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EDITORIALS

We Don't Blame Them . . .

for hiding behind a handbill! We refer to "Your Neighbors" who snatched the city with the circular entitled, "Don't Vote For More Taxes".

If we wrote such a document, full of false and derogatory statements, we would want to hide behind something, too. Naturally, they waited until the last minute to fill the air with smoke, with the idea of confusing the people. That is what used to be known as "smart politics".

However, these unknown smoke-makers are getting an answer right here, an answer that has been requested by a flood of Enterprise readers. The city charter election is over, but the untrue statements about the "local press" are still just as malicious as the day they were written. Thinking people in this city don't like it and they have told us so.

We ask that these "neighbors" step out and prove their statements or challenge in the open the statements we are about to make. Naturally they won't come out from behind their handbill - first, because they can't back up their statements and second, because they don't want to expose themselves as the authors of such derogatory accusations. Let's review those statements again in direct quotes: "A certain group is attempting to ram down the throats of the citizens of Farmington this so-called charter, by control of the local press and other means." Since The Farmington Enterprise is the only newspaper printed in the City of Farmington, it is obvious who they are referring to. Let's take the next statement, "In the interest of good government by the people and for the people, we have taken this means without restriction by the local press to present the facts to you."

Again we ask these "neighbors" to step forward and tell us "what control?" The only control levied on The Farmington Enterprise is that of the people themselves. If they didn't control us we would not have any subscribers, and we have plenty of them, with more taking the paper every day. The publishers of this paper think for themselves, and that's what is bothering these unknown confusers. They can't control The Enterprise!

Again we ask these "neighbors" - what restrictions are they talking about? No one has approached The Enterprise requesting the publication of anything for or against the Charter question. The Enterprise has never refused to publish both sides of a question regardless of how it felt on the matter. The only restriction is one of law. It is known as libel. Maybe that is the restriction they are talking about.

The Enterprise had the courage to speak out and let it be known how they stood on the charter question. Apparently that was too much for some, they had to take to the back fences and charge "control" and "restriction" because they themselves have been unsuccessful in controlling or restricting The Farmington Enterprise.

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When It's Warm And Sunny . . .

the Farmington volunteer firemen are rushing and busy. It is all because too many people are careless about grass and brush fires. Every effort is being made by local authorities and the State Conservation Department to stop this unnecessary waste of the taxpayers' money as well as destruction of property.

A \$100 fine can be imposed on any person who starts a grass or brush fire without a permit and allows it to get out of control, causing a fire run or damage to property. You can help reduce the cost of grass fires by being careful. You can save property and wildlife refuge by just taking the necessary precautions. In the past few years grass fires in the Farmington City and Township area have cost the taxpayers an alarming amount of money - money that could be used for roads, better fire protection, and other needed services.

Let's be careful - not only to protect our property and the property of our neighbors but also to reduce the undue burden on every taxpayer as a result of carelessness.

Churches

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2500 Grand River
Victor F. Halbroth, Pastor
Early Service, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Late Service, 11 a.m.

LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road
Rev. W. Rutkowski, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., nursery to 10:00 a.m.
Divine services at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 8:30 p.m. Sunday over WKLW and at 3:30 a.m. on WXYZ.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.
11:15 a.m., Nursery School
Sunday School, 10:10 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m., choir rehearsal at the church.

LIVONIA METHODIST CHURCH
W. J. Mile, E. of Farmington Rd.
Rev. Cadman Prout, Pastor
9:30 a.m., Church School
10:45 a.m., Morning Worship
10:45 a.m., Nursery, kindergarten and primary Sunday School
W. S. C. S. on second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.

FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Grand River at Middlebelt
Rev. Orville J. Winslet, Pastor
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Friday Prayer Service, 7:45 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Canby and Grand River
Elie A. Johns, Pastor
10:00 a.m., large, enthusiastic Sunday school
11:15 a.m., the Morning Worship
6:30 p.m., the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Weezy Adult Fellowship, the Evening Service
7:45 p.m. every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

FIRST BAPTIST
"The Friendly Church"
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Midweek Services at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8:15 p.m.

SEVEN EVANGELICAL CHURCH
E. Canby and Schullis, Pastor
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m. a.m.
Church School, 11:25 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evenings.

ORCHARD METHODIST CHURCH
7 Mile Road at Greening
Rev. Leroy Lord, Pastor
10:30 a.m. Church School
11:45 a.m. Sunday School
6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship
A Barany, Sponsor.
Nursery department in care of Sally Pfeiffer and Sally Giroux.

Ladies Guild: First and Third Thursday each month, 8 p.m.

Gaylord Baptist Church
19188 Gaylord Road
Rev. Chester Cones, Minister
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:15 a.m.
B. Y. F., 6 p.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
23701 Cass Avenue
11:00 a.m., Morning Services and Sunday School
8:00 p.m., Wednesday Evening, Testimonial Meeting

Reading Room: Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
The mistaken belief that man is wholly material - and the truth of his spiritual nature - will be discussed in Sunday's service of Sunday, April 8, in all Christian Science churches. The topic of the Lenten Service is "Thriftily". The Golden Text is from Matthew (7:19): "Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire."

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Greer, Minister
Bible Study at 9:45 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

SOUTHFIELD COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
21122 Indian Road
Rev. H. Raymond Bayne
10:00 a.m. Bible School
11:15 a.m. Worship
Nursery provided, 8 a.m.
7:30 p.m. Evening Service
Tuesday, 7:45 p.m. Prayer Fellowship.

OUR LADY OF BARRROWS
Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, Pastor
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30
Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Warner and Thomas Streets Farmington
Rev. Frank D. Adams, Pastor
Sunday morning worship at 11 o'clock.
Junior church, also at 11.

