

'In Our Opinion . . .

A Proposal For Disposal

Found outside the ruined walls of an ancient Roman city was a sign which said "Take your refuse farther or you will be fined." Though they nearly conquered the world, the Romans didn't know what to do with their cast-offs, either.

Some inventive soul, back in man's dim past, found a vacant lot where he could dispose of the bones and entrails of his latest meal; others began to follow his example and lo, a dump was born.

To some degree, the problem has plagued man ever since. Statistics show that a population of 30,000 must get rid of 22,500 tons annually. A rather complicated formula reaches the conclusion that a locality of this size will need 12 acres per year of landfill space.

Just a little research will dispel the fears that this has to be an objectionable feature of the landscape. All kinds of equipment and processes exist to combat the evils inherent in the system.

Two methods of disposal are now almost universally practiced: Incineration and the sanitary landfill. In some European countries, and in San Francisco, California, refuse is being composted to be used as a soil conditioner, but so far not too many American communities see the economic value of this method. It depends upon the market for the resulting soil conditioner, obviously.

A Swiss engineer from Zurich reports that "Almost without exception, European incinerators employ water walls and boilers to transform combustion chamber heat to steam." The municipality then sells the steam to nearby

plants for heating or conversion into power.

We mention these possibilities not because they are practical for a community such as Farmington, but to show that wherever a challenge exists, the mind of man, still by far the best computer (they're discovering that the electronic kind can't even play a decent game of chess) will find a way to meet it.

If this takes us too far into the realm of fantasy, let's get back to the matter of Mr. and Mrs. Householder. Their solution to trash disposal does not lie in packing the family debris into the station wagon and depositing it in a vacant field during the dark of the moon. This, in fact, is in deliberate disobedience of a Township ordinance the penalty for which is a fine of \$100, 90 days in jail, or both.

It seems incredible in an area where the residents are blessed with reasonably high IQ's that this activity persists, yet it does.

It is not done because no alternative exists. Periodic notices appear that on certain days the more unwieldy articles such as heavy appliances will be picked up; they can surely be stored until then.

If the mountain is getting too high between weekly or monthly collections, two very simple helps exist to decrease it. Remove both ends from that can of soup and squash it flat. Place bottles in a heavy swaddling of canvas or something similar and smash them to smithereens.

Volia! There is at least six times more space and the bottle smashing has done wonders for any latent "aggressions."

Welcome Mat Out For "Drop-INS"

The word "dropouts" has recently been coined to designate those who have left high school without completing the required number of courses, and therefore without receiving diplomas.

Unfortunately the term has become synonymous with "delinquency" in the minds of some people. This just isn't true. There are many very good reasons why people have not been able to complete their high school education — illnesses, financial difficulties, and family problems are but a few of them.

These people are the ones that the Farmington Public Schools Adult Education program is trying to reach. The High School Diploma program is especially designed and offered to make possible the earnings of a diploma by those adults who wish to do so. (Out-of-school youth, with recommendations of a secondary principal may also attend the classes.)

Enthusiasm has been high in all of the nearly 50 classes being offered by the adult education program, but those who decide to "go back" and earn a high school diploma are probably the most enthusiastic of all.

Some of the students have been reluctant to admit that they have not

completed high school; but after enrolling in the courses, they have been surprised and relieved to find that there are many others just like themselves.

With today's nationwide emphasis on education, those who have not completed high school are constantly reminded of the fact and have been embarrassed about going "back to school." This attitude is wrong.

The diploma seeker is welcomed with genuine enthusiasm by teachers and fellow students. The State of Michigan welcomes them by its support of the program — There is no tuition fee for those who are working for credit towards a diploma. The only cost to students is a nominal rental fee for books and materials.

Those who are seeking advancement in careers, or those who just want the personal satisfaction of earning a high school diploma should take advantage of the opportunity being provided right here in Farmington.

The program is not designed for "dropouts." It is designed for what might better be called "drop-INS" — and that is just what people should do. Drop in, sign up, and take home that diploma!



GIOVANNI ZIBETTI, exchange student from Italy, paid a return visit to his Farmington host family this summer. He poses with his American "mother" Mrs. Ellis Lockwood.

AFS Student From Italy Revisits Yankee 'Home'

"It's good to be back," said Giovanni Zibetti, 1964 American Field Service Exchange Student at Farmington High. Giovanni visited his American brothers this week—John and Gary Lockwood and their parents Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lockwood, at 24496 Wisteria.

