

EDITORIALS:

It's Our Opinion

A Lot Has Been Said . . .

in this column during the past few years about planning. Many have undoubtedly wondered, "Why the emphasis and the repetition?" It isn't a red hot issue with lots of attention and appeal. In fact, it's a rather indefinite and speculative subject. But it is our opinion that planning is the most vital problem facing the Farmington community today!

It is a problem because of its apparent lack of recognition, not only by public officials but by the citizenry as well. We don't mean to infer that no planning is being done or that our officials are opposed to it. We do mean, however, that too little attention is being paid to this important problem. Planning is not an easy task. It is an intangible subject based on a lot of "ifs" and "buts". However, with careful study and foresight, a blueprint can be created which is not only real but progressive.

The city has made some advancement in developing the future through the creation of a planning commission. However, this in itself is not enough. Closer coordination and a broader outlook of the entire future growth is essential. We must look beyond next year and the year after and we must consider the whole scope of services and facilities which make up a community. The city is faced with many immediate problems which, of course, require first attention, but we cannot minimize the future, which is full of even greater problems.

The situation is even more serious in the township where no planning commission exists and where the growth and development is moving at an even greater rate than the city. Many of the problems existing in the township today could have been avoided had there been planning yesterday. This will be even more true in the immediate future, unless some definite steps are taken. Roads, water, sewers, public facilities and services must be planned now if they are to become a reality tomorrow.

The key to this entire program rests in the hands of the citizens. If we are to protect our investment . . . if we are to enjoy an orderly growth and development . . . if we are to build the kind of community we can be proud of . . . we must recognize the importance of planning and take an active part in it. There is no substitute for public interest.

We've Been Reading . . .

a great deal lately about the problems of juvenile delinquency. Some of the stories have been shocking, to put it mildly.

Fortunately, the Farmington community has been fairly free of incidents involving our boys and girls. This hasn't been entirely an accident. A lot of time and effort has been expended by a great many people in behalf of our youth. The Little League and Babe Ruth League, the Farmington and Clarenceville Recreation programs, Boy Scout and Girl Scout activities, and special youth programs by our service clubs are some examples.

These programs have not only served to entertain and train our boys and girls but they have given them a feeling of importance in the community. However, we must not rest on our accomplishments, nor if we are to continue building good citizens. We must join with our sons and daughters in these public activities. We must show them that we are both interested and proud of them.

We need not worry about delinquency . . . as long as we are not delinquent ourselves.

Clearing Away The Smog . . .

in this fast-moving, complicated world is no simple matter; but when it is accomplished, the result is refreshing to say the least.

President Eisenhower, in an address before the World Council of Churches last week, not only cleared away a lot of smog but plenty of cobwebs besides. In a few short minutes, he exposed the basic problems facing the world today, and with force and conviction spelled out the equally basic solution.

While others spoke of despair and hopelessness, he spoke of faith and prayer. While others called upon armies of men with guns, he called upon armies of men with Bibles. Faith in God and our fellowman has guided us through many a crisis . . . it will guide us now if we listen and believe.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

CHURCH OF GOD
20341 Shiawassee at Middlebelt
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship.
8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
8 p.m. Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.
8 p.m. Saturday, Young Peoples' Service.

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.
Thursday Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Young People's meeting.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:15 a.m.
Youth Groups 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Mid-Week Service Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST
Farmington at Shiawassee
9:30 and 11:40 a.m. Nursery, Junior Church and Morning Worship.
10:35 Sunday School with all-ages.

6:00 Young People's Choir.
6:30 Junior, Hi-BY, and Senior Youth Groups.
6:30 Adult Study Class
7:30 Happy Evening Hour.
7:30 Wednesday, Hour of Prayer.
8:30 Wednesday, Senior Choir.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
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 p.m.

OUR LADY OF BORROW
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.
Holy Day Masses: 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00.
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
"Granda River" at Oxford
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Saturday.
Church 11:00 a.m. Saturday.
8 p.m. Wednesday, prayer meeting.
"Faith for Today" telecast 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Channel 7.
"Voice of Prophecy" WXYZ Sunday 9:30 a.m., CKLW Sunday 10:30 a.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Services at Middlebelt School on Middlebelt North of Ten Mile
Morning worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Evening service at 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer meeting held at the home of the pastor at 2150 Pulaski Street Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
(For bus service, phone Farmington 2124.)

