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EDITORIALS

Parking Is A Problem . . .

not just in Farmington, but in practically every community in the growing suburban area. It isn't a problem that ends with parking meters or even two free community parking lots. These are steps in the right direction, but it takes many steps sometimes to get from one place to another.

This was impressively brought to our attention last Thursday at a State Highway Safety Seminar held in East Lansing. It was impressive because it was almost a plea, and it came from two men who know what the problem really is. They were from Pontiac, where the parking problem is a big problem.

Now it may seem a long way from Farmington to Pontiac as far as size and scope is concerned. But the problem is just as real and acute to us in its way as Pontiac's problem is to them. The plea was that we recognize the problem now and do something about it while we can and not wait until it's too late.

Plans should be laid now, while property is still available for additional off-street parking. Whether the responsibility for such a program lies with the city or with the merchants is secondary. Both would benefit under such a program and probably both should contribute. The main point is that plans should be laid now.

Consideration should also be given to incorporating in the city's zoning ordinance provisions requiring parking space adjacent to every future business establishment. This will naturally mean additional expense for new businesses, but few can deny that convenient parking space is necessary. In fact, it is probably one of the most vital assets a business can have.

These are practical solutions to a problem we must face in the immediate future. We can benefit by the experience of others and do something about it or we can do it the hard way — the choice is ours!

A Lot Of Words . . .

have been written about a pint of blood, dramatic words that spell life, and yet only you can write the story.

You will have your chance on April 14 and 15 when the Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank visits Farmington. In those two days, many lives will be saved, thanks to you and your neighbors. That few minutes in the blood bank may be the most important few minutes you will ever spend. It certainly will be to some service man in Korea, or some accident victim right here in Farmington, because without that pint of blood they may die.

No, you undoubtedly will never know that soldier or that accident victim, and they will never know you. But is that important? You have saved a life, the greatest contribution any one person can make. Yes, greater than all the money in the world, because even money can't take the place of life-giving blood flowing through human veins.

Words are often times sadly lacking in description and feeling, and so it is now. Only you can turn those words into a heart-warming story — only you can bring a whisper back to silent lips.

New Taxes . . .

are still the golden words that will solve all of the State's problems, or so a great many politicians seem to think.

They either forget or they have never known that there are two elements in operating a business, and the government is, or should be, a business. One has to do with greater revenue and the other has to do with savings through efficient management. To work on just the new revenue end is like a dog chasing his tail, all he does is get dizzy. Apparently the politicians have worked on that end so long they are dizzy too.

There is no easy road to sound financial government — but there is one sure road. It is known as balancing the books by cutting expenses to meet income. It takes courage and common sense — but it works. That is, it works when you really try it. The question is — when are we going to try it?

Churches

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2300 Grand River Avenue
Early Service, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Late Service, 11 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Sunday School, 9:40 a.m., nursery to senior departments.
Divine services at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 8:30 p.m. Sunday over CKLW and at 3:30 p.m. on WXYZ.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River and Warner Avenues
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Mid-week Devotional Service on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
W. 7 Mile, E. of Farmington Rd.
9:45 a.m., Church School.
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship.
10:45 a.m., Nursery, kindergarten and primary Sunday School.
W. S. C. S. on second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Friday Prayer Service, 7:45 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
10:30 a.m. large, enthusiastic Sunday School.
11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship.
6:30 p.m., the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship.
7:30 p.m., the Evening Service.
Every other Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service at 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Midweek Services at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8:30 p.m.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Warner and Thomas Streets
Dr. Frank D. Adams, Minister
Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock
Junior Church, also at 11, Miss Marion Kellogg, superintendent.

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
Stanbury and 12 Mile Roads
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service, at 8 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
2370 Clark Avenue
11:00 a.m. Morning Services and Sunday School.
8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening, Festival Meeting.
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
"What is reality?" is the question which confronts all mankind. This will be discussed in the Lesson-Sermon on the subject "Reality" to be read in all Christian Science churches on Sunday, March 30.

The Golden Text is from Isaiah (63: 3): "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory."

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
21125 Indian Road
10:00 a.m. Bible School.
11:15 a.m. Worship.
Nursery provided.
7:30 p.m. Evening Praise.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., Prayer Fellowship.
Fire Youth Clubs weekly. For free transportation phone SO. 6372.

Gaylord Baptist Church
1518 Gaylord Road
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.
B. Y. F., 6 p.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD
15388 Beech Road
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.
8 p.m. Saturday, Young Peoples Service.

FREE WILL BAPTIST
Grand River at Middlebelt
10:00 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
7:30 p.m., Evening Service.
7:30 p.m. Thursday, prayer service.

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bible School, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
10:30, Morning Worship Service.
Special music by the choir, illustrated children's message.
11:30, Sunday School: Bible study in classes; classes for all ages.
Dance at Sunday School hour the Junior Choir will practice.
7:30, Evening Worship service.

They're Off



As Michigan's political machinery gears up toward the November elections, it is somewhat obscured by the fierce battle for the presidential nomination.

