S. BENSON
President-Reading College
Scripps, Indiana

Every danger confronting America today, both from within and from without, can be relieved to a considerable extent by getting our government on a sound, solvent basis. Good sound government, living within its budget and performing efficient service at low cost to the taxpayer, affords the greatest strength possible to the nation as a whole and to the government itself as an instrument of the people. Government that is not sound, operating on borrowed money and stifling the normal healthy growth-impulses of the whole economic system, weakens the nation and makes it unreliable as a bulwark of defensive strength.

This is an obvious conclusion. Therefore there is a great deal at stake for every citizen, young and old, in the efforts being made to get government expenses, balance the budget, establish a sensible tax program, and otherwise bring soundness to the governmental operation. I do not know of a better illustration of the unsound financial situation in which we are involved today than the table of tax salaries in America published by a weekly news magazine.

A vice president in charge of production for a big manufacturing company is listed as receiving \$500,000 for last year's work, of which he got to keep only a fraction, after taxes. We need not discuss this man's real worth to the company; undoubtedly it is great. We do need to examine the fantastic aspects of this salary—fantastic because of the tax rate upon income, and the inflation caused by the government operating on an unbalanced budget for 17 of the last 20 years.

Just a generation ago a sizeable manufacturing company could have been established with \$500,000. Had its vice president been a man of unusual capabilities in American industry, capable of expanding production, increasing profits and creating more jobs, he might have received \$25,000 a year and earned it. "He would have paid a few thousand in taxes. The purchasing power of the remaining dollars would have been double that of today's inflated dollars. In comparison let's see what happens to today's \$500,000 vice president.

As a president has only himself and his wife, and his net income is \$575,000, the federal government takes in taxes \$156,820 of the total \$200,000. On the remaining \$275,000, the government then levies a 91 per cent tax. That amounts to \$251,250. Thus from this one man—working for a salary of \$500,000—the government takes \$408,070. This represents about 85 cents in federal income taxes out of every dollar of his income. Indirect taxes and other direct taxes hit what's left, and so do the state and local taxes, including state income tax, sales tax, etc.

There is something drastically wrong with a tax program which taxes 85 per cent of anybody's salary in income taxes. There is something fundamentally wrong with the tax system when a company must pay out the fantastic sum of \$500,000 to give its top production executive a take-home salary in keeping with his worth. The company actually is paying the executive about \$7,000 a month, and the federal government \$41,500 a month for the privilege of employing him. The situation is ridiculous. It is outrageous. And it should be corrected. But how?

To restore sanity to the financial life of our government, and to safeguard the financial stability of our whole national economy, a broad program of governmental reform is needed. Many services have been concentrated in the federal government in the last few years.

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (June 13, 1920)
23 To Grand
High school days will end for 25 seniors from Farmington High School next Monday evening when they will receive their diploma at annual Commencement Exercises in the Methodist Community Hall. Mrs. E. N. Ross, president of the Board of Education, will award the diplomas. Professor John L. Primm, head of the Department of Journalism at the University of Michigan, will deliver the main address.

Extend Farmington Road
A call for a meeting of citizens to discuss the proposition of extending Farmington Road straight north from Shiawassee Street, across the valley back of the Baptist Church, to form a connecting link with Ten Mile Road, was issued this week by Farmington merchant Henry W. Lee. Lee asks all those interested in this project to meet at his store on Grand River next Wednesday evening, June 16, at 8 o'clock. A petition signed by a number of businessmen, which Lee now holds, will be presented to the Oakland County Road Commission.

SEVEN YEARS AGO (June 15, 1944)
More School Property
Voters of Farmington School District No. 5 voted overwhelmingly, 115 to 26, to raise an additional millage for one year in order to secure funds necessary to purchase certain properties as additions to the present school site. The proposition to borrow a sum not to exceed \$10,000 was carried by a vote of 112 to 16, thus permitting immediate steps to secure the property. This will make it possible for the school district to burn the athletic field which has been formerly under lease from the City of Farmington.

Courry Named To Commission
Trace Courry, Farmington merchant, was appointed City Commissioner Wednesday evening at a meeting of the Commission. He will fill the unexpired term of Max Hubert.

FIVE YEARS AGO (June 16, 1949)
School District Elections
One of the latest votes in the history of both the Farmington and Clarencville School Districts was recorded in the annual election of Board members held Monday. Only 241 votes were cast in the Farmington voting area out of a total of approximately 1,600 registered voters. Only 412 votes were cast in the Clarencville School District with 1,400 registered voters. Elected to the Farmington Board were Samuel R. Turner and Curt Hall. Robert Dennis and Thomas Wilson were new selections to the Clarencville Board.

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