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It's Our Opinion:

EDITORIALS:

The Latest Report . . .

on the status of the proposed Farmington Sewer Interceptor is surprising to say the least. City and Township officials as well as the Enterprise were under the impression that the project was as dead as a chilled mackerel.

Then last Tuesday officials of the State Health Department advised both the City and Township that the Interceptor project was still very much alive. They stated that the City of Detroit has sufficient sewer capacity available to take care of areas outside of the City of Farmington. Several weeks ago a direct statement was released, apparently as a result of a misunderstanding, that no areas other than the City of Farmington could be serviced at the present time.

Unfortunately, the proposed sewer interceptor program has been seriously delayed and hampered by conflicting impressions and confusion. The latest report from representatives of the State Health Department may help to clear the air a little but it is almost too late. The City of Farmington is compelled to let construction contracts by July 5. This means that if any cooperative effort is to be realized it must be done in a matter of days. The suggestion that the interceptor outlet be extended to the Southfield Road connection makes sense, but we wonder why it wasn't proposed before by either the State or the County? City officials were under the impression that the Hassell or Livernois outlets were the only ones available, thus plans were approved by the State for the Hassell connection.

Now that the picture has been clarified we believe the Township should take the initiative in securing commitments for at least a portion of this available sewer capacity. This should be done regardless of what develops in connection with the City main. Since the matter is in the hands of the County Drain Commissioner, the effort should be directed through his office. Once these commitments are secured, a definite program of planning can be started. We sincerely hope that the period of confusion regarding this project is now over and that we can begin to get on the road toward our common objective.

What Would Happen . . .

if an official ultimatum was served on the effect that your vote would not be accepted this year? If we are any judge of good American character, you would be beating on plenty of government doors in anger and protest.

Yet what about those of you who haven't bothered to get your name in the registration books of your city or township? In effect you are serving an ultimatum on yourself, because if you aren't registered you can't vote. In a democracy nobody can force you to register and vote. It is entirely up to you. However, the price of complacency at the polls on election day can be pretty costly and disastrous.

The benefits of citizenship aren't something that is just handed to us on a silver platter. With them come a responsibility and an obligation we must accept. Part of that responsibility is to exercise our rights and privileges as voters. When we ignore that obligation we weaken the very foundation of our democracy. You say that one or two uncast votes would not make any difference anyway? Don't minimize your importance! Plenty of elections have been decided on a handful of votes and besides it's your duty as an individual citizen.

So, if you're not registered, do it today! Remember the deadline is Monday, July 9, for the August 7th Primary and you can't vote if you aren't registered. Don't let yourself out of the voting booth on election day!

Saying What You Think . . .

may be an admirable quality in most places but down Washington way it's just the opposite as Secretary of Defense Wilson can testify. The Secretary is used to speaking his mind and in political circles that just isn't done. There are too many "word-twisting" experts hanging around waiting for a sentence to come floating their way.

Mr. Wilson is finding out the hard way why so many politicians spend years learning the art of evasion. They don't say anything, but they keep out of trouble that way.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

CHURCH OF GOD  
20344 Shiloh Road at Middlebelt  
Sunday Services, 11 a.m., 8 p.m.  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

FARMINGTON  
ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Grand River at Middlebelt  
Sunday Services, 11 a.m., 8 p.m.  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST  
Grand River at Cambridge  
Sunday Services 8:45, 11:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Rev. Elsie Johns

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST  
Sunday Services 9:30, 11:40 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dr. G. Northrup GR. 4-2988

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Worship Services at 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery School maintained during the worship hour.  
Rev. Carl Schults GR. 4-6880

FOREST HILLS  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
12 Mile east of Orchard Lake Road  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.  
Rev. Lloyd Shue GR. 4-1543

OUR LADY OF SORROWS  
2825 Powers Road  
Sunday Masses, 7:30, 9:30, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, Holy Days, 8 a.m.  
Daily, 6:30, 8 a.m.  
Fr. T. Beahan GR. 4-6720

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST  
Grand River at Oxford  
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m.  
Sabbath Services 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer - 7:30 p.m.

ORCHARD METHODIST  
18 Mile Road at Greening  
Sunday Services 11 a.m.  
Church School 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. J. L. Smith LI-8010

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road  
Sunday Services 8:30, 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday School and Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Rev. W. Rutkowski GR. 4-6676

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
28500 Grand River  
Sunday Services 8:30, 11 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
In Stuckey Chapel, 28500 Farley.  
Rev. V. Halbach

TRINITY EPISCOPAL  
28800 Lakeside Drive  
8 Mile North of 11 Mile between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt Rds.  
Sunday Service - 10 a.m.  
Rev. J. B. Gorman GR. 4-3374

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
28185 Farmington Rd. at 11 Mile  
Sunday Service, 10:00 a.m.  
Church School at same time.  
Rev. R. Geiger GR. 4-1671

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH  
Seven Mile and Eastland Rds.  
Sunday Services, 9:30 a.m.  
All Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship 6, 7 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY  
31122 Indian Road  
Sunday Services 11:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 10 a.m., 7:45 p.m.

