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It's Our Opinion:

EDITORIALS: It Is A Mystery . . .

to us why the Township Board is so hesitant about the appointment of commissioners or committees from among its members for the purpose of coordinating and expediting the affairs of the various departments of the Township.

Such a plan has been suggested on numerous occasions in this column and it has been supported by a considerable number of citizens. This type of organization is fundamental, whether it be government, business or anything else. The growth and development of the Township demands that such an organization be created.

During the past several years a number of new departments have been formed under the Township government in addition to the expansion of existing departments. As the growth of the Township continues, other new departments will have to be established. Who is going to coordinate their activities? Who is going to supervise their operations? Who is going to take care of their expanding needs? The supervisor can't do this and take care of the many other duties he has to perform. The Board, which is technically the legislative body of the Township, can not handle all of the minute details of the administrative functions, yet they must share in the responsibility. So what is the answer? It is obvious that commissioners or committees must be formed.

A public safety commissioner could coordinate the functions of the police and fire departments. A commissioner of roads could work with the County and the Township Road Committees in the development of a progressive improvement program. A sewer and water commissioner or committee could do much to expedite the solving of the major problems in these vital fields. These are but examples of what can and should be done.

Through such an organization hours of time would be saved, the Board would be more adequately informed, major problems would be more thoroughly studied, and thus more quickly solved, and a chain of responsibility would be established. This type of a program is so fundamental to good government that it is a mystery to us why the hesitation!

The Wheels Of Progress . . .

wait for no one, but the direction the cart takes depends to a great extent on the drivers. Never was that statement more true than right here in the City of Farmington.

During the past three or four years, efforts have been under way to draft and adopt a new zoning ordinance. A consultant was employed by the Planning Commission to assist in the preparation of such an ordinance. It was carefully drafted and studied in detail by the Commission prior to the holding of a series of public meetings. After a number of changes it was recommended to the Council for adoption.

An effort was made to repeat the process on the Council level, and after a number of meetings it was turned over to the City Attorney for a legal opinion. The attorney raised a number of points which are currently under study. During this entire process the City has undergone a tremendous growth and many of the well-laid plans have now become conflicts, particularly in relation to commercial areas.

Little can be accomplished by crying over spilled milk. The City urgently needs area for commercial development, yet, at the same time, it should be done in a manner which will not injure existing residential property.

In order to avoid future conflicts and, at the same time, provide the necessary facilities in the City, the utmost speed should be taken to introduce the proposed ordinance, even if a special meeting of the Council is required. This will bring the matter to a head and will eliminate much of the confusion which now exists.

Added Recommendations . . .

have been made by the Supervisors' Inter-County Committee in an effort to establish an area-wide water authority in Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Washtenaw and Monroe Counties.

We firmly believe that this is the only eventual answer to the water problem in the southeastern section of Michigan. However, because of the very scope and nature of the program, it is some distance away. In the meantime, it is the responsibility of local governments to do all in their power to make available at least temporary facilities wherever needed.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

CHURCH OF GOD
26241 Silvaswess at Middlebelt
Sunday Services: 11 a.m., 8 p.m.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.

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

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River at Cambridge
Sunday Services 8:45, 11:15 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Rev. Elsie Johns

FARMINGTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday Services 9:30, 11:40 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Dr. G. Norbury, GR. 4-2983

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Church School at 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
Nursery School maintained during the Worship hour.
Rev. Carl Schultz GR. 4-6880

WORREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
Sunday Services 9:45 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
23015 Powers Road
Sunday Masses, 7:30, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, Holy Days, 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30
Fr. T. Beahan GR. 4-5720

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Grand River at Oxford
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Church Services - 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday Prayer - 8 p.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Services at 20511 Inkster Road
Clarenceville Odd Fellow Hall
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Rev. Roy Johnson GR. 4-6355

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
13 Mile Road at Greenleaf
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Rev. L. I. Lord Lt. 2-8010

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Sunday Services 8:30, 10:45, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class, 9:30 a.m.
Rev. W. Rutkowski GR. 4-0675

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
25000 Grand River
Sunday Services 8:30, 10:45, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., 12 Stuckey School, 26000 Farley.
Rev. V. Halbot

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Services in Universalist Church
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 4 to 8 p.m., School Children.
J. B. Golan GR. 4-2860 or GR. 4-3374

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Services in Farmington H. S.
Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.
Church School at same time.
Rev. R. Geiser GR. 4-1671

ROCHESTER CHURCH OF GOD
20221 Angling Road
Sunday Services 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Service 7:30 p.m.

