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EDITORIALS

Not So Many . . .

is too many when it comes to traffic deaths. One is too many, especially when it can be avoided.

Farmington may not have so many traffic deaths, but there are too many. Farmington is not too big a city, as cities go, but it is big to us. The safety of our children and our grow-ups, too, is of vital importance.

It is up to Farmington's drivers to see that safety on our streets is maintained. Not just one or two percent — but 100 per cent. It is the responsibility of every man and woman that steps behind the wheel of his or her automobile.

Accidents, death, injury and property damage don't just happen. It was because someone forgot! You have seen the result — twisted steel and bodies, pain, suffering and death. Yes, you have seen it happen. But it couldn't happen to you — or could it?

A loaded gun is not a plaything — it kills. SO DOES AN AUTOMOBILE! Accidents are caused by carelessness. Most drivers know the laws. Charging madly through the city, cutting in and out of traffic, crossing yellow lines on the highway, darting through red lights isn't smart. Unless it's smart to lie on a hospital bed for months — automobiles, like loaded guns, are not playthings. They KILL!

We have a way of taking guns away from people who think it's smart to be careless. What about careless drivers? They KILL!

With school out in a few weeks, Farmington's children will be on the streets. Take it easy — think and above all, don't be careless. Let's observe the laws. LET'S LIVE and LET OTHERS LIVE!

The Old Skeleton . . .

in the closet has been dragged out again. It is all about the recent war and who won it. This time it was Russia, and no one has to take a second guess on who started the conversation.

The only discouraging thing about it all is that a lot of fellows in this country spent a lot of time on a lot of front lines working with the idea that they were doing something to help beat down the enemy. Of course most of us know that American fighting men did plenty to win the war. We know that American production furnished the bulk of the tools that enabled the Allies to do the job.

And while we are at it, let's not forget that word Allies. It is something Russia has apparently forgotten. Just to remind her, it is something like cooperation. A group of countries working together. The Allies won the war.

It really isn't very important except for one thing. It is going to take that same cooperation among nations to win the peace. One nation didn't win the war — one nation can't win the peace.

The Unheard Of . . .

has been heard. Union leaders turning down a 25-cent hourly wage increase and signing a contract right on the dotted line.

It is not unusual to have wage offers turned down — that happens every day. Turned down for more and better. But it is news when they are turned down for less or even nothing.

That is just what happened this week in Port Huron, when Union plasterers of Local 10, Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers, A. F. of L., refused to take a 25-cent an hour increase. What's the matter with them? They could get it, sure — it was offered to them. Their answer, "This is our contribution to stabilizing building costs."

Crazy? We don't think so. Not because of 25 cents an hour, but because here is a union that is contributing. Here is a group of men interested in co-operating in the movement to work and to try and keep prices down. Here is a union that knows that uninterrupted work pays more, serves better than inconvenience, delay, and hatreds created and maintained by long, drawn out labor-management struggles.

How much further might we be along the road to progress and better living, if more union leaders would look into the future, as these men have?

Churches

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
 "The Church on the Park"
 Rev. Carl H. Schulz, Pastor
 Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.
 Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

OUR INVITATION
 I love to come to this still place,
 Where deeper peace is always found,
 To kneel as though on holy ground,
 And feel my Master face to face
 do not know how I could live
 If there were not this refuge sweet
 Where I could linger at His feet
 And He to me sweet healing give.
 WELCOME

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH
 Rev. J. H. Sanderson, Pastor
 Evangelist B. Farraun

SUNDAY
 10:00 a.m. Bible School, all ages
 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship
 A series of messages on the present world conditions as seen in how God is working out his plan in this world.

WEDNESDAY
 8 p.m. Prayer and Praise Service.

FRIDAY
 10:11 a.m. Radio Glee Club (high school boys and girls)
 1:30-3:00 p.m. Missionary meeting.
 Services are held in the Church building, 3321 W. Seven Mile Road.

FIRST METHODIST
 Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship
 11:15 a.m. Junior Church and Nursery.

Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
 William Grace School
 Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
 Cambridge and Grand River
 Farmington, Michigan
 Elsie A. Jphns, Pastor

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.
 the pastor preaching.
 Evening Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
 Brethren's Worship at 7:30 p.m.
 Mid-Week Prayer Service on Wednesday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
 J. Scott Green, Minister
 Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
 Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
 "The Friendly Church"
 Rev. Fred R. Fisher, Pastor
 Beginning a series of messages on the Book of Acts. Sermon, "A Second Treatise: O Theophilus!"

Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
 Junior, Senior Adult Unions at 6:30 p.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
 Second message on the Book of Acts, "He Was Taken Up."
 Monday Evening Scout-Troop 13 at 7:15. Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7:30. World Wide Guilds at 7:30.
 Tuesday, Browne Scout Troop 4 at 7:15. Girl Scout Troop 7 at 7:30.

Wednesday, Mid-week Prayer Groups for Juniors, young people, and adults at 8.
 Thursday, Alton McDonald Mission Service at 10:30 a.m. Cub Scout Troop 35 Pack Meeting at 7:30.

Friday, Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.
 Saturday, Mother-Daughter Banquet at 7.

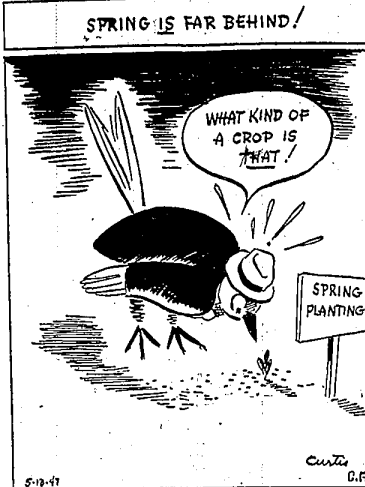
COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH
 Rev. Fred Andrews, Pastor
 Services held in Pioneer School Seven Mile, East of Farmington Rd.

The Community Methodist Church is holding their service in the Pioneer School located at Seven Mile Road east of Farmington Road. Church services and Sunday School classes will be held simultaneously from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Nursery school for children under three. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
 23701 Cass Avenue
 Farmington

11:00 a.m. Morning Services and Sunday School.
 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service.
 Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 ALL ARE WELCOME

OUR LADY OF BOROVS
 Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, Pastor
 10:15, 11:15 and 12:30.
 Holy Day Masses: 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00.
 Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 and 9:00.
 Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.



Washington Digest

Some Cities Talk Housing; Memphis Actually Builds

By BAUKHAGE
 News Analyst and Commentator

(This is the fourth of a series describing how American ingenuity is helping to solve one of America's biggest problems—the G. I. housing shortage.)

WASHINGTON—Thirty-five hundred new homes started in one year is a pretty good record for any fast-developing community — especially when the year is 1946, and the city, Memphis, Tenn., had never started more than 2,400 units a year before. Some two thousand of last year's "starts" were completed in 1946. Now in the spring of 1947 while some communities still talk about going right ahead finishing up the rest of the 1946 starts and undertaking more.

The answer to this old southern city's success in housing lies partly in the cooperative attitude of city officials who are very conscious of the various housing problem, and partly to individual builders who have been willing to make price sacrifices, work long hours and do whatever was necessary to overcome shortage of materials.

Take Wallace E. Johnson for example — a builder who started in December, 1939, to construct one house and who now has to his credit several thousand.

He is devoting all his energy and ingenuity to housing veterans these days. It takes energy and ingenuity too, but this man who, during the war, was completing a house for a war worker every two and a half hours has what it takes.

For example, last September when lumber couldn't be bought for love or money, Johnson bought land with standing merchantable timber and a sawmill camp near Potts Camp, Miss., close to Memphis. This purchase made possible a triple play which has paid off in savings of time and money. Johnson cuts his own timber, hauls it to his own sawmill for sawing, drying and cutting, then hauls it direct to his own building sites in and around Memphis. So much waste is eliminated that left-over lumber

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
 E. L. Stuenkel, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
 Divine Worship at 10:45 a.m.

The question or examination of the confirmation class will be held in this service.

Lutheran Hour broadcast, heard over CLEW at 1:30 p.m.
 Suburban Lutheran Fellowship rally for young people Sunday at 3:15 p.m. in Grace Church, Grand River at Imperial Highway.

Mother's day luncheon banquet at St. Paul's church auditorium Friday, May 16th, at 6:30 p.m.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
 J. H. Remmel, Pastor

Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Services) and 8:00 o'clock Special music and speakers.
 Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

THE WORLD'S MOST RAPIDLY EXPANDING RELIGIOUS BROADCAST
VOICE OF PROPHECY
 Making a Managerial Step to MILLIONS
 SUNDAY
 MUTUAL SYSTEM AND 250 OTHER STATIONS IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE



By GENE ALLEMAN

LANSING — This is "Anti-Inflation" in Michigan.

