

Editorial Page

The Loud Mouthed Black

Our Democratic Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court — Eugene Black — has quite a habit of spouting off not only on the bench but at any other time. He appears to be of high intelligence, but sometimes his thinking is so idealistic that it is not at all practical.

We happen to know something about Nebraska's unicameral legislature, which he advocated for Michigan. We can not see that it has worked one bit better or worse than the two house system used in other states. The only advantage we can see is that it is smaller. That would be fine in Michigan, if it made it that much easier for the CIO to gain control. Is that it, Mr. Black?

Planning Is A Problem

The problem facing planners for any service group working in the south Oakland County area (and undoubtedly Wayne County) are really something these days. We've just had an inside look at one of them, and it's one of the largest and oldest.

Here are just a few of the problems faced by this organization, and the same problems are being faced by businesses and communities.

Ten years ago the county population was 350,000 and today it is 650,000 — close to doubled in ten years. Population growth itself presents enough problems, but ours also involve sociology and geography.

Oakland county is second only to Westchester county in New York State in the number of different kinds of people making up its population. Most of our people are industrially employed.

Besides the major General Motors installations in Oakland county, there are 600 small industries in south Oakland, most with under 100 employees, and on top of that in the Farmington area, particularly, quite a few work in Wayne county. With 400 lakes, our county is quite a recreation area, and there is some farming.

Moreover, so many of the families nowadays are either new to the county or they have recently moved into a new community; most are home owners; and most of them have larger than average families. Because many families are settling in new communities, these communities often have no tradition of leadership, or any rallying point.

Now, just suppose you were a member of a group trying to plan a fund raising drive and things like service programs to serve such an area. You'd find it would be pretty hard to plan, you're sure. United Foundations takes care of much of this, but the groups still have to plan their service activities. Think what the Red Cross faces in blood recruitment, in water safety help, just as one example.

It's no wonder then that people charged with planning are not always able to do the right thing every time. Our cities and townships must hire professional planners, and even with their facts they can't always have the right answer every time.

Considering all this, we're going to be just a little more patient, with organizations and officials when things go awry — and we think the public might give a little more thought before sounding off so readily.

The only people you should try to get even with are those to whom you owe a good turn.

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What's New With OUR NEIGHBORS

DEARBORN—Steve Long, salary committee chairman of the Dearborn Federation of Teachers (DFT) announced last week the Federation will not ask for a salary increase this year. However, the teachers' group is requesting a 3 1/2 per cent cost of living adjustment in accordance with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics index of the local area.

The DFT position coincides with the thinking of the Ford Motor Co., which grants a cost of living adjustment to its salaried employees this year after issuing a statement that economic conditions did not warrant pay raises at this time.

—The Dearborn Press.

SOUTH LYON—Nick Oprea's long struggle to have his wife reunited with him is apparently nearing success. Continuing efforts on their behalf have resulted in clearing all formalities necessary to allow Mrs. Oprea to return from Romania to the United States and her husband.

It has been a long, drawn out, expensive fight for Nick. It began when his wife, Sofia, was caught by the outbreak of World War II in her native country. Since then Nick has spent thousands of dollars and much time trying to clear political and immigration barriers in both countries.

—The South Lyon Herald.

HOLLY—The Holly Area school board began the task last week of trimming the budget, with about 150 area residents at the meeting. An estimated \$30,000 was tentatively cut from the budget under 15 items. Major cuts in the academic schedule would be grade school music and six teachers from the elementary school. It was voted to retain full-day elementary school sessions by making some changes.

Members of Oakland county road commission hope to meet with state highway officials this week to discuss the proposal that a Class A highway be provided for Holly. However, the commission had not reached any decision about the state proposals.

—Herald Adviser

NOVI—Billboards on the expressway, a note! The billboard apparently several times in the past, is open again. It's fast becoming a major headache for the Novi township. The board is caught between the township board, Novi merchants and the county — all with different ideas on how to handle the billboard.

First the zoning board passed an ordinance forbidding signs, on the recommendation of federal and state highway officials. But several Novi merchants objected to the zoning board re-wrote the ordinance allowing signs under strict conditions. The ordinance was rejected by the county coordinating committee. That seemed to settle it.