He came from his home in Turin, Italy in July to visit a friend in South Carolina who had been an AFS American Abroad in the Zibetti home.

Giovanni had his first job as a counseling job in a YMCA Camp in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

He said he thoroughly enjoyed this summer experience. Before coming to Farm-

ington, he accompanied another friend on a canoe trip in Minnesota for a week.

Giovanni is a member of a truly AFS family. He and his two brothers have all been exchange students, and they have had three Americans Abroad spending different summers with them in the Italian home. Further ties have been made between America and Italy when several members of the Zibetti boys' American host families have visited their home in Turin. The Lockwoods hope to make this trip some day.

SINCE HIS RETURN to Italy in 1964, Giovanni has spent two years at the Polytechnic Institute in Turin studying Electrical Engineering. He expects to have his degree in three more years. To earn spending money he tutors his fellow countrymen in the English language.

His year in this country at the Lockwood home gave him the needed experience for this interest. He has also been working on the AFS Returnees Committee, interviewing prospective students for AFS Scholarships in America.

In the few days he was here, he was many of his old friends, members of the AFS Adult Committee, and he also paid a visit to Farmington High School to see Mr. Geiger and Mr. Graham and some of the faculty members. Some day he hopes to return for another visit—because it seemed "So good to be back."

Defense Unit To Sponsor New Survivor Course

The Farmington Township Civil Defense Unit in conjunction with Oakland County is again sponsoring a new Survival Training Course in the Farmington area.

The 12 week course begins Thursday, Sept. 22, in room 209 of East Junior High at 8 p.m. The class will meet for 12 consecutive weeks from 8 to 10 p.m. on Thursday evenings.

A medical emergency training course will provide medical training in survival and disaster.

This is not a first aid class as the training that enrollees will receive is far more advanced than a home nursing or other comparable program.

Those who participate will find the training useful not only during the event of a major disaster, but for treating car and home accidents as well as sickness in the family, according to the civil defense spokesman.

In the case of an enemy attack participants in the course will be able to provide better care for their family and neighbors as well as assist registered nurses in their work.

A registered nurse will conduct the class aided by films and other training aids. There is no charge for the course nor are exams given. A certificate is provided for those completing the session.

Specific topics which will be covered in the class include: Basic medical disaster plans; shock, burns; first aid—psychological and physical; intravenous techniques; emergency birth; radiation and fallout; biological and chemical warfare; home protection; emergency sanitation; and medical aspects of the shelter program.

For further information or to register, the number to call is GR. 4-9147.

ENGAGEMENTS



MR. AND MRS. Ralph C. Slade of Peppermill Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Lee, to Kenneth A. Banks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Banks of Cloverdale Avenue, Sandi is a senior at Michigan State University and is presently teaching on the M.S.U. Elementary Intern Program. Ken is a senior at Wayne State University where he is President of Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity. Both are 1963 graduates of Farmington Senior High. A July wedding is planned.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO THE OWNERS OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LANDS:

LOTS 224 THRU 240, FLORAL PARK SUBDIVISION
LOTS 341 THRU 378, FLORAL PARK SUBDIVISION
LOTS 509 THRU 526, FLORAL PARK SUBDIVISION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, has caused to be prepared Special Assessment Rolls to defray the cost of constructing asphalt pavement sixteen (16) feet wide with grading and drainage on the following described alleys:

VIOLET TO LILAC
LILAC TO FLORAL
NINE MILE TO HAWTHORNE

Said Special Assessment Rolls are on file with the City Clerk and are available for public examination.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Farmington will meet at the City Hall in said City at 8:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on September 19, 1966 for the purpose of reviewing said Special Assessment Roll and giving all interested persons an opportunity to be heard in connection therewith.

TRENA M. QUINN
City Clerk

Sept. 7, 1966

Letters to The Editor

Aldo Vagnozzi, Chairman
Farmington Democratic Club
262 Kilbarran
Farmington, Michigan

Dear Mr. Vagnozzi:

I have succeeded Charles Stevenson as Township Director for the Farmington Township Republican Committee. He referred your recent letter to me. The Farmington Township Republican Committee certainly subscribes to the concept of fair election practices and the Michigan Fair Election Practices Committee will continue to receive our complete support. As we work fully within the policies of the State Committee, and as it is both empowered and equipped to act in Farmington Township, we have no interest in diluting its effectiveness by creating a duplicate unit that would detract from its function.