MARANATHA EVANGELIST CHURCH
15388 Beech Road
Sunday services, 11:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Thursday, 7:45 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 p.m.
Rev. Stanley Low

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
Seven Mile near Farmington Rd.
Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.
All Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Youth Fellowship 10 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH
21122 Indian Road
Sunday Services 11:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Bible School 10 a.m.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.

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

GAYLORD BAPTIST CHURCH
10188 Gaylord Road
Sunday Services 11:15 a.m., 6 p.m. B. Y. F. 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
27074 Cass Ave.
Sunday Service 11 a.m. at Town Hall. Sunday School 11 a.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m.

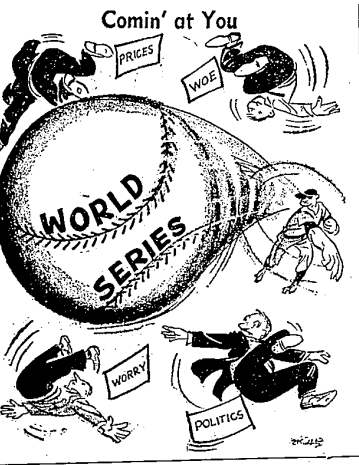
CHURCH OF CHRIST
West Point Park
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.

FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Warner and Thomas Streets
Sunday Service 11 a.m. Church School at same time.

KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST
10001 Middlebelt Road
Worship Services: 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Bible School at 10:00 a.m.
R. C. Grandell GR. 4-4731

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Grand River at Warner Ave.
Sunday Services, 8:50 and 11:15 a.m. Church School at 10 a.m.
Coffee Hour following services.
Rev. R. Strawn GR. 4-6573

BETHLEH MISSIONARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD
8900 Middlebelt Road
Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at 7:45 p.m.
Rev. J. J. Traub GA. 1-3140



Michigan Mirror

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

MICHIGAN'S HARD-PRESSED TAXPAYERS took a breather of a sort when Gov. Williams disclosed an \$18 million surplus. But they still kept paying. The governor said that the increase in collections and a number of economies in state government had built up the surplus from the dust of a \$65 million deficit two years ago.

It was at this point of fiscal desperation that the legislature passed the \$30 million a year business activities tax. A business boom did the rest. Republicans said this year's surplus would be more like \$13 million. Rep. Rollo C. Conlin (R-Tipton), chairman of the House taxation committee, said: "The governor seems to be optimistic. . . ."

Sears at the Capitol immediately predicted that agencies which have been pleading for years for more cash to run their services would renew their requests and the surplus would vanish. "There will never be a tax reduction in state government," said one bureau chief. "Services may be hired, but no less money will be required."

Governor Williams took the opportunity to blast Republicans in the legislature for paring down his appeal for more building money for state colleges and universities. Republicans said the problems could not be solved with mere money, that a complete survey of the needs of higher education should be undertaken.

The study is now under way under the direction of Senator Don Vander Weep (R-Fremont), chairman of the Senate education committee. "We'll have something for the 1956 legislature," he said.

ANCIENT PROBLEM of what to do with an overflow of mentally retarded children is coming home to roost. The governor is getting ready to call a special session of the legislature late in October to cope with the same issues that have bothered lawmakers in regular sessions for years.

The story has been told many times. There are more than 1,800 youngsters with mental problems who cannot be admitted to Lapeer

LOOKING AHEAD

By GEORGE S. BENSON
Political Editor, Michigan State, Detroit

This month marks the 17th birthday of the National Education Program. A large volume of mail comes to my desk inquiring about the Program, its origin, purposes, and various phases of its work. Many letters come from the readers of this column. With these inquiries in mind, this will be an anniversary column devoted to information relating to the Program and its beginnings.

When I returned to America in 1936 after 11 years abroad to become president of Harding College, I was conscious of a world trend toward Socialism. And since I had had a close look at Communism in China, I knew that it, too, constituted a growing danger to free nations everywhere. I felt that America's best defense against the growth of Socialism and Communism would be a clear understanding, by our people, of the comparative advantages of the American way of life, and the factors which bring about those advantages, and a knowledge of both Socialism and Communism — and their records.