Now the township board has asked the zoning board to have another try at fixing up an ordinance that will allow some signs on the expressway. The zoning board wisely agreed.

—Novi News.

WAYNE—A more-than-a-million dollar budget, \$16,500 short of balancing, was passed unanimously by the Wayne Village council last week.

The unbalanced budget, termed "conservative" by Village Manager Wallace Arrow-smith, is the first deficit one placed in operation since before World War II. Total is \$1,638,669. Village councilmen, who are ordered to pass a budget on July 1 under charter regulations, said a complete review of expenditures will take place in three months. At that time, all officials hope the budget will be balanced.

The 1958-59 budget includes no pay raises for any village employee.

—Wayne Dispatch

SOUTHFIELD—Southfield city council decided this week to have the mayor name a representative of the Franklin Volunteer Fire department in to discuss the stand-by service given annually by the department at \$1,000 per year.

Fighting the payment out of the current budget was Councilman C. Hugh Dohany who stated he felt "very strongly" about the matter after discussing the arrangement with the Michigan inspection bureau.

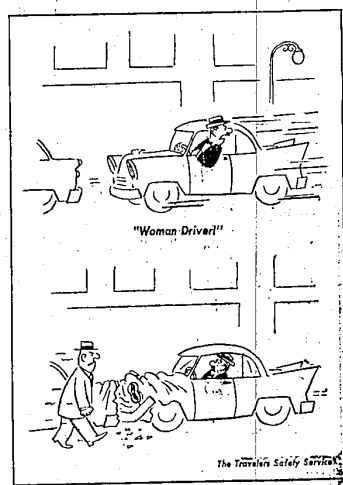
Dohany stated he was told that the bureau knew of no such arrangement in any other part of Michigan such as exists between Southfield and the Franklin department. He claimed that since Franklin and several other communities were paying nothing for service, Southfield should maintain reciprocal service but without cost.

—The Village Crier

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Gov. Williams Will Have His First Opposition in Primary in 10 Years

DEMOCRATS ARE HAVING TROUBLE with political figures they used to call their friends.

For the first time since 1948 when he won his primary by a close vote, Gov. Williams has opposition.

His opponent Aug. 5 will be William L. Johnson, of Ironwood, a radio station owner who was on Williams' team as a candidate for state treasurer in 1954.

It was a team on which only the captain won that year.

Johnson finished down the scale from the top vote getters, and Republican D. Hale Brake began his final term. Now, Johnson has returned — and with a vengeance.

Johnson is one of the organizers of the Democratic Club of Michigan, Inc., which includes Ted Fry and former Congressman Frank E. Hook.

Hook has been disclaimed by the Williams organization of Democrats, which has won the state's top office five terms running. Fry is an Upper Peninsula leader in the group.

Homer Martin, former UAW president and longtime leader of the Michigan farmers who protested low milk prices, is also a member of the club. He is running for the U. S. Senate against Lt. Gov. Philip A. Hart. Michael J. Mohardt of Detroit, is the club's candidate for lieutenant governor, opposing the Williams-approved Senator John B. Swann (D-Detroit).

The irony of the situation has several aspects. For the first time in years, Republican candidates for top state offices are running unopposed in the primary. Democratic leaders see a frightening possibility.

With no Republican contests in the primary, it would be possible for Republicans to flood the ballot boxes with votes for Johnson, Martin and Hook, giving Williams a real contest.

Paul D. Bagwell, on leave from Michigan State University where he headed Communications Skills, is the only Republican candidate for governor.

Senator Charles E. Potter is the incumbent and an automatic primary winner, without opposition.

Rep. Donald A. Brown is running as a Republican for lieutenant governor. None of them will admit that they are running as sacrifice candidates, just to put Republicans on the ballot. All are campaigning hard, however, but their eyes are lifted over the Aug. 5 primary election horizon to the year in November — when voters will answer all these pesky questions.

Williams' and Democratic State Chairman have soundly blasted the Johnson-Martin-Mohardt-Hook-Fry group.

They are telling all who will listen that Martin is a discredited union leader, that Johnson was something less than a sensation in 1954. They shrug when they remember Hook's defeat by Rep. John Bennett in the Upper Peninsula race.

Stabler has charged publicly that the club has sought campaign funds and votes from Republicans — on the theory that a small group of dissident Democrats and one big group of United Republicans can end Williams' 10-year reign.

