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## It's Our Opinion:

### EDITORIALS:

#### The Continuing Record . . .

rate of home building in Farmington Township comes as no great surprise to anyone. According to the latest report, new construction during the first quarter of 1956 was nearly three times greater than the same period a year ago. Barring any unforeseen events, this rate of growth should continue throughout the balance of the year, thus putting Farmington Township in the top bracket as far as development is concerned.

These facts and figures represent more than just a group of statistics. They mark a turning point in the very character of the community. As this growth continues, more and more problems will arise to tax the foresight and judgment of the Township officials and the people. These will not be easy times but they can be fruitful ones. A great many important steps have been taken in recent months to give direction and purpose to this record development.

The establishment of a planning board and the start of a master plan is one of these steps. Another is the consideration now being given by the Board to possible requirements in regard to proper water and sanitary facilities. The Board is to be commended for its decision to press this matter more fully. They have instructed the Township Attorney to proceed with the draft of a proposed resolution which would require proof of adequate water supply and sanitary system before a building permit was issued. If such a regulation is possible, it could put an end to many future problems.

#### The Concern . . .

being expressed by Governor Williams and other state officials over the alarming rise in the number of auto fatalities on Michigan's streets and highways is also being shared by city officials, including those in Farmington.

At the present time, Farmington is headed for a new record unless the trend can be reversed. No single cause can be blamed for this sudden rise in the accident rate. It is a fact that as the community continues to grow more and more cars are using our streets and highways. This, coupled with a general increase in through traffic, particularly along Grand River, is bound to add to the accident potential.

Anyone who travels these main thoroughfares knows that a great many violations take place every day. They range from speeding to U-turns to running stop streets. Safety experts throughout the State are urging increased enforcement as a partial answer to the problem. It is our opinion that this, along with an organized safety promotion campaign, is a logical starting point. If this type of program results in the saving of but one life, it's well worth it. A great deal has been said about "speed traps" and we certainly do not believe in an unreasonable approach to the problem. However, when safety rules and regulations are disobeyed, someone is due to get hurt and too often that someone is an innocent bystander.

Laws are made for a purpose, namely to protect the individual. If we are to reduce the alarming slaughter on our streets and highways, the laws must be enforced. The only alternative is a continuing rise in the death and injury list. What course do you want to follow?

#### The Political Rut . . .

seems to be getting deeper and deeper as this election year speeds toward an eventual climax. Hardly a statement or a criticism is made right now without its immediately being labeled as "political." Maybe this situation is all too true. If so, the poor guy that has to make the final decision come November has a real job cut out for himself.

### GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
2024 Shawnessy at Middlebelt  
Sunday Services, 11 a.m., 8 p.m.  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday, 7:30 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.

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

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

**SARLET 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 Schall GR. 4-8880

**FOREST HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
12 Mile east of Orchard Lake Road  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Youth Fellowship, 8 p.m.  
Rev. Lloyd Shue GR. 4-1543

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
2815 Grand River  
Sunday Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, Holy Days, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, 8 a.m.  
Fr. T. Basha GR. 4-5720

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Grand River at Oxford  
Sabbath School — 9:30 a.m.  
Church Service — 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer — 7:30 p.m.

**ORCHARD METHODIST**  
18 Mile Road at Greening  
Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Church School 10 a.m.  
Rev. L. L. Lord LI. 2-8010

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road  
Sunday Services 8:30, 10:15, 11:45 a.m.  
Church School and 3rd Class, 9:30 a.m.  
Rev. W. Rutkowski GR. 4-0675

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
26000 Grand River  
Sunday Services 8:30, 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Church School, 9:30 a.m.  
Stucky School, 26000 Farley.  
Rev. V. Halboth

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL**  
26880 LaMuera Drive  
1 Mile north of 11 Mile between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt Rds.  
Sunday Services 10 a.m.  
Rev. J. B. Guinan GR. 4-2860 or GR. 4-3374

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
26185 Farmington Rd. at 11 Mile  
Sunday Services, 10:30 a.m.  
Church School at same time.  
Rev. R. Geiger GR. 4-1671

**LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH**  
Svevia Mile near Farmington Rd.  
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship 8, 7 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 p.m.

**SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY**  
24125 Linden Road  
Sunday Services 11:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Bible Study 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**  
3325 Grand River Ave.  
Sunday Service, 11 a.m., Township Hall.  
Sunday School, 11 a.m., and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., both at 3325 Grand River Avenue, corner of Liberty Street.

