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## It's Our Opinion:

### EDITORIALS:

#### The Subject Of Roads . . .

is still a major "trouble spot" as far as Township residents and officials are concerned. The Enterprise receives more letters and comments on this one subject than any other, despite the serious water and sewage situation.

The frequency of comments regarding roads is undoubtedly due to the fact that it affects so many people. The Township Board, during the last several years, has attempted to correct the situation. They have allocated funds for the repair and maintenance of local roads and have established a committee to direct and supervise the expenditure of these funds.

This program has, in our opinion, been of benefit to the Township. Unfortunately, all repair and maintenance work must be directed through the Oakland County Road Commission. The Township has no authority to proceed on its own initiative. Because of the extensive road operations in the County, a great deal of necessary work is left undone, even when extra funds are made available. The result is continued dissatisfaction and inconvenience.

We believe there are several possible solutions to the problem. In all cases they require the close cooperation of the County, the Township, and the people. One possible solution is to encourage the County to issue private contracts for construction and repair work on a bid basis in cases where extra funds are appropriated by local governmental units. Another solution might be the establishment of more extensive special assessment districts for permanent road improvements. Both of these plans have been carried out at various times with considerable success.

It is important to emphasize that any such program requires the coordination and cooperation of all units concerned. There is no easy formula for quick and sure results. We know the problem exists and we know that somewhere there is an answer. Our task is to find it and to put it to work in the form of a practical, long-range program of permanent improvement.

#### If The Energy . . .

which was generated by the two forces working for and against a race track in Farmington Township could be harnessed into one combined effort of community promotion, there is no limit to what could be accomplished.

Regardless of whether you worked for or against the referendum proposal, a lot of time and effort was expended. While the question has been resolved by majority action of the voters, an example was set which we can not afford to ignore. The example is simply this . . . when an issue presents itself which is of major concern to the community, the people will take action even though their opinions may be widely different.

Farmington is faced with a continuing issue of developing a more rounded social and economic structure. We still need additional commercial and small industrial development if we are to enjoy the services and facilities we should have. They can be ours if even a portion of the combined energy expended on the race track proposal could be directed in one channel toward community promotion and development.

#### Whether You Like Statistics . . .

or not, here's one figure it will pay you to remember. According to a report presented at the Governor's Highway Safety Conference held in East Lansing last week, Michigan's traffic death toll has now reached the appalling yearly total of 21.5 fatalities per 100,000 population.

Unfortunately, statistics can't tell the real story of what this means in terms of heartaches and suffering. In a matter of seconds a home can be darkened forever. A child can be left without a father or mother and a memory of emptiness and horror in a shorter time than it takes to tell about it.

Are we being a little too dramatic? Not if we're willing to face reality. These things aren't fiction; they're happening every day all around us. Have you ever tried to search behind the headlines and the statistics? Have you ever wondered what happens to the broken families, the widows and orphans? Just think about it the next time you slide behind the wheel. It could save your life!

## GO TO CHURCH THIS WEEK

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
20341 Shawwassee at Middlebelt  
Sunday Services, 11 a.m., 8 p.m.  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Tuesday, 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.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

**CLARENCEVILLE 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, 8:45, 11:40 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
Dr. G. Northrop GR. 4-3985

**SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery School maintained during the worship hour.  
Rev. Carl Schultz GR. 4-6380

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

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
28015 Powers Road  
Sunday Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30, Holy Days, 8:30, 7, 8, 9, Daily, 6:30, 8 a.m.  
Fr. T. Beahan GR. 4-5720

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Grand River at Oxford  
Sunday School 8:45 a.m.; Church Service - 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer - 7:30 p.m.

**ORCHARD METHODIST**  
18 Mile Road at Greening  
Sunday Services, 8 a.m.  
Church School 10 a.m.  
Rev. L. J. Lord LI. 3-8010

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road  
Sunday Services, 8:30, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School and Bible Class, 9:30 a.m.  
Rev. W. Rutkowski GR. 4-0875

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
26000 Grand River  
Sunday Services, 8:30, 11 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m. in Stucky School, 26000 Farley.  
Rev. V. Malbala

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL**  
26320 Lehigh Road  
1 Mile north of 11 Mile between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt Rd.  
Sunday Service - 10 a.m.  
Rev. J. B. Smith GR. 4-3374

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
26165 Farmington at 11 Mile  
Sunday Service, 10:00 a.m.  
Church School at same time.  
Rev. R. Geiger GR. 4-1871

**LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH**  
Seven Mile at Livonia Rd.  
Sunday Service, 9:30 a.m.  
All Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship, 7 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 p.m.

**SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY**  
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.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
12 E. Livonia  
Inkster Road  
Sunday Services, 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School, 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
35252 Grand River Ave.  
Sunday Service, 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School, 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Church Office: GR. 4-6573  
Parsonage: GR. 4-7568  
Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.  
Church School (through Junior Dept.) 9:15 a.m.

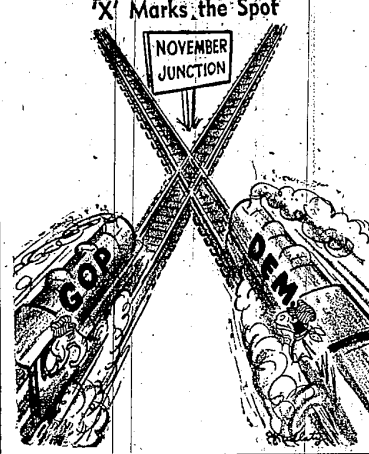
**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
West Point Park  
Sunday Services 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.  
Wednesday, 8 p.m.

**FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH**  
Rev. W. Kellison 23604 Warner  
Sunday service 11:15 a.m. Church School at same time.

**KENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
18001 Middlebelt Road  
Worship Services, 8 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Bible School at 10:00 a.m.  
R. C. Crandell GR. 4-4781

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Grand River at Warner Avenue  
Rev. Russell Sears 22630 Cass  
Church Office: GR. 4-6573  
Parsonage: GR. 4-7568  
Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.  
Church School (through Junior Dept.) 9:15 a.m.

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



**FORCED INTO MORE RECESSES** than a kindergarten class, the state legislature took another temporary leave from Lansing July 18 after scheduling an August 6 date to reconvene.

The legislative technique of "meet - recess - meet again" is the answer given to Governor Williams for his action in calling back the members for special sessions. Last year he called a second special session when the legislature adjourned without acting to his satisfaction. But the governor is powerless to end the recess.

Present deadlock of interests in the governor - legislature feud won't be broken soon, according to capital observers. A new unemployment compensation plan is the core of this dispute.

Republicans charge that the governor is trying to capitalize on Michigan's economic situation as political fodder. They place much stock in his "gloom and doom" tactics. Leaders hold that early summer decreases in employment were temporary; that the state is not heading toward "disaster."

Both sides agree that the legislature is doing little. The Democrats charge that the Republicans refuse to take action in the unemployment "emergency."

Republicans on the other hand see too much smoke and no legitimate plan being presented by Governor Williams. But they protect the situation by standing ready to act if unemployment should assume larger proportions.

Free polio vaccine will be available for a third shot to all children from one to 14, because of the only bill approved by the legislature during its July meeting. This will cost about \$831,000.

Two other proposals, including the final appropriations for the new medium security prison at Ionia and a bill to give the driver-licensing department power to keep bad drivers off the highway, were not approved by members at the special session.

Construction workers refuse to continue building the new Ionia prison unless the state agrees that prisoners will not be used on any portion of the job.

Republican leaders feel the situation is incongruous in that unions, which often receive close cooperation from Governor Williams, are now delaying his prison program.

The "bad drivers" bill, legalizing license denials because of your driving record, received a temporary setback when some Demo-



One of the great questions before the American people is what to do about Agriculture - what Federal government policy should be established on a permanent basis, what form of assistance, if any, should be given through governmental channels? For a long time, unfortunately, the problem has been involved in partisan politics. Progress toward a solution which would protect the welfare of the farmers and at the same time be in the public interest can only be achieved when all of us have a clear understanding of the basic elements in the problem.

At Freedom Forum XVII, conducted by the National Education Program recently at Searcy, Roger Fleming, secretary - treasurer of the American Farm Bureau Federation, discussed the pertinent elements in the problem and then he gave some important viewpoints of his organization. Fleming has a membership of 1,600,000 farm families representing a total of nearly 10,000,000 Americans. Mr. Fleming feels that the viewpoints of the Federation reflect those of most of the farmers in the nation.