"They know they will get nothing from Democrats," said Stabler.

The club, quite naturally, denies these charges and blasts the Williams side of the party, countering that it has become

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

July 13, 1933

Unusual Wedding

One of the most unusual wedding ceremonies ever solemnized anywhere in this area took place last week at the Morningside Riding Academy at Five Mile and Morningside Drive, near Farmington.

Clarence Creekmore, 32, owner and manager of the riding academy, was the groom and Miss Lily Van Herremont of Detroit the bride. And the wedding took place with all the principals on horseback.

The bride party proceeded at dawn to a field on Morningside Drive which is a part of the academy trail. The marriage was performed by Mrs. Mabel Rhodes, justice of the peace for Livonia Township, who was also on horseback as were the bridesmaid, Mrs. W. R. Banks of Farmington, and best man, Dr. G. Nakai of Detroit. About 30 friends, all on horseback, attended.

School Board Head Spencer J. Heaney is the new president of the Farmington Board of Education, being elected at the July meeting of the Board. He has served one year of his three year term of office. Mrs. Florence Lee was re-elected secretary and Arthur Lamb as treasurer.

TEN YEARS AGO

July 15, 1948

Classrooms Short

Plans to concentrate the elementary grade school program into a shorter day was outlined by Superintendent O. E. Duncke to the School Board Monday night.

With the shorter day, two sessions would be possible he said. This will be necessary as the result of a severe shortage of classrooms, Duncke said.

Duncke emphasized that this would not mean a "half-day" of education for youngsters as many might be led to believe. Children will have nearly as many actual classroom hours as on a full-day schedule, he said.

Recess periods and other non-classroom activities will be cut out.

Miss Minnie Zielke, elementary supervisor, said that children in grades 1 through 3 would lose only 15 minutes of actual schooling and those in the upper elementary grades, 40 minutes.

FIVE YEARS AGO

July 15, 1953

Court Purchase

The Farmington City Council, at a special meeting Tuesday afternoon, authorized the purchase of approximately \$3,000 worth of furniture, equipment and fixtures for the new Municipal Court rooms. The furniture and equipment will be installed in the main court on the jury room, the court clerk's office and the judge's chamber. The rooms are located on the second floor of the fire hall building on Liberty St.

Road Widening Work on the widening and resurfacing of Orchard Lake Road between 11 and 14 Mile Roads is expected to get underway in about 10 days, according to an official of the Ann Arbor Construction Company, contractors on the job.

A considerable amount of preliminary work has already been completed. Trees along the shoulders of the road have been cleared and utility poles moved back in preparation for the widening.

A 22-foot bituminous concrete surface will be put in. The cost of the project has been set at \$135,892 and scheduled for completion in October.

Dorothy Thompson looks at the present: "Ours is the age of 'adjustment' and 'togetherness' — and to hell with it!"

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Three at MSU Music Program

Three students from the Farmington area have returned from the annual Youth Music Program at Michigan State University from June 22-July 12.

More than 215 musicians from high schools in Michigan and surrounding states participated in the three-week session, designed to further develop musical interests and abilities.

The young musicians had an opportunity to participate in various musical organizations, such as a concert band, orchestra and training band. They also received private lessons from an experienced program staff and learned about music theory, composition, conducting and other related areas.

Presenting this continuing education activity was the MSU department of music. Farmington students participating in the program include Carol Charles, Farmington; Richard Durham, 33225 Oakland; and Patricia Rhodes, 33760 Glenview Ct.

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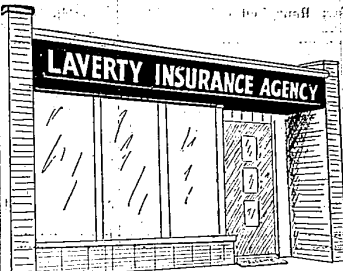
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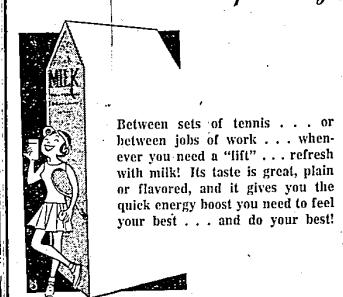
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