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It's Our Opinion:

EDITORIALS:

The Announcement . . .

last week that the Detroit Water Board has agreed to extend water to Farmington Township is a very definite step in the right direction toward solving a critical problem.

Recent changes in the Detroit system have enabled an expansion of facilities which, when developed, will greatly benefit the growing metropolitan area. However, as has been pointed out before, there is still a great deal to be done before water is actually flowing through the mains. The development of this type of a program takes time as well as money.

Most of the residents of Farmington Township recognize these facts. Their principal concern is the development of a step-by-step program which will, in the shortest possible time, bring a solution to the problem. The property owners in the so-called "dry areas" have been seeking justifiable relief for some time. They ask, and rightfully so, that a plan of action be outlined so that a program of direction and purpose can be initiated. At the same time, property owners in other sections of the Township are confused and concerned about the situation.

The availability of water through the Detroit system could well form the basis for a clear-cut program of action. However, in our opinion, it must go much farther than just this. A Township-wide Water Authority should be set up immediately to coordinate existing facilities and to work with the Detroit Water Board, the Township Board, the State Health Department and all affected citizens' groups in planning and executing a solution to the problem.

This is not an easy task, nor is it unimportant. Under such an authority, plans can be developed for the immediate needs of the critical areas and at the same time protect the interests of the entire Township. Under such an authority, expert advice and attention can be devoted to the problem, thus eliminating confusion and doubt.

The water situation has been, and still is, the most critical problem facing the Township. A sound basis for hope has been uncovered and it is essential that we take advantage of it now. Failure to organize our forces and to come up with a definite plan will only delay what must be done and possibly lead to disastrous consequences.

As Was Expected . . .

a great deal of comment and opinion is being expressed in regard to the proposed transportation of parochial school children on public school buses.

In a sense, this expression of opinion is a healthy situation. It points up in a very practical way the true meaning of democracy in action. The Enterprise has already expressed its opinion on the proposal in this column and it is not our purpose here to repeat or re-emphasize these views. It is our purpose, however, to point out the importance of free expression of community problems, whether we happen to personally agree with them or not.

The "Letters To The Editor" column has been packed full the past several weeks with comments pertaining to the transportation proposal. While we have disagreed with some of the opinions expressed, we are happy to publish them. We would also like to point out that we have the utmost respect for any citizen who has the honesty of his convictions and who has the courage to say what he thinks. It will be a sorry situation if the time ever comes when we can't write with a free hand or speak with a free voice.

We demand the right to express ourselves according to our convictions and we will defend and respect to the end the right of others to do the same, whether we happen to agree with them or not.

Serious Attention . . .

should be given to the progress of a proposal introduced by Southfield Township calling for a contribution from subdividers which would be set up in a fund for the construction of needed school facilities.

The contribution would be based upon a set figure per housing unit. We recognize that this type of proposal is not too popular with subdividers and builders, and yet a serious problem exists in the Farmington area which must be solved if the attraction to the community is to be maintained. Such a contribution would help fill the gap during the period that the property is being developed, and would greatly lessen the load on individual home owners.

GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

CHURCH OF GOD
 29341 Shilwaukee 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
 Grand River at Cambridge
 Sunday Services 8:45, 11:15 a.m.
 Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Rev. Elsie Johns

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

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
 Church School at 9:10 a.m.
 Worship Service at 10:40 a.m.
 Nursery School maintained during the worship hour.
 Rev. Carl Schultz GR. 4-5880

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
 12 Mile east of Orchard Lake
 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.
 Rev. Lloyd Shue GR. 4-1543

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 23019 Powers Road
 Sunday Mass 8:00, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, Holy Days, 6:30, 7, 8, 9 Daily, 6:30, 8 a.m.
 Rev. F. Beahan GR. 4-5720

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
 Church at Orchard
 Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m.
 Church Service - 11:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer - 7:30 p.m.

ORCHARD METHODIST
 13 Mile Road at Greenleaf
 Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Rev. L. Lord LL 2-8010

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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 23060 Grand River
 Sunday School 9:45, 11 a.m.
 Sunday Services 9:30 a.m. in Stuckey Church, 26000 Farley.
 Rev. V. Halbach

TRINITY EPISCOPAL
 (Temporarily Worshipping in the Stuckey Church)
 Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.
 Church School: Pre-School and Kindergarten, 9:30 a.m. Sunday First through Fourth Grades 10 a.m. Saturday, Seventh through Tenth Grade, 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Eleventh and Twelfth Grades, 7:30 p.m. Sunday.
 Rev. J. B. Guinan GR. 4-2280 or GR. 4-3374

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
 26165 Farmington Rd. at 11 Mile
 Sunday Service, 10:30 a.m.
 Church School at same time.
 Rev. R. Geiger GR. 4-1671

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
 26000 Farmington Rd.
 Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.
 All Youth Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
 Vespers Fellowship 6, 7 p.m.
 Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY
 21123 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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LIVONIA
 Inkster Road

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
 33525 Grand River Ave.
 Sunday Service, 11 a.m., Township, 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School, 11 a.m., and Wednesday Service, 8 p.m., both at 33525 Grand River Avenue, corner of Liberty Street.