**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**  
Rev. W. Adams 2504 Warren  
Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Church School at same time.

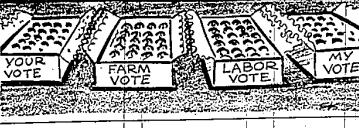
**KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
1906 Middlebelt Road  
Worship Services: 11 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Bible School at 10:00 a.m.  
R. C. Crandall GR. 4-4741

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Grand River at Warner Ave.  
Sunday Services, 8:50, 11:15 a.m.  
Church School (nursery through adult) 10 a.m. Duplicate Church School, nursery through primary) 11:15 a.m. Youth Fellowship, 6 p.m. (Int.) and 6:30 p.m. (Sr.)  
Rev. R. Suraw GR. 4-6873

**BETHEL MISSIONARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
8900 Middlebelt Road  
Sunday Services: 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday at 4:45 p.m.  
Rev. J. J. Traub GA. 1-9140

**GALILEAN BAPTIST**  
V.E.W. Hall - 22425 Seven Miles  
Worship Services: Sunday, 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Church School: 10 a.m.; Y. F. 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m., nursery provided.  
Rev. Herbert Noe KE. 5-2273

### Mighty Tempting



**BIG BATTLE OF BRAINS** is developing over the "civic tours" by Democratic members of the State Administrative Board. Republicans, who have no intention of ignoring these forays, are gleeful over their Kalamazoo results. This was the first of the Democrats' "report to the public." Republicans took radio and TV time earlier than the Democratic program to ask a series of questions. The step caught the Democrats unprepared. They had to handle the questions on a last minute basis, discarding their planned program. In fact, they were unable to secure a list of questions until their program was ready to start.

Both parties report enthusiasm over the outcome. Democrats say that Republicans are building up large audiences. Republicans say they are glad to do this because they can put across the "true facts" before more people. Democrats insist that the visits are non-political. They charge that the Republicans are forcing them into the realm of partisanship.

How is it that two members of the state administrative board are not present to report to the public? This, they say, Democrats are doing for the newly elected (last election) Democratic state officials — and the governor — to report their progress to the public.

"Most unusual" is the way Republican Superintendent of Public Instruction Clair L. Taylor described the tour. "Unless it is considered in terms of the fall election, he was quick to add.

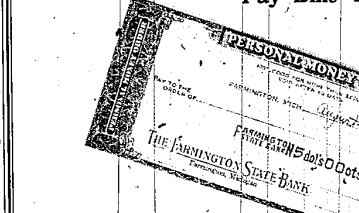
Mr. Taylor reported that he was not invited to join in the report to the people. He stated that his office reports each day to the people through regular news sources.

When asked if he would accept an invitation to join future reports, he replied he would like to look over "very carefully" the terms of an invitation.

"Absolutely they are not non-partisan," snorted Republican Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler. He added he had not heard of the state's civic tours until he read about it in newspapers.

Mr. Ziegler stated flatly that any report about highways would most certainly be given more accurately if he were on hand to describe the situation. But he ventured he might be a little leery of joining such a reporting party.

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### LOOKING AHEAD

by Dr. George S. Benson  
DIRECTOR - NATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

The American Farm Bureau Federation, with its nearly 2,000,000 families and approximately 8,000,000 men, women and children on farms in the 48 states, wants the economies of agriculture to get back to their normal position of supply and demand. A vast majority of the Farm Bureau membership live in family-size farms. The Farm Bureau, with only a comparatively few dissenters, wants to see the Government gradually withdraw its interference with the economic life of supply and demand for flexible supports, and opposed to rigid high supports. "Supply and demand continue to work when prices are fixed by the government," the Farm Bureau explains in its educational Discussion Sheet No. 10, "but not to the long-run advantage of the farmer. It is the story of the cotton show what happens. Other commodities would be used.

"I. We have produced more than we have sold. We produced an average of 15.1 million bales of cotton for the market years, 1951-54. Our markets at home and abroad took an average of 13.0 million bales during those years. 2.1 million bales less than was produced. Exports have been going down — from 5.5 million bales in 1951-52 to 3.4 million in 1954-55. The cotton of other countries in the fall of 1955 was the lowest for nearly a century. Per acre yields have been going up — from 275 pounds per acre in 1945-49 to 324 pounds in 1953, 341 pounds in 1954, and 416 pounds per acre in 1955. (The yield is up more than 50 per cent in 10 years.)