The letter you cite was not issued by the Farmington Republican Committee. Presumably, several Republican individuals wished to comment on the qualifications of candidates in a spirited party primary contest. Your professed concern over Republican candidates appears intended primarily for your own gains.

We do not intend to submit to you our plans in advance. No strategist would. Interestingly, your letter to Mr. Stevenson reached the press one day before it was delivered to me. . . . too late for comment in the same edition of the community papers."

In summary, the Farmington Township Republican Committee both believes and follows the fine ideal of fair election practices and feels that it is an improper subject for narrow partisan propaganda.

Sincerely,
Thomas S. McMillan,
Director
Farmington Twp.
Republican Com.

Delta Zeta Alums To Hold 1st. Meeting

On Thursday, September 8, Group II of Delta Zeta Sorority will hold its first meeting of the Fall. It will be a Salad Supper at the home of Mrs. Gordon Knapp, 2705 Vermont Drive, Southfield, at 7:30 p.m. Each girl is to bring a salad to serve four to six people, as well as her own dishes and silver. The program for the evening will be Crazy Bridge, a favorite of the group.

For more information, contact Mrs. Edward Martin Jr., 333-5029, or Mrs. James Platt, 476-3081, the co-hostesses. All Delta Zetas in the area are most welcome.

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NOTICE

The Michigan Department of State Highways is calling a public hearing at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 1966, in the Walled Lake High School located at the corner of South Commerce and Oakley Park Roads, Commerce Township, Michigan.

The purpose of this meeting is to explain to interested citizens the location and construction of proposed M-275, from I-496 north to M-59. It is proposed that this facility will be constructed as a limited-access highway.

This meeting is also called in accordance with Section 116c of the Federal Aid-Highway Act of 1956, Section 128 of Title 23, U.S. Code. The meeting is also held to hear testimony from interested citizens regarding the economic effect of this proposed project upon the communities and area involved.

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Looking Back in the Files

5 Years Ago	10 Years Ago	15 Years Ago
SEPTEMBER 7, 1961 Fallout Shelter A temporary bomb fallout shelter will soon be up for public inspection in the parking area of the southeast quadrant of downtown Farmington as the result of action taken by the City Council Tuesday night.	SEPTEMBER 6, 1956 Community House Initial results in the First Annual Membership Drive of the Farmington Community House Association have been labeled as "highly encouraging" by J. Conroy, chairman of the campaign.	SEPTEMBER 6, 1951 Lightning Strikes Three young boys escaped death by minutes early Friday morning when one of the worst electrical storms in recent years hit the Farmington area, sending the Farmington Fire Department out on six calls in four hours.
Colonial City Hall The City Hall will soon be up on a new look of old colonial design outside as the result of action taken by the City Council at its regular meeting Tuesday night.	Foot Bridge The State Highway Department has advised Township officials that they are investigating the possibility of constructing a pedestrian overpass across the Farmington-Brighton Expressway in the vicinity of Parker or Power Road.	Kiwans and Kids It will be a big day for fifty boys and girls of the Farmington area this Saturday, September 8, when they will visit the Michigan State Fair as guests of the Farmington Kiwanis Club.
Geling, Geling, Geling The City police department action last Saturday netted total of \$52.80 mainly on the sale of unclaimed bicycles. Bikes were purchased for prices ranging from 25 cents to \$8.50.	Bounties Paid Hunters and trappers received \$8655 in bounty payments during July, \$1650 more than was paid out by the state for the same period last year.	Boatsford Antiques The Boatsford Inn will exhibit rousin' of Old Farmington at the Town Club's Old Fashioned Tea Party to be held Saturday, September 15, at the Farmington High School Gym.
High Speed New higher speed limits will take effect Friday, Sept. 3 on more than 500 miles of Michigan freeway, including the Farmington to Brighton stretch limits of 65 and 55. The new maximum limits will be 60 during the day and 60 at night.	Bird Battle An adult male goshawk, locked in combat with a crow, was found in Oscoda County. The crow died, but the goshawk suffered head and leg injuries.	Light Goes On Through the combined efforts of the city and the Clarencene School Board, new traffic light has been erected at the intersection of Eight Mile and Middlebelt Roads.

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