Sellers of Merchandise are asked by the state legislature to reduce prices.

Source of the idea: The so-called Newburyport (Mass.) plan whereby merchants agreed to cut prices 10 per cent. An unpublished "catch": Fair trade law requires retailers to sell a major of merchandise at prices set by the manufacturer. These prices were exempt from a 10 per cent cut. The Newburyport crusade was a glorified clearance sale, limited to 10 days. Much merchandise sold were surplus goods which had accumulated on shelves and which had to be sold before better grade merchandise could be displayed.

In the opinion of Lew Hahn, president of the National Retail Dry Goods Association, a general spread of the Newburyport plan would lead only to "economic disaster."

It would deprive retailers — and especially small town retailers, he says — of profit needed if they are to remain in business and pay taxes, high operating overhead, like borrowing from Peter to pay Paul, the retail price depends upon the wholesale price. The wholesale price (when merchandise is sold at a profit) is dependent upon the manufacturer's price. The manufacturer's price, in turn, is set by production costs plus a markup to take care of such things as advertising, promotion, taxes, and a dividend return to people who have invested money in the business.

Since the retail price cannot be cut unless other prices are lowered — wholesaler and manufacturer — the fallacy of the Newburyport plan is quite obvious.

President Truman has asked business and industry to take the leadership in cutting prices. At the same time, while the White House is prodding business men to lower the cost of living, the federal government through its labor conciliation service is prodding business men to grant wage increases. So labor costs are going up, once more. General Motors, for example, settled for 15 cents an hour.

Can such a 1947 wage increase be absorbed out of profits without another rise in the retail price? Economists doubt that it can be done. For example, let us assume that 1155 large corporations (whose profits were listed in the April issue of the National City Bank (New York City) would grant a 15-cent hourly wage increase. Assuming that 1947 production was at 1946

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 12, 1922)

Town Given Good Clean Up

This week has been observed in Farmington as "clean up week" and the town has been given a good house cleaning. Alleys and backyards have been cleaned and while there are some which need looking after, the result of the week's effort has been most gratifying. Street Commissioner Arnold has hauled away a lot of rubbish with the Fordson tractor and the two wagons used and it is to be commended for the interest he has taken in cleaning up the village.

Under New Management
 The Pioneer Hotel at Walled Lake will open Wednesday evening, May 17, with a grand dance. Old fashioned dances and the latest as well. Good music and a good time guaranteed. The new managers are Herendeen & Son.

TEN YEARS AGO (May 20, 1937)

Bank Ends Third Year of Service

Having practically reached the million-dollar mark in assets, Farmington State Bank this week celebrated its third anniversary with particular satisfaction to officials, stockholders, and patrons of the institution. In three years since its opening the bank has grown from a rating of \$65,000, which represented its assets on the opening day in 1934, to the present figure of just under one million dollars. The latter figure will be surpassed within the coming week.

\$16,000 PWA Work Plan Near End
 With the finish of the water mains being built on Nine Mile Road to the two dead ends on Power and Brookdale avenues, city of Farmington will see the last of its scheduled Public Works administration projects completed. Work on the series of projects by the city was aided of the W.P.A. represents an investment by the combined agencies of about \$16,000. Started November 4, 1935, the work on the projects has continued, weather permitting, until its present nearly completed stage.

FIVE YEARS AGO (May 14, 1942)

License Jurisdiction Extended

Residents of Farmington Township who formerly had to travel to Pontiac to make application for drivers' licenses now can obtain them from Chief of Police Joseph DeVriendt at the City Hall. Township Supervisor Ernest V. Blanchard has been working for some time on this proposition through the Michigan State police, inasmuch as many Township people found it difficult to get to Pontiac to make application for licenses at a time when the office there was open.

City Commission Passes Blackout Ordinance
 By a unanimous vote the City Commission, at its regular Wednesday evening meeting, passed Farmington's first blackout ordinance. This ordinance, to take effect immediately, calls for the turning of the lights out to exceed \$500 or imprisonment not to exceed 90 days for any violation during a blackout.

Working for Your

Approval

★ Do bankers always want to "have things their own way"? No. That is not our idea.

Of course, we have certain necessary rules for safety which must not be changed by one dot for anybody. But when it comes to service, we think first of your convenience and satisfaction.

We shall welcome any friendly suggestions from you that will help us in our efforts to win your complete approval.



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THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK

Farmington, Michigan



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