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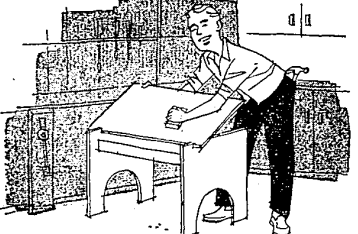
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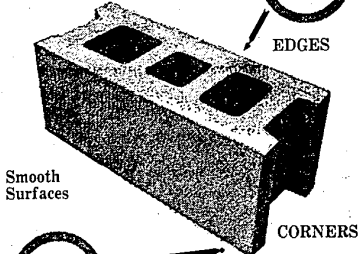


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Missionary V. Carvey To Speak At Baptist Church

Mr. Vernon Carvey, a former Farmington resident and soldier in the Philippines, now returning there as a foreign missionary, will be the guest speaker at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, December 12, at 8:30 and 11:40 a.m.

Serving with the U. S. Army in Manila during World War II, Mr. Carvey helped organize the G. I. Gospel Hour there.

Carvey is a graduate of Michigan State College and Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena. He will serve in the Philippines with the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Sincerely Yours:

Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the policy of this newspaper.

To the Editor:

In his resignation statement, Mayor Loomis made some easily-misunderstood appraisals of our city charter. As one of the noisiest proponents of that charter, (I am Chairman of the Citizens' Committee for Charter Revision), I can't let those appraisals stand unqualified.

Mr. Loomis correctly and accurately stated the present charter or allows the mayor little authority in the management of the city. However, his statement might easily be misinterpreted to infer that this is undesirable, which is incorrect.

This is the charter's purpose and greatest asset.

His contention which designed Farmington's charter had one thing in mind - to bring the benefits of professional management to the city's operation. They wrote a charter which called for a city manager, a professional whose livelihood depends on his managerial ability in municipal operation. He is an administrator, the "executive department" of the city government.

This paid administrator is responsible to a city council, composed of five councilmen elected at large. These five men comprise the "legislative" branch of the city's government. They are charged with approving or disapproving the manager's recommendations, and with the policy-making powers of the city. In turn, the council reports to the people, who can change the council's majority at any biennial election, or by recall.

These are the terms of the city's charter - the same division of powers as specified in the federal constitution. They have been confused in Mr. Loomis's statement. The mayor, as he says, has no authority in the management of the city.

He isn't supposed to have. The management of the city is left to the city manager, who is charged with the administration of the city on a full time, professional, competent basis. If the council is dissatisfied with the competency of the manager, they have both the authority and obligation to dismiss that manager. (This is an important part of council-manager plans; the manager serves only at the pleasure of the council. Certainly, if the council is displeased with the management of the city, it has no right to assume that management themselves.)

These are the terms of the city charter. Mr. Loomis accepted these terms when he accepted candidacy for council. For the purpose of presiding at council meetings and to provide a titular head of the government, Mr. Loomis was named mayor by the city council. The title itself is irrelevant. It gives the mayor no special powers not granted the other four councilmen. It specifically does not give him authority to manage the city's operation.

Although he is not a professional city manager, Mr. Loomis is an extremely capable insurance man and might be as equally capable city administrator. However, the charter could not be written for specific personalities; it was intended to insure professional management regardless of who may be elected mayor.

The charter pointedly demands city management be left to the manager. This was the reason it was written, the reason the former charter was scrapped. For 26 years, Farmington got along on the basis of day-to-day, part-time, amateur management. By a seven to one majority, the citizens of Farmington dictated a change. They got it.

To city residents who have lived under both the old and new charters, the change has been clearly discernible, and for the better. Without an increased tax rate, (indeed - the city has turned a surplus) city services have been tremendously improved by professional management.

Mr. Loomis is unwilling to leave the management to the manager, (as his statement indicates), then he is morally obligated to resign. He has not, and under the charter he could not have, failed the people who voted for him. They voted to elect him not as a city administrator, but as a city legislator, a post for which he is fully qualified.

Ernest Hickman

The only discovery left for the Russians to make is that nobody believes them. - H. X. Eschenbrenner.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR of EVENTS

- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9**
- 7:30 p.m. Oakland Lions
 - 7:30 p.m. Rebekah Lodge 290
 - 8:00 p.m. Ladies Guild
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**
- 7:00 p.m. Trojans vs. Keego Harbor
 - 7:00 p.m. Falcons vs. Berkley
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**
- 2:00 p.m. Wolverine Trail Club
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 13**
- 6:45 p.m. Farmington R. F. W.
 - 7:30 p.m. Y. P. Fellowship
 - 8:00 p.m. School Board
 - 8:15 p.m. Ten Mile P.T.A.
 - 8:15 p.m. Daughters of Isabella
 - 8:30 p.m. Legion Auxiliary
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14**
- 6:30 p.m. Kiwanis Club
 - 7:00 p.m. Township Lions Club
 - 8:00 p.m. Township Board
 - 8:00 p.m. Bond School P.T.A.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15**
- 12:15 p.m. Exchange Club
 - 6:30 p.m. Civette Optimists
 - 8:00 p.m. Adult Instruction

Sewage Group

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Health Department. Members of the Committee were requested to survey their respective areas prior to the December 15 meeting in order that tentative boundaries might be set up for the proposed sewage authority.