But in this state a new element has been introduced to the strange alchemy which is politics. Michigan Republicans are holding for a constitutional convention.

Doesn't sound too significant — but if a constitutional convention is approved it will be the third time in the state's history such a device has been used to get out from under an otherwise untenable situation.

And the Republicans are roaring that such a situation now is evident. "I mean," says Victor A. Knox (R-Ann Arbor), a vocal speaker of the house of representatives, "how untenable can you get?"

Rep. Knox is the father of House Bill No. 432 which provides that the question of whether a "Concon" shall be called, be put on the ballot next November. The craggy-faced veteran representative, who at 53 rules the house firmly with his history-gavel, says flatly that something must be done to revise the tax structure of the state.

As quoted before in this column, Rep. Knox wants state taxes and local taxes completely divorced as they are at quit being the collection agency for local units.

"The way things are going," he says reflectively, "the general fund just can't keep up with the cost of government and the legislators are not adjusting to this trend because of provisions in the constitution."

The proposed bill he is backing provides for a referendum on the question, election of three delegates from each senatorial district and submitting of any proposed constitution back to the people for approval.

On the other side of the political ledger, however, all the Democrats, who are demanding reappointment before the constitutional convention is considered, Rep. Ed Gray (D-Detroit), says, without batting an eye, "If we had a legislature with guts we could get a lot of this work done without a constitutional convention."

"This is a negative outfit," he says, "and can't live up to the constitution as it stands so they'll want a new one. It's not the Republicans as individuals that condone this situation, but that little policy group which seems to be running the show."

He too is, and has been for years, bucking for reappointment. If the state were reappointed prior to coming to the convention, the Democrats would gain two more senatorial districts — six more delegates to the convention which probably wouldn't throw anything his way.

That is assuming, of course, that anything accomplished in such a constitutional convention would follow party lines. There are those who feel that delegates to such a

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:25 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Sabbath Day at Oxford
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Saturday.
Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday.
8 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meeting.

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All the beauty, tenderness, and goodness of that land, with all the tragedy of hate and violence, were compressed in the brief earthly life of Jesus of Nazareth.

In his life and teaching were compressed all the faith and hope, and goodness that the prophets, saints and heroes of Israel had personified.

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THE WASHINGTON Merry-Go-Round
BY DREW PEARSON

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (March 31, 1927)

To Hold Election
Voters of the City of Farmington will go to the polls and elect a mayor, clerk, treasurer, assessor, justice of the peace and members of the commission. Hottest contest appears to be for the office of mayor. Incumbent Wells D. Butterfield and Fred L. Cook are candidates for the office. Butterfield is standing on his record of the past year while Cook states he will campaign on his record of service to Farmington over the last several years. Running for the City Commission are Emory O. Hutton, Carl G. Hogle, Harrison Johnson, Fred Staman, Amos Otis and Bernard C. Bantfield. Seeking the office of clerk are Nathan H. Fisher and Edward Osmus. Running for treasurer are Hiram G. Nichols and Fred H. Mass. Seeking the assessor's office are Arthur Lamb and Mark Wikom. Justice of the Peace candidates for the four year term are John J. Schulte and William Allen Nelson. Seeking to fill an unexpired Justice of the Peace term are Ernest A. Fink and Ulysses Grace.

TEN YEARS AGO (April 2, 1922)

Attend Rally
Approximately 300 persons gathered in the Farmington High School auditorium Tuesday evening to participate in Farmington's first "I'll Do My Best" rally. The main speaker of the evening was Harold Knight, Detroit attorney and a member of the "I'll Do My Best" committee in the Metropolitan area. He substituted for S. L. A. Marshall, Jr., who was to be the guest speaker. Marshall was unable to attend because of other speaking engagements. Knight, in his address, outlined the purposes of the "I'll Do My Best" movement and told what each person could do to aid in the war effort. He pointed out, "It is time we stopped debating and got down to work."

Furnish Sand
As an added protection against incendiary bombs, the Farmington Citizens Defense Council designated that sand be piled at the fire hall on Liberty Street for civilian use. People are urged to supply their homes and places of business with sand. It is important, however, that persons take only enough sand for their needs and not deprive others. Paul Schreiber and Richard Taylor reported they had attended. Schreiber, chairman of the Industrial Defense Forum in Detroit and Taylor attended the Water conference held in Detroit.

FIVE YEARS AGO (April 3, 1927)

Makes Red Cross Quota
Farmington has gone over the top in its 1947 American Red Cross drive, Howard G. Knickerbocker, chairman of the local campaign, announced Wednesday. Up to Wednesday afternoon \$3,416.41 had been turned over to Knickerbocker. Farmington's quota was set at \$3,360. Knickerbocker stated that the \$3,440.41 was money actually in his hands. He added that there was still a small amount to be turned in. However, Farmington is \$80.41 over its quota now.

Apply For Bonus
Veterans of Farmington City and Township, along with veterans from all over the state, are filling out application blanks for veterans' bonuses this week in Farmington. Veterans may obtain blanks at either the City Hall or the Farmington State Bank.

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