"The agriculture problem," he said, "is that our plant is too big for our markets at home and abroad. Currently our productive capacity, and our production, is in excess of demand both at home and abroad - about four percent per year. One of the things about the demand for agricultural products is that the demand is relatively inelastic, especially so for some agricultural commodities. A four percent increase in supply results in a greater than four percent decrease in price."

"Add to that the fact that we have had four percent or more too much for the last several years and it's piled up in what some people thought was a market, namely, the Commodity Credit Corporation. It isn't a market; it's a storehouse and anything that goes in and reduces supply one year and raises the price one year, increases the supply and reduces price when it comes out, as most folks have learned (and those who haven't probably will, because it's one of the stark realities of life)."

"Now in the operation of our various experiments with regard to political manipulation in the agricultural price policy field, we have found there are some things that we should have known - for instance, that it's awfully easy to price your commodity out of the market at home and abroad. There is no more dramatic example than a commodity that affects this area (the South) and I mean cotton. Because of government cotton pricing manipulations we have invited dramatic expansion in synthetic production at home; we have invited expansion of synthetic production abroad, and production of raw cotton abroad, to the point where as of today, unless we do differently than we're doing, this great export commodity will have lost its total export market within two years."

"And so these efforts, sincere efforts in most cases, to try to do something about this problem, have created some other problems that may be at least as difficult as the one it was designed to solve. In addition, as we have tried to cut down the production of certain commodities, we have increased the production on the diverted acres of other commodities, and so we start chasing acres and we start involving more and more people in a never-ending circle."

The nearly 2,000,000 Farm Bureau families are recommending: "Starting from where we are, with (Continued on Page 4B)

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (August 13, 1931)**  
**School Athletics**  
Farmington High School will withdraw its membership in the Suburban High School Athletic League as soon as possible. The Board of Education decided Wednesday evening. Trustees Howard Warner called attention to a budget item of \$400 for athletics. He expressed the opinion that the athletic department should be as nearly self-sustaining as possible, particularly at a time when every effort is being made to economize. In discussion, it was brought out that most of the money is used for payment of athletic contest officials. Only officials approved by the league can be used. It was also pointed out that Farmington was too small a school to compete in the league, and that teams would benefit by playing other schools in this area with similar enrollments.

**Wider Grand River**  
Widening of Grand River Avenue from Farmington to New Hudson to a width of 40 feet was listed by the State Highway Department this week as one of the major projects to be undertaken in the state as soon as possible. It was indicated that the widening as far as New Hudson would be completed by the end of 1932. It is hoped that the widening of the main east-west highway all the way to Lansing will be possible in the very near future, Grover D. Dillman, State Highway Commissioner, stated.

**TEN YEARS AGO (August 15, 1946)**  
**Gala Days Parade**  
Farmington citizens celebrated the first anniversary of V-J Day Wednesday with a parade and an impressive patriotic address by Raymond Kelly of Detroit, World War I and I veteran and holder of several American Legion offices, including that of National Commander. Taking part in the parade were members of the American Legion, V. F. W., Blue Star Mothers, the Kiwanis Club, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Farmington High School Band and Clarenceville Boy Scout drum and bugle corps.

**Pupil Regrouping**  
A plan to redistribute elementary enrollment in the Farmington School District was presented to the Board of Education by Superintendent O. E. Dunkel Monday night. Among the recommended changes was the closing of the West Farmington School and the setting aside of the Fairview School for kindergarten pupils only.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (August 16, 1951)**  
**School Bond Bids**  
September 12 has been set by the Farmington School Board as the final day for the acceptance of bids on the \$500,000 school building bond issue. This will be the first of a series of two issues to be sold from the \$1,750,000 approved recently by voters. The second series will be sold at a later date. The sale of the first series of bonds will allow the Board to have plans for the construction of additions at the Bond and Middlebelt Schools and the erection of a new ten-room elementary school on Tep Mile Road.

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21405 Farmington Road  
Corner Colfax (8 1/2 Mile Road)  
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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**  
On Franklin's Village Green  
1 block west of Franklin Rd., at Wellington and Normandy  
WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:00 A.M.  
CHURCH SCHOOL - 10:00 A.M.  
Robert J. Searls, Minister

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