THE COMMITTEE is also expected to compile preliminary data on area, population, and required services for future discussion with officials of the City of Detroit. It was suggested at the meeting last Tuesday that Detroit might be able to service this area through connection with the city system at Grand River and Six Mile Road. Although the authority would have to construct and maintain the line from Farmington to the point of connection, it was pointed out that this project would be less expensive than the construction and maintenance of a sewage disposal plant.

Bishop To Visit Trinity Church



Rev. Archie H. Crowley

The right Reverend Archie H. Crowley, Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan, will be present for a Confirmation service at Trinity Episcopal Church this Sunday evening at 8:30 p.m.

This is the first visitation of the newly consecrated Suffragan Bishop who was elected last May at a special diocesan convention and was consecrated in September in St. Paul's Cathedral in Detroit.

Formerly the Rector of St. James Church in Grosse Ile, he was the first priest from the diocese to be elected Bishop of the diocese.

Bishop Crowley came to Michigan in 1949 from Lawrence, Massachusetts. He was graduated from Dartmouth College and the Episcopal Theological Seminary. He is married and has two sons.

Goodfellows Set

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as the City and Township Police Departments.

Menke stated that this set will be the amount necessary to take care of the anticipated load this year.

In addition to the regular paper sale, students of the Farmington and Clarenceville School Districts as well as Our Lady of Sorrows Parish will contribute canned and packaged goods during the week of December 13 to 15. The food items will be made into Christmas baskets for distribution by the Goodfellows.

Persons knowing of needy families in the Farmington area are requested to file their names at the city or township offices or with their local minister or school superintendent.

Is the man whose childhood has known a disease as kindness there is always a fibre of memory that can be touched to gentle issues.

Travel Speaker

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hubs and out to its creation. The trip will also include a view of the mountain under the sea plus a close-up of the jewels of the ocean, the sea shells. Exciting action will bring variety to the tour when a Seminole brave wrestles with an alligator and a playful porpoise stages an underwater ballet.

This film has been astounding the natives of Florida, for few of them seem to know the unusual delights of the fascinating state as the famous Kenn and Bertie Button bring them to the screen. Tickets for the travel program will be sold at the door of the high school auditorium the evening of the performance.

FIVE GENERATIONS

Five generations gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hill, 33105 Grand River, recently to celebrate the 86th birthday of Mrs. Cora Casey.

The five generations in order are: Mrs. Casey, Mrs. Albert Noffke, Lawrence Hill, Joyce Ann Douglas and Nancy Paula Douglas.

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Five Injured

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requiring only treatment by a local physician.

The two other personal injury accidents occurred Monday afternoon within a half hour of each other, the first shortly after 4:00 p.m. at Orchard Lake and Thirteen Mile and the second at 4:30 p.m. at Northwestern and Middlebelt.

Injured in the crash on Orchard Lake was Harvey A. Aldrich of Farmington. Lacerations about the forehead were not serious. Aldrich was traveling south on Orchard Lake Road when a vehicle driven by Elizabeth McKinley of Detroit pulled directly in front of him from Thirteen Mile Road.

In a similar accident at Northwestern and Middlebelt around 4:30 p.m., Francis R. Viskin and James Powers, both of Pontiac, were injured slightly. Viskin received minor chest and arm injuries and Powers bruises about the legs. According to a police report, the Powers auto failed to stop at the Northwestern intersection while traveling north on Middlebelt and was hit by a vehicle traveling southeast in Northwestern.

Nationally, loans to farmers increased 41 per cent from July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1954.

Bean Prices Will Be Up Due To Late Fall Rains

Growers of pea, or navy, beans in Michigan will look at the price outlook with mixed reactions, predict MSC farm economists.

The supply of beans is short and the price will be higher than last year. On the other hand they will have fewer to market. The late fall rains caused an estimated \$10 million loss.

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IT'S TUESDAY AGIN:

So here we sit - scratchin' our head - tryin' to think of something interesting to talk about. Didcha pick up yer calendar yet? We have those same "boys" that we had last year - so if yuh want one all yuh gotta do is ask fer it. Then we have a nice lot of things here fer Christmas - like some boxed chocolates and all kinds of hard candies and some awful cute dolls that the price is right on and gift wrapping paper and cards and seals and some holiday dinner napkins and cocktail napkins and candles and just all kinds of stuff like that there. If yuh can't find whatcha want anyplace else - try us - we might even have it. If yuh want to start stockin' up fer yer Christmas dinner we have some Defiance cranberry sauce, whole or strained, 2 cans fer 39c. Speakin' of stockin' we got some Christmas stockings with bells on 'em yet! With that guess we'd better git back to the meat department and see what they've got to offer. Know fer sure that they would like to have yer poultry order pretty quick now. Then they have some blade roasts from U. S. choice beef fer 49c a lb. or the shank end of a smoked ham fer 59c a lb. They say these hams are ready-to-eat just as they are. Seems to me like the guys kinda wantcha to eat a good breakfast cause they have 1 lb. packages of baby link sausage fer 59c and our own bulk pork sausage fer 39c a lb. Our own is 100% pure pork - there aint a bunch of goop added. Of course we'll have Vlasic butter fer 59c a lb. and our own whole bean coffee what yuh gotta grind fer 89c a lb. How's that fer a nice low figger?

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