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

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

KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST
 10601 Middlebelt Road
 Sunday Services 11 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Bible School at 10:00 a.m.
 R. C. Grandell GR. 4-4731

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
 Grand River at Warner Ave.
 Sunday Service, 8:30, 11:15 a.m.
 Church School (nursery through adult) 10 a.m. Duplicate Church School, nursery through primary) 11:15 a.m. Youth Fellowships, 6 p.m. (Int.) and 6:30 p.m. (Sr.)
 Rev. R. Sursaw GR. 4-6573

BETHEL MISSIONARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 8900 Middlebelt Road
 Sunday Services 9:45 a.m., 11:15 a.m.
 Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7:45 p.m.
 Rev. J. J. Traub GA. 1-9140

GALILEAN BAPTIST
 V.F.W. Hall - 25245 Seven Mile
 Worship Services: Sunday, 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
 Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Y. P., 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m., nursery provided.
 Rev. Herbert Noe KE. 5-2273

Easter Pay Raid



Michigan Mirror

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

VAST CHANGES in the legislative lineup already have been proposed for next year, mainly in the Senate.

Retirements and quests for higher offices will make the major changes in the physical - but probably not the political - face of the Senate.

Senator Creighton R. Coleman (R-Battle Creek), majority caucus chairman, will run for Congress from the third district. Senator C. M. Brown (D-Detroit) will seek the first district seat. Miss Brown summed it up for herself, Coleman and others making the try-for-Washington.

"There's so much that can be done for the people on the Federal level."

If Miss Brown and Coleman both arrive in the House of Representatives together, they will be in position to re-enact many legislative battles on the Lansing scene.

Resignations have been decided upon by Senators Robert E. Faulkner (R-Coloma) and Clyde H. Geering (R-Holland).

Geering said he was quitting after two terms because he is "tired of being a champion of lost causes" and Faulkner, chairman of the labor committee, said his variety store business required his attention.

GASOLINE PRICES, an issue for years, have escaped state control proposed by Governor Williams.

The plan for a "watchdog" committee with powers only to call in manufacturers and wholesalers to explain price changes increasing has been killed in committee.

Death comes to the plan just 23 days after Williams made the proposal, based on an investigation conducted by Attorney General Thomas M. Kavanagh.

Kavanagh urged that gasoline stations, refiners and blenders be licensed and the entire business be defined as a public utility and placed under the public service commission.

Look for more action next year on this idea, from both Republicans and Democrats.

STRONGER PENALTIES for distributors of obscene literature have been passed by the 1956 Legislature.

After a flurry when reports came that Hayworth would be abandoned as the candidate in 1956, the party and labor leaders made peace with him.

A meeting to choose a new candidate in Flint was called off and Raymond H. Rapaport, of Lansing, Ingham County party chairman, said:

"There are no issues which cannot or will not be resolved with Rep. Hayworth."

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LOOKING AHEAD

By Dr. George S. Benson
 DIRECTOR - NATIONAL EXPANSION PROGRAM
 Seattle, Alaska

In a Western city recently the Bureau of Investigation tripped and took into custody another "Public Enemy," a gangster notorious for his record of crime. The FBI had tracked him down relentlessly with the fullest backing of the American people. The gangster was a "foul wolf," he always worked alone. He was a public enemy because of his criminal record and the fact that every day he remained at large was a threat to the life and property of at least a few individuals.

In the eyes of the American people this gunman was an outlaw. His deeds might not have affected more than a half-dozen lives in his lifetime. But the only commonsense way to handle an outlaw threatening the safety of even a half-dozen people is to eliminate him. The American people agree on this. They understand the nature of a hardened criminal.

Yes, there is a great criminal conspiracy at work in America, dedicated irrevocably to the destruction of everything we all hold dear, and we are permitting its thousands of highly trained agents all the freedom they need to carry out their missions. In addition, we are accrediting the leaders of this world-wide conspiracy with social pleasantries and eulogies of public respect. On the basis of irrefutable facts on the basis of relationship with this heinous organization of gangsters is incredible; it doesn't make sense.