The Mountain Climber.



Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

LITTLE IRON CURTAIN
For most of one day I drove along what is sometimes called "the little iron curtain" - the border where Yugoslavia and Albania meet, for Yugoslavia enjoys the unenviable distinction of being squeezed between two sections of the iron curtain with Bulgaria and Hungary on one side and Albania on the other.

FOREST HILLS UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH

Stansbury and 12 Mile Roads
Rev. J. Jones, Pastor, MA. 6-3002
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
12:30 Fellowship, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service, at 8 p.m.
Children's Bible Club Thursday at 3:15 p.m.

ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)
Rev. James H. Merritt, Vicar
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion.
9:30 a.m. Church School (Three years and up.)
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
11:30 a.m. Sunday School.
12:00 a.m. Kindergarten and Primary School (3 to 8 years).

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Charles G. Morse, Pastor
10:30, Morning Worship Service.
Special music by the choir, illustrated children's message.
11:30, Sunday School: Bible study in classes; classes for all ages.
During the Sunday School hour the Junior Choir will practice.
7:30, Evening Worship service.

Bible Comment:

Holidays Were Holy Days in Ancient Times

WE recently celebrated Easter, the holiest of our holidays and the most spiritually satisfying. Most of our holidays are celebrated with more noise than meditation and place more stress on festivity than relaxation. Living at a fast mechanized tempo, we seem to have also speeded up the hours of our holidays with motor trips, potato races and festive beach parties.

How unlike the serene and solemn holidays of biblical times. Notable among the Jewish feasts was the Feast of the Passover, celebrating the passing over of Jewish homes when destruction fell upon Egyptian families. Associated with it was the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Others were the Feast of Pentecost, celebrating the completion of the corn harvest. While the mood governing the ancient feasts was primarily one of devout dedication to God and the Commandments, some of the holidays were occasions of great festivity. The Feast of Tabernacles, for instance, lasted seven days and the people lived in booths made out of "boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook."

But as holidays would be out of the question today for most of us no longer live close to nature. Then again, the ancient Feast of Tabernacles celebrated the fruit wine and oil that had been gathered in. Today we tend to take crops and harvests for granted.

It is a pity many who understand that we no longer place such emphasis upon the coming and passing of seasons and upon the fruits of tillage for the observance of these things was spiritually stimulating



BY GENE ALLEMAN

Michigan has a grand jury law in name only. All its teeth are gone, according to Attorney General Frank G. Millard.

Lacking today are the right of granting immunity to key witnesses or even the power to subpoena to require their appearance. These handicaps apply to both the 23-man grand jury and to the three-man grand jury which replaced the old one-man grand jury plan.

Millard does not favor restoration of the one-man grand jury system unless new safeguards are set up. The State Bar of Michigan has recommended several important changes.

It will be disturbing to many citizens to learn from Michigan's chief law enforcement officer that Michigan's grand jury law is weak and ineffective - and hence void open invitation for graft and corruption.

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

General Motors Corporation has established a proving ground of 1123 acres located 42 miles northwest of Detroit, near Milford. It is about equal distance from Lansing, Flint, Pontiac and Detroit. In this tract is level and hilly country. All sorts of roads with all sorts of surfaces have been tested - gravel, macadam, gravel, dirt, hills, curves and straightaways. The garage and service station has facilities for 150 cars. The schedule of 1925 calls for cars to travel 350,000 miles.

Pontiac Land High Test Cars Near Milford
General Motors Corporation has purchased the Alfred Howland farm of 100 acres just south of Pontiac, paying for the same \$28,000. The farm sold 17 years ago for \$15,000. General Motors has not given out its intention in connection with the purchase.

TEN YEARS AGO (April 3, 1941)
May Start Homesteads
A plan to open state-owned lands in Oakland County to homesteading is under consideration by the state legislature. The program presented by Auditor-General Vernon J. Brown proposes "subsidized homesteading" instead of large housing projects to ease the problem in defense industry areas. Brown suggested the legislature grant the state land office board power to declare certain state lands "homesteading areas" and to deed the property over to local housing commissions who would parcel it out in small units to persons agreeing to meet a minimum standard of improvements.

Garage Burns
A fire which burned a garage to the ground Sunday caused damages estimated at between \$100 and \$500. The property was partially covered by insurance. The garage was situated at the rear of the home of Henry R. B. Hoyt - 21325 Hancock Street. The fire truck was unable to save the garage and a car which was parked inside.

FIVE YEARS AGO (April 4, 1946)
Appointment Zoning Board
Township Clerk Harry McCracken received official notice Wednesday evening from Arthur E. Moore, Oakland County Judge of Probate, of the appointment of the Township Zoning Board. Those appointed by Judge Moore for a four year term are Guy A. Durgan and Thomas A. Tardy, and for two years, Mrs. Francesca Billing and Mr. Fraser Hulls.

Little Stories about Great Hymns

Jesus Saves
We have the joyful sound:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Spread the tidings all around!
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Miss Priscilla Owens wrote the words to this hymn for a Baltimore Sunday School to sing in celebration of a missionary anniversary. The melody was written by William J. Kirkpatrick, a Pennsylvania composer who also wrote several of the stirring marching songs used by soldiers in the Civil War. "Jesus Saves" is a favorite today in Evangelical services, mission meetings, and Sunday School gatherings.

Thayer Funeral Home

A Picture Of Quality

FARMINGTON DAIRY ICE CREAM

You'll go a long ways to find smoother, more flavorful ice cream than FARMINGTON DAIRY'S. It's made right here in Farmington with modern equipment and scientific know-how. You can be sure of purity and rich goodness when you buy FARMINGTON DAIRY Ice Cream. Why not try a quart of your favorite flavor today!

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