ROYI BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sunday Services 10:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 11:30 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
OF LIVONIA  
Inkster Road  
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH  
33325 Grand River Ave.  
Sunday Service, 11 a.m., Township Hall.  
Sunday School, 11 a.m., and Wednesday Service, 8 p.m., both at 33325 Grand River Avenue, corner of Liberty Street.

CHURCH OF CHRIST  
West Point Park  
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Wednesday, 8 p.m.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH  
Rev. W. Kellison 23604 Warner  
Sunday Service 11:15 a.m.  
Church School at same time.

KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST  
14000 Middlebelt Road  
Worship Services: 11 a.m., 4:30 p.m.  
Bible School at 10:00 a.m.  
R. C. Grandell GR. 4-1731

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
Grand River at Warner  
Rev. Russell Suraw, 23230 Cass  
Church Office: GR. 4-6573  
Parsonage: GR. 4-7568  
Worship Services, 9:15 a.m.  
Church School (through Junior Dept.) 9:15 a.m.

BETHLEHEM MISSIONARY  
ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
8900 Middlebelt Road  
Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 7:45 p.m.  
Rev. J. J. Traub GA. 1-9140

GALLILEAN BAPTIST  
V.F.W. Hall - 25245 Seven Mile  
Worship Services: Sunday, 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Y. P., 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m., nursery provided.  
Rev. Herbert Noe KE. 5-2273

WARD MEMORIAL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Lincoln School - Livonia  
West of Farmington Road on Amburst, North of Five Mile Road  
Worship, 9 a.m.; Bible School, 10:15 a.m.



"LOSS" OF GOOD FARM LAND to suburban home development

is a growing problem as Michigan continues to foster a rapid industrial expansion.

Three-quarters of a million acres of farmland in the state were put to other uses between 1942 and 1956, according to the U. S. Soil Conservation Service. And this process of "swallowing up" farmland is accelerating, Edmund V. Alchin, State Extension Service community development specialist, points out.

Most affected are rural areas near cities. In addition to new industries, new employees must find housing. Since many prefer to build, the best available space is on farm lands within driving distance of the city.

A recent survey in Saginaw County showed that in 1955, 35,000 acres of rural land have been lost, primarily to suburban developments. The survey predicts there will be virtually no agriculture remaining in Saginaw Township by 1970.

Population growth throughout the state is one of the biggest factors in expanding "suburbia." Michigan's population has increased by 38 per cent since 1940, according to the Detroit Board of Commerce. This is the biggest gain recorded by any industrial state in the nation.

The Board estimates there are now 7,266,500 Michigan residents. This figure has grown by 155,000 annually since 1949.

Township increases as high as 300 per cent are reported in the Saginaw survey. This pattern repeats itself in other suburban areas.

A "dilemma" is facing the farmer. As suburban developments expand near his property he must resist selling his land at prices far above normal if he wishes to continue farming.

On the other hand, if he continues to farm, "suburbia" forces him to meet new and higher taxes on his property. As schools and community services expand he often must face a growing tax burden.

The best farmland is often first to be industrialized or platted into home development lots. Level land offers lower construction costs and less water and drainage problems.

A partial solution to the problem is offered by conservation experts. They suggest community planners consider capabilities of land in planning urban expansion.

There is a considerable amount of sub-marginal farm land in Michigan that can provide good, well-drained property for residential building. Use of such land, they point out, would offer more homesites without making inroads on the state's agricultural output.

Tempo is increasing among cities making plans to seek benefits of the proposed St. Lawrence Seaway.

Sault Ste. Marie hopes to incorporate its Industrial Executive Board as a non-profit foundation and raise \$100,000 to promote industrial expansion. Traverse City with a similar plan already functioning reports considerable success.

A preliminary study of the needs of Escanaba harbor by the U. S. Army Engineers is planned. Funds for the survey were approved by U. S. Senate committee on appropriations at the request of Senator Charles E. Potter. Joint Senate and House conference committees are expected to accept the request. The study is proposed for 1957.

A three-fold program for promoting industrial development is underway at Ironwood. Active participation will come from the city, Chamber of Commerce and the Ironwood Industrial Development Corp. The hope is to promote new industry through an active advertising campaign, help in locating possible industrial sites, and financial assistance.

A municipal wharf has been established in Port Huron. Here too, an Industrial Development Corporation is busy attracting new industry.



THE FIFTH COLUMN

Among the three chief factors which have altered our nation and its way of life in jeopardy, individual apathy should rank first, the Communist Fifth Column second, and the Red military threat third. In our last two columns we have pointed out the danger of inertia of American citizens and have discussed the astounding growth of Red Russia's strength - in territory taken over, in people enslaved, in resources. And now - the Fifth Column.