Communism is not likely to be stopped until the decent, free people of the world recognize its nature and its uncompromising objectives and get to work immediately outlawing it, and firmly seeking its eradication. The cunning leaders of international Communism know that the people of the world do not just that if they realized the full truth of Communism's nature and its aims. They have conducted a world-wide propaganda campaign to confuse the minds of people and capitalize on normal human vanity.

The normal human aversion to help the Communists. Even when the truth about Communism begins to come through to people it is normal for them to banish the whole thing from their thoughts. In last week's column, the facts presented showed that if World Communism continues the rate of growth of the last 10 years, it will have the whole world at its mercy within another 10 years. Yet many people will shut their eyes to this. It's too unpleasant to accept.

In the March 5 issue of TIME Magazine are these facts about the nature of Communism: "Foreign specialists, carefully sifting reports from refugees and other sources, estimate that at least 20 million Chinese have been slaughtered, murdered (deprived of existence. This does not include 23 million believed to be held in forced labor camps. These are figures that stagger the imagination. In no previous war, revolution or human holocaust, either in the days of Tancrane or in the long of Hitler, have so many people been destroyed in so short a period."

The magazine continues: "Because its hand for the time being is (Continued on Page 4B)"

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (March 19, 1931)
 Covert Tax Battle

The Farmington Township Board, at a meeting this week, voted unanimously to pay the County Treasurer only the Covert Road large tax actually collected in the Township this year rather than the full amount of tax which would be due if all taxes had been paid. At least ten other townships in Oakland County have also refused to pay more of the Covert Road tax than was actually collected.

A legal battle may result, as present State law requires that all taxes from this source, due the county, be paid by townships, whether it is collected or not. It was use of school tax money to pay this County road tax which led to Farmington Township's present indebtedness of \$45,000 to the eleven Township School Districts. Farmington Township Treasurer Mark Bachelor reported that about 20 per cent, or about \$32,000, of the Covert Road-large tax was collected this year.

CITY ELECTION

A host of new petitions have enlivened activity on the approaching Farmington City election and assured a number of contests. Three candidates will be seeking the office of city treasurer. They are George Gildemeister, Hiram C. Nichols, and Mrs. Bertha Weston. Six persons have filed for the three seats on the City Commission. They are Charles Ely, Carl Hogle, Fred Staman, Bernard Barfield, Deles Hamlin, and Ben Meyers. John J. Schulte and John H. Taylor Johnson will run for the board of review and James Hogle and W. Allen Nelson for assessor.

TEN YEARS AGO (March 21, 1946)
 P. T. A. Panel

A panel discussion "Weighing the Issues" was the program for a meeting of the Farmington P. T. A. held March 19 at the high school. Vernon Fisher presented problems confronting the school district at this time. He cited the problem of being the type of school system separation desired, how much space would be required, where it should be located, and how expansion and improvements could be financed. Present and future actions of the School Board were also discussed.

FIVE YEARS AGO (March 22, 1951)
 Fire Station

Two possible locations for a new fire station in Farmington Township were suggested at a meeting of the Township Board Tuesday night. Richard Priebe suggested that the new station be located in the Nine Mile - Middlebelt area. Vern Willard, representing the North Farmington Civic Association, asked that a site be selected in the northern part of the Township. The question of location is now under study by the Board.

Blood Bank

A total of 122 pints of blood was received from donors of a blood bank here Tuesday. Another 35 prospective donors were tested by technicians for physical reasons. The blood will be used by the Red Cross in Korea. A group of 12 women worked for days calling all residents in Farmington to recruit donors.

The Enterprise is the Only Newspaper Devoted Exclusively to News and Events of Interest to the Residents of the Farmington Area.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
 21405 Farmington Road
 Corner Colfax (8 1/2 Mile Group)

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Youth Groups - 6:15 p.m.
 Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Evening Service - 7:30 p.m.
 Wednesday Midweek Service - 7:30 p.m.

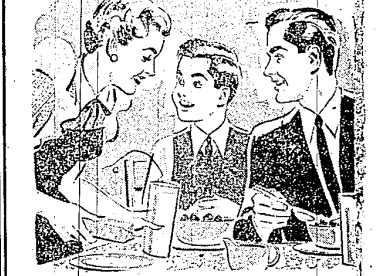
FRANK B. SMITH, Pastor

Franklin Community Church
 26109 German Mill Road
 1 Block East of Franklin Road

IDENTICAL MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
 9:30 and 11:00 A.M.

9:30 a.m. Church School, Grades 4-8
 11:00 a.m. Church School Nursery through 3rd Grade

Robert J. Searls, Minister



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