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
10 Mile Road at Greening
10:00 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
Sermon theme, "Managing Our Lives".
6:00 p.m. Junior and Intermediate Youth Fellowship.
Choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
W. S. C. S. business meeting at 8:00 p.m. Thursday.

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

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River and Warner Avenues
Worship Service 10:15 a.m.
A Nursery will be maintained during the Worship Service.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. B. Guinan
Farm. 1049-M and 1049-J
(Services in Universalist Church)
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and sermon. Holy Communion on each third Sunday.
Church School: Pre-school to third grade during Sunday service.
Fourth grade through high school, Wednesday, 4 to 8 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Church Service and Church School at 9:30 a.m.
At Farmington High School Bldg. Westminster Fellowship, 6:30 p.m. at the Manor.

OAKLAND CHURCH OF GOD
20221 Angling Road
Between 7 Mile and 8 Mile
Worship, Tuesday evening, 7:30 p.m.
Everyone welcome.

The Backbone of the Nation



Shape of things to come in fall election campaigns is taking form. Democrats held their state convention in Grand Rapids on August 14.

Republicans held their state convention in Grand Rapids on August 21.

Both parties met in the same place this month but only one can occupy key offices in the state administration.

Both parties expect a tough battle before the election. Both are preparing for it.

Democratic leader, while predicting victory for his group, said "You can't expect the GOP to not become heavily involved in a campaign affecting the senate."

A Republican policy committee. They will be in there pitching with all they have.

Republicans are well aware that the popularity of G. Mennen Williams and the relative heavy Democratic vote in the primary spell out a serious problem for them in November.

Importance of the senatorial race can hardly be overemphasized.

Senator Homer Ferguson has announced that President Eisenhower will appear in Michigan sometime before the election. This, of course, will be designed to aid his campaign. Ferguson and other GOP candidates are expected to make the fullest possible use of Eisenhower's popular appeal.

Drew Pearson, in his Washington column, predicts that if Ferguson is re-elected by "a wide enough margin," he will be named Senate majority leader.

The oft repeated charge that Ferguson has support from Hoffa and the AFL, because he was instrumental in calling off a Congressional investigation of the Hoffa team by Representative Clare Hoffman is denied emphatically.

A state Republican spokesman says that the investigation was called off put places responsibility on "high officials including a Democrat from other states" who were worried that it would spread from Michigan to areas that would embarrass them.

The farm vote is taking on an unusual importance. Democrats are sure they see a trend in rural areas in their favor. The CIO, strongly behind Phil Hart for Lieutenant Governor, has but little choice when it comes to a senatorial candidate. With Moody out, they are forced to choose, however reluctantly, Patrick V. McNamara. McNamara's AFL background seems to preclude any enthusiastic support.

The CIO expects to campaign for the farm vote. They will make a big play at Michigan fairs. They will work from tents with speeches, arguments why the farmer should go Democratic, and reams of literature to help him remember their best points.

This action started at the Iowa Free Fair and will continue at Mason, Traverse City, Charlevoix, Cadillac, Allegan, Saginaw, Adrian and Hillsdale.

But farmers will be reminded of what happened to them because of the recent milk strike in Detroit. GOP campaigners will point to the cut dairy farmers accepted several months back so that the price of milk could be reduced one cent per quart to consumers. They will then describe the Detroit strike which ended in higher pay for the unionized delivery men and higher cost for the consumer.

"How can the CIO expect to win farm votes when they pull this sort of thing?" asked one Republican worker.

Best way to win the election, say Republicans, is to build up a heavy out-state vote. By rough figures, they compute that there were 275,000 Democratic votes cast in Wayne County to 111,000 Republican. But in the rural areas there were 319,000 Republican votes.

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THE DETROIT GOSPEL TABERNACLE
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FULL GOSPEL
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening service, 7:30 p.m.
Young Peoples Meeting each Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.
Ladies' Prayer Meeting each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study Thursday, 8:00 p.m.
Old Fashion Prayer Meeting Saturday, 8:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
West Seven Mile, E. of Farm. Rd.
Senior Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
Morning Worship, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Church School, 9:30 a.m., third through eighth grade.
Nursery through second and high school, 11:00 a.m.
Intermediate Youth Fellowship at 6:00 p.m.
Senior Youth Fellowship at 7:00 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
21123 Indian Road
10:00 a.m. Bible School.
11:15 a.m. Worship.
Nursery provided.
7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., Prayer Fellowship.
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NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
10:30 Morning Worship Service.
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11:30 Sunday School: Bible study in classes; classes for all ages. During the Sunday School hour the Junior Church will practice.
7:30 Evening Worship service.