The Fifth Column is like a malignant disease attacking the body of our nation - largely hidden and seldom properly shaped. When it seizes that the American people are going to awaken to its dangers and stamp it out, it changes its appearance like a chameleon and many people are fooled again. Today the Fifth Column is working behind a carefully erected fog of respectability. It is working to create a series of events in America by leading unthinking people into actions detrimental to our security.

Organized in 1918 the first Communist cell in America was organized in Chicago in 1919. Since that time the Communists have penetrated every important segment of American society - education, religion, labor, industry, government, the movies, the press, and so forth. And the results of these penetrations have been staggering. It is now known, for instance, that the influence of the Fifth Column, in the Institute of Pacific Relations and elsewhere, is a dominant factor in the loss of China.

History will no doubt record that the loss of China to the Reds was America's worst defeat. This paved the way for the Korean War, its terrible cost and the final tragic compromise with the worldwide evil that calls itself Communism. An unbroken array of American top military leaders who served in Korea have now testified before Congressional Committees that sinister forces were at work in this country manipulating decisions which overruled what was best for America in Korea - giving, in each instance, a victory to the Reds!

Other Examples  
It is now known that Harry Dexter White in the Treasury Department was the architect of the Morgenthau Plan demanding unconditional surrender of Germany, an action which put the Russians into East Germany, put Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia and others behind the Iron Curtain and made the Russians so secure in Europe that they could then concentrate on Asia. This resulted in the loss of China and the Korean War. And Attorney General Herbert Brownell has identified White as one of the most strategic Communist agents in America.

It is now known that Alger Hiss was stealing American secrets for the Communists at the very time he was shaping the organization of the United Nations so that Communist Russia would expand its power, its world prestige and its American base of spy operations. Just last week, testimony was brought out identifying two Russian officials of the U.N. Delegation as active spies in America, recruiting an espionage corps, offering tempting big money payments for aid in their damaging work.

Stamp Out Evil  
The Fifth Column today so greatly agitating and aggravating the race problem in the U.S. In fact the Reds seek to create trouble over any question, anywhere. (Continued on Page 4B)

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (July 9, 1931)

Township Hall  
That Farmington Township may be able to use the Town Hall for Board meetings, elections and other public business despite the fact that it is located inside the city limits was indicated last week by the attorney engaged in the Town Hall ownership suit. Suit to determine ownership is ready for hearing, it was indicated. Farmington Township, the City of Farmington and the Farmington Masonic Lodge all claim partial ownership of the building. If the court should even give the Township partial use of the building it would be determined of great assistance by many in the Township. Meetings of the Township Board are now being held at the home of the clerk. Records are also being kept there.

School Taxes  
A judgment of \$677.27 was awarded School District No. 1 Fractional of Farmington Township last week against the Township in Circuit Court in Pontiac. The judgment is for 1928 taxes collected by the Township for the School District but not turned over to it. Six or seven other districts in the Township may have a joint suit against the Township for back taxes collected but not turned over to them.

TEN YEARS AGO (July 12, 1946)  
School Election  
In one of the closest contests in the history of the Farmington Schools, Paul R. Schreiber and Frank Labadie were elected to the Board of Education. Schreiber received 326 votes and Labadie 294. Only nine votes separated Labadie from Prescott Schlotterbeck, running third with 285 votes. Daniel McLean, fourth candidate, ran only 11 votes behind Schlotterbeck. All three proposals presented to the voters lost by a considerable margin. Teachers' tenure, levying of a five mill tax, and the proposal to exceed the 15 mill tax limitation all lost by approximately two to one margins.

FIVE YEARS AGO (July 12, 1951)  
School Board  
Curt Hall was unanimously elected president of the Farmington School Board at an organizational meeting Monday night. Bayard Tupper and Samuel Turner were re-elected as treasurer and secretary, respectively. Following the reorganization the Board established a tax levy of 12 mills for the 1951-52 year. This is 1 mill higher than the tax levy last year. A record budget of \$480,860, about \$89,500 higher than the budget set last year, was approved.

Fire Hall Sites  
An inspection of possible sites for additional fire stations in the Township Board meeting Tuesday evening. The Board has already indicated that two additional fire stations will be established. It has been suggested by the Michigan Inspection Bureau that stations be located in the northeast and southeast sections of the Township where population is heaviest.

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH  
Pastor: GEORGE H. TWEEED  
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.  
MIDDLEBELT SCHOOL, 10 Mile and Middlebelt Road  
NEED TRANSPORTATION? - Call LI 13594  
EVERYONE WELCOME

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH  
21405 Farmington Road  
Corner Colfax (8 1/2 Mile Road)  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Youth Groups - 6:15 p.m.  
Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Evening Service - 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Midweek Service - 7:30 p.m.  
FRANK B. SMITH, Pastor

Franklin Community Church  
On Franklin's Village Green  
The Township will be conducted next Wednesday at the Township Board meeting Tuesday evening. The Board has already indicated that two additional fire stations will be established. It has been suggested by the Michigan Inspection Bureau that stations be located in the northeast and southeast sections of the Township where population is heaviest.

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