"In 1955 we produced 14.5 million bales or 2.9 million more than our customers seem to want. Although other factors (like weather) affected yields, fixed prices and government have stimulated increased use of fertilizer, insecticides, and irrigation. Rising yields have largely offset the effects of acreage controls.

"2. Production in other countries is higher than it otherwise would be. With our fixed prices, we held a price umbrella over producers in other countries and helped encourage an increase of almost 100 per cent in foreign cotton production. In 1945-49 other countries averaged 13.6 million bales per year. In 1955 they produced 25.9 million bales or nearly twice as much.

"3. Foreign use of cotton is less than it otherwise would be. Foreign markets used 2.4 million bales (cotton equivalent) of synthetics in 1947. In 1954 they used the equivalent of 8.4 million bales of about 31 times as much synthetics. In addition, they are using 44 per cent more cotton than seven years ago. But it's not American cotton. Our cotton has been priced out of the market.

"4. Our use of cotton is less than it otherwise would be. Raw materials life cotton complete at the first point of sale. So when a manufacturer can buy raw cotton to advantage against raw cotton, for instance, he will do so. He may completely switch to synthetics or he may blend synthetics into products when cotton qualities are needed. The money value of raw cotton in a finished shirt has little to do with it. We are now using more than 1.2 billion pounds of rayon annually and have replaced more than 2.7 million bales of cotton. So in the bitter struggle with synthetic fibers, cotton has lost and continues to lose markets at home.

"5. Surplus stocks pile up in the U. S. Since producers are encouraged by an artificial price to produce, and consumers at the

Wayne University has become a state institution. Its 18,000 metropolitan area students have been given the same prestige and financial backing in their search for knowledge by those in other state colleges and universities.

The state is taking over the financial responsibility by one-third in 1960, and two-thirds in 1961. The two major problems still beset legislators despite their jubilation — and that in Detroit — at taking over Wayne.

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### Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 14, 1931)

**Driver Registration**  
Plans for the registration of all automobile drivers in the City and Township of Farmington are now being completed by Chief of Police Lee Doyle and Deputies Joseph DeVriendt and William Tamra. Registration blanks are now available at the police booths in the City and at Farmington Junction. People living in the City must register with Chief Doyle while those living in the Township may register with either of the deputies. A license, costing \$1.00, will be given each registrant. A chauffeur's license will cost \$2.00. It is reported that all operators' licenses issued before January 1, 1925, must be renewed before October 31, 1931. Those registering between 1925 and 1928 will have until May 1, 1932, to register.

**Teachers' Pay**  
Farmington School District No. 5 will be forced to borrow money to pay teachers' salaries this month, the Board of Education disclosed. Non-payment to the District by the Township of 1929 taxes attributed as the reason for the shortage of money in the School District's treasury.

**TEN YEARS AGO (May 16, 1946)**  
**Teacher Contracts**  
Thirteen of the 45 teachers employed in the Farmington Township School system returned their 1946-47 contracts to the Board of Education unsigned, it was announced this week. In addition, E. V. Ayres, superintendent, and V. O. Bates, high school principal, were refused contracts for the coming year. It was also revealed that the school district will receive \$4,773.60 in state aid for salary increases to employees. The School Board indicated that this money would be divided among the teachers of the school system.

**Food Collection**  
An emergency food collection will be made in the Farmington area from now until May 30, it was disclosed this week by Byron Oliver, local chairman. Canned foods, in critical need in war-torn European countries, will be accepted at all schools in the Farmington area during the drive. Principals and other employees of the various schools will assist Mr. Oliver in the drive.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (May 17, 1952)**  
**Council Election**  
In an election of Councilmen Monday, four incumbents from the previous City Commission were chosen. James Nourjian was the only new member to be elected to office on the newly created City Council. Kenn Loomis and Tracy Conway garnered the highest number of votes with 271 and 268 respectively. Roy Miller received 224, James Cavanaugh, 216, and James Nourjian, 209. The newly elected officers will take office on May 21 when the new City Charter goes into effect.

**School Election**  
Electedors of the Farmington School District will vote on a bond issue for new school buildings as well as a School Board Trustee at the annual school election to be held June 11. Amount of the bond issue has not yet been determined. Money from the bond issue, if passed, will be used for the construction of additional rooms at the Bond and Middlebelt Schools and the construction of a new high school.

### BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

21405 Farmington Road  
Corner Colfax (8 1/2 Mile Road)  
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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