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

by GEORGE S. BENSON
Poet—Nursing Editor
State, Michigan

Americans today must face the following two vital facts: (1) Socialism in one form or another continues to expand its area of control across the earth; and (2) the only really effective backfire that could be built against the encroachment of this dark shadow must be built here in the United States. If we fail to build the backfire and keep it burning ever brighter through the next few years, civilization may be planned backward into another Dark Age like the one which followed the collapse of the Roman Empire.

Yes, the situation is just that serious. The answer to this terrifying problem lies, I feel, in building a concerted effort among our whole U. S. population toward the building up of two kinds of strength — physical strength and moral strength. They go hand in hand. One cannot be maintained for long without the other.

We can build the moral strength of America in only one way — by the use of its dedicated largest portion of our lives to Christ, by standing firm upon the mighty foundation of Christian principles, and by making a moral and ethical appeal by the Son of God; and by developing an inexhaustible faith in the triumph of right over wrong. Each of us should make this his personal objective. Together we should make it our common objective at the community, state and national levels.

The building of our physical strength can be limited only by how strong we make the productive might of our industries, our mines, forests and farms; and how steadfast we stand on the political and economic principles embodied in our constitutional government — from the grass roots up to Washington. Each citizen of America has as much a part in the building of this collective physical strength as he has in adding his faith and his dedication to the moral strength of the nation.

We have a system in America that we know is good. It has its faults of operation, but they are being corrected out of our experience as we advance. Our system likewise may be abused because of the earthly temptations that sometimes control imperfect people. But none of the faults can be traced to the fundamental structure of the system itself. The fundamental principles have been proved to be the best combination possible, on the basis of our present knowledge, for everybody's welfare.

With our system we outproduce every other nation in the world by wide margins. In fact, we produce almost as much as all the rest of the nations combined. During the last war we did surpass the rest of the entire world in armaments production. The living standard of the average American citizen is three times that of his counterpart in Europe, and at least five times that of the average citizen of Asia. American production today is the greatest deterrent to aggression by world Communism. And it serves too as an outright denial of the Socialist claim that our American capitalism doesn't work for the good of all.

A healthy productive system must have incentives and an atmosphere stimulating to its growth. In this area government definitely plays a part. Sound government is necessary to the strengthening and growth of American production. Sound government is vital to our over-all national strength. Thus government's soundness and health are vital factors in any problem requiring the full strength of our nation.

Our government can maintain

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

Twenty-Five Years Ago (August 29, 1929)
School In House
In an effort to avoid repetition of over-crowding which handicapped teaching in School District No. 6 last year, members of the Board of Education of that district have arranged for a house well located in the territory in which classes will be taught this year. The renting of the house will give the district three buildings for the holding of school sessions which heretofore have been confined to Grace and Noble Schools. The house is located at the corner of Old Farmington and Tuck Roads.

Burned While Threshing
Two young brothers, George and John Greenlee, were burned severely by the explosion of a fire pot of the threshing machine on which they were working near Farmington. Both boys, receiving burns about the face, hands and feet, are now recovering at their home.

Ten Years Ago (August 31, 1944)
Shot In Motion Picture
A most unfortunate incident occurred Sunday evening when Dr. Michael Sherman of Brookline Avenue fired at some boys who were raiding his melon patch. Troubled by boys taking melons before Dr. Sherman fired at the latest intruders in hopes of scaring them away. One of the boys, however, was severely injured by shot. He is now recovering at Redford Receiving Hospital. Dr. Sherman was not held but will pay all hospital expenses.

Future School Plans
Members of the Board of Education for the five school districts in Farmington Township met last Thursday to discuss future plans of the district. The consensus of opinion seems to be that uniting the school districts into one would be advantageous. A preliminary survey of the financial setup and advantages and disadvantages of a township school unit indicate that such a unit would be economically sound.

Five Years Ago (September 1, 1949)
City Parking Lot Opened
Farmington's new city parking lot on Grand River just east of the Fire Hall is now open for public use. Mayor Delos Hamlin announced this week. The Farmington Road entrance is just north of The Enterprise office and the Grand River entrance is on the alley leading to the Fire Hall.

Woodbine Water System
Approximately 50 residents of the Woodbine Subdivision, at a meeting last week, approved the formation of a special assessment district for the purpose of constructing a water system in their subdivision. Under the plan, a pumping station will be constructed and water mains installed at an estimated cost of \$30,834.

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