

**Dan Goodrich Slated To Sail For Germany**  
Pvt. Dan J. Goodrich, son of Mrs. B. D. Goodrich of 23025 Maple Avenue, is scheduled to leave the United States for Germany next month as part of Operation Gyro-scope, the Army's unit rotation plan, it was disclosed this week.  
Goodrich is a member of the 532nd Field Artillery Observation Battalion, now stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, which will replace the 529th Field Artillery Observation Battalion in Europe.  
Goodrich, a survey instrument operator in the battalion's Battery A, entered the Army in November, 1955, and completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He attended Albion College.  
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### PUBLIC LETTER BOX



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### Race Track Revenue Not Enough

To the Editor:  
Much has been said about the possible tax money that Farmington Township may get if a race track is located here. Rosy pictures of money for sewers, water, and roads have been painted.  
According to Mr. Gregory, one of the promoters of the race track, the proposed track is for harness racing only. This will not bring in any \$500,000 to the community. According to Mr. James Inglis, racing commissioner for the state of Michigan, the tax on harness racing is 4% instead of 6% as on thoroughbred racing. Moreover, betting is not as heavy on harness races.  
There are only two strictly harness tracks in Michigan—one in Northville and one in Jackson, Michigan. Last year the pari-mutuel return to Northville was \$89,464 and to Jackson \$26,053, Mr. Inglis stated. How far will these returns go toward repairing the wear and tear on the roads due to race track traffic, because of the track? It seems to me that the cost to the community of road repair alone necessitated by the race track will far exceed any potential revenue from the track.  
The race track traffic will not be confined to Grand River Avenue or the Cut-Off. It will be coming down Twelve Mile Road, Ten Mile Road, Eight Mile Road, Middlebelt and Orchard Lake Roads. According to Hazel Park police, race track fans are inclined to take side roads to try to find a short cut to beat the traffic.

What about the safety of our children with all this extra traffic in the community, especially during the summer months when so many are playing outside? Is any amount of money worth jeopardizing their safety?  
Last Monday evening, the Bond School PTA presented a film, "Dangerous Stranger," warning boys and girls not to take rides or go off with people they didn't know. Yet it is proposed to bring a race track into Farmington which will attract all sorts of strangers. It just doesn't make good sense.  
Many of us moved to Farmington because it was a community in which we could bring up our children away from the noise and traffic and other disadvantages of the city.  
The location of a race track in Farmington Township will mean three tracks in the radius of a few square miles—Livonia, Farmington and Northville. Is this desirable? I doubt it. There are only four race tracks in the entire state of Michigan at present and three are in the Detroit area; Livonia, Hazel Park and Northville. A harness racing track at Jackson is the only other track in the state. Surely there are other locations that would be more suitable than Farmington for a fifth race track.  
Very sincerely yours,  
Margaret G. Schaeffer

**Disputes Action**  
Dear Sirs:  
Well the School Board did it! While all the pro and con writing was going on on the subject of who should and who should not ride the Public School bus system, I kept saying smugly, "Why worry? Of course the School Board with its intelligent members could never be bigotted. They are all well educated, and people with common sense."  
How wrong can one be! And how naive! My eyes have been opened with a jolt, and it hurts! I did not attend the meeting at which the final decision was made. The article in The Enterprise gave the picture clearly and concisely as to how said meeting was handled. Disgracefully! It becomes horribly clear that bigotry and only bigotry could have been the basis of the four opposing votes.  
It does not say much for the great progress we hear so much about in this "our" community of Farmington.  
Sincerely,  
Mrs. John Finnenen  
24410 Farmington Road  
Farmington, Michigan

### Disputed Action

To Editor and All People of the Farmington School District:  
Are you very proud of your School Board? Many of you are relieved because of their decision not to provide transportation for children in parochial schools.  
Wasn't it marvelous how the board managed to put democracy out the door? Wasn't it wonderful how they sacrificed all of five minutes of their valuable time in which were presented facts and figures which the Board had requested in order to study the request?  
Then they closed their ears and minds during the five minutes so as not to let their pre-conceived ideas and prejudices be confused by the truth, and then voted negatively. They have demonstrated their intelligence, fairness, and sense of justice. They can overlook state laws, forget Supreme Court rulings and remember only unrelated prejudices and unfounded charges.  
Thank God, I can exercise my right as an American and choose the school to which I wish to send

have that much more of the teacher's time and will become that much better educated. Your attitude, as seen by the recent controversy, is not a healthy one for either of our school systems.  
Suppose we who choose not to send our children to public schools took the same attitude and stopped supporting your schools? You say, "But you have no choice; you must pay taxes." True, but we don't have to vote to raise money for more schools. We could reason like this: "These schools won't do us any good. Why should we vote to float a bond issue to provide them. It will be paid for with our taxes. We've already got enough to pay the expenses of schools and transportation we'll never use."  
It happens that most of us don't feel that way so you'll keep on building and maintaining schools with our money. We believe that schools are second only to parental guidance in building a child's character. It is important to our country, our community and, indeed, our families that every child receives the best possible education. I am sure that my children will receive that type of education. You parents who subject the public schools in which to educate your children — are you as sure? Don't you think a little cooperation, understanding and a reasonable outlook could help im-

prove them?  
Can you imagine what it is like to be denied what the law says is your right, to be pushed into a position of second-class citizenship in a country founded on the principle of equality for all? Think it over, people of Farmington.  
Still can vote, Mrs. Raymond Esper  
**Doctor Too Busy**  
Gentlemen:  
We wonder why a busy doctor — and aren't they all overburdened today — has agreed to become a candidate for election to the Farmington School Board.  
We wonder if a busy, overburdened doctor can devote the necessary time and thought to the increasing problems faced by the School Board.  
In a day and age when it is often difficult for many to get prompt medical advice, could our School Board reasonably expect a busy professional man to attend to its many regular and special meetings?  
Finally, we wonder why an overburdened doctor whose children do not choose to attend the Public Schools has quite suddenly become so concerned with the many time-consuming problems faced

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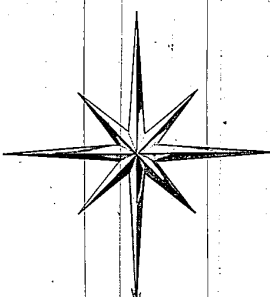
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Recently, a neighbor complained—asked if she couldn't get the milk "at cost." Dad agreed, sent her a bill for exactly what the milk cost: 75¢ a quart.  
From where I sit, it's easy to misunderstand if you don't get all the facts. That's why we ought to consider the other fellow's viewpoint before we talk out. For example, you have your reasons for liking particular beverages. I have mine. And whether we're talking about butter-milk or beer... let's try to respect each other's point of view.  
Joe Marsh

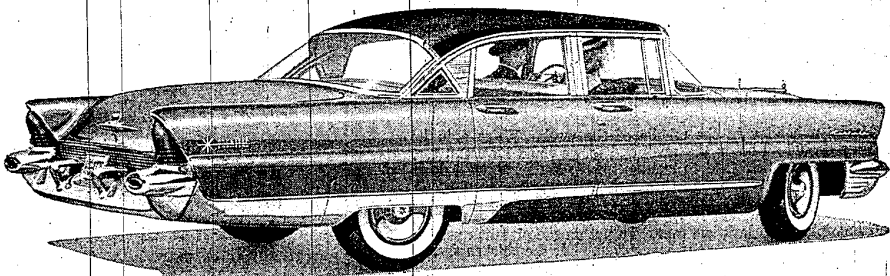
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