As soon as I could spare the time from my administrative duties at Harding College, I began to make myself available for speaking engagements. In speeches before civic clubs and educational groups, the growth of Socialism and Communism worldwide was noted, and the basic facts about the American system were emphasized. I found, in my contact with people in all walks of life, that many Americans did not understand how our American system works; nor did they realize its great productive advantages over any other system which mankind had ever known.

I told my audiences of this situation in America and urged every person to obtain an understanding of economic and political systems and become active in the citizen responsibilities which our free way of life requires. As the months went by, the invitations to speak increased. One day a man visited me at the Harding campus. He was Jarred Trevelyan, editor and publisher of a little Ozark weekly newspaper, at Batesville, 40 miles northwest of Searay. He had heard me address the Batesville civic club. He had come down to Searay to ask me to write a weekly column for his paper, and five other mountain weeklies.

I began to write the weekly column. A few months later I spoke to the Memphis Rotary Club. When I returned to the campus I had a telephone call from a Memphis radio station. The program director asked: "Would I come over once a week and talk about the American way of life for 30 minutes on a late night spot (which was difficult to sell for advertising purposes)? I accepted a 15 minute spot. A few weeks later, a Little Rock station invited me to conduct a program, on another night of the week. From these early beginnings, the National Education Program grew like topsy. It now reaches (Continued on Page 3B)

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (September 25, 1930)

Water Mains
New water mains must be installed by the City of Farmington along Grand River Avenue from the Rouge River to the eastern city limits, it was learned this week. The grading down of the road preliminary to laying new paving makes it necessary for the city to lower the water pipes. It is expected that work will begin on the project within a week at an estimated cost of \$3,000. Work must be completed before the concrete-laying machine reaches the city limits. Lowering of the pipe was not known to be necessary until a stretch of pipe was uncovered by graders at the Junction.

Nine Mile Paving
Assessments to be levied for the paving of Nine Mile Road from Southfield Road to Grand River were revealed Wednesday morning by the County Road Commission. It has been determined that 50 per cent of the cost of construction will be borne by the assessment district, 25 per cent by the County, 15 per cent by Southfield Township, and 10 per cent by Farmington Township. The bond issue for the project is \$355,000, or nearly \$40,000 less than the amount given as needed for the road construction project.

TEN YEARS AGO (September 27, 1945)

Gasoline Shortage
Farmington is faced with a serious gasoline shortage with no immediate relief in sight. Gasoline dealers in the city agreed that one station in the area should be selected to remain open and serve customers in emergencies. The other stations will remain closed until the current strike in the metropolitan area is settled. A drawing was held and the Burnett Brothers station on Grand River at Cass was chosen as the emergency station. Gasoline will be sold only to those with an emergency need, such as police, mail, milk route drivers and nurses, ambulance drivers, etc. On Wednesday, less than 150 gallons were on hand in all of the Farmington service stations combined.

Tag Days
Plans for Tag Day in Farmington, an annual Blue Star Mothers event, have now been completed. Members will tag logs on October 3 and 6. All funds raised from the sale will be for veterans and their families and to supply aid for veterans' hospitals and equipment for veterans.

FIVE YEARS AGO (September 28, 1950)

School Enrollment
Enrollment in the Farmington Township School District is nearing 2,200, it was announced this week by O. E. Dunckel, superintendent of schools. Elementary school enrollment is now 1,447, with 745 children in the high school to date. Largest increases in enrollment have been recorded in kindergarten and the elementary grades. Largest problem in classroom space in the kindergarten, due to the enrollment of 265 youngsters.

Fourteen Mile Road Paving
The proposed paving of Fourteen Mile Road from Walled Lake to Haggerty Road was extended approximately one mile last week. Plans are being made by the County Road Commission to pave as far as Orchard Lake Road. It has not yet been determined whether or not the project will be completed this year.

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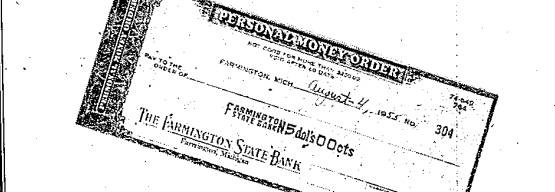
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