

# Move Veterans Day Back To Old Nov. 11

**EDITOR:**  
Time is marching on. When will you celebrate Armistice - Veterans Day - Nov. 11 or the fourth Monday of October, which will be Oct. 23?

For over 50 years, veterans celebrated the Nov. 11 date with no hardship. Then suddenly Congress decided that Columbus Day should be a federal holiday and to be celebrated on Monday. And they changed our Veterans Day from November to October for a minimum of five regularly recurring three-day weekends each year for federal employees. They said the private employer will enjoy similar gains in efficiency. The Monday holiday will stimulate greater industrial and commercial production, spring business and labor the penalty of mid-week shutdowns.

OK, fine. But how many factories, stores, offices, schools, etc. are closed on these extra Monday holidays? The post office, the banks, federal offices, OK - but what about the rest of the Americans? Don't they rate it as a paid holiday?

So, now back to the real issue. Why was Armistice Day moved just about three weeks from the original date. Other holidays were not. Who wants another Monday holiday in October? One is enough.

Let's put Armistice Day back where it belongs, Nov. 11. If you agree with this, why not write a little note to your state representative in Lansing and ask him to work for action on HB 6213, the bill in the house that would return Armistice Day in Michigan to Nov. 11 in place of the fourth Monday in October.

There is a bill in Washington, HB 180, that would return it on a national basis, but several states have already adopted a state bill to return it to the Nov. 11 date. How about Michigan doing the same.

Come on, readers, let's have some support in Lansing. Show our men who fought in the past, present and future times, we don't want their date tossed around like a limp rag. Get that backbone up and show some determination to get it back. Join the men and women of VFW Post 345 and its auxiliary and write and let your feelings be known. Do it today.

**MRS. ANNA ADRAGNA**  
4th Dist. Legislative Chrm. to Ladies Auxiliary  
345-VFW of Michigan  
Redford Township

## READERS' FORUM

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• Letters must be signed, with the writer's address. Names will be withheld only at the writer's request and for good cause.  
• The editor reserves the right to reject unsuitable letters.

### Is Esch Believable?

**EDITOR:**  
The recent lawsuit by our State Rep. Stempien against Congressman Esch over political signs and the court order against Esch compel me to point out to Tim Richard the substantive issue that Mr. Esch's misleading representations make to the congressional campaign is to raise a question of Mr. Esch's believability.

How can I, as a Livonia resident, believe that Mr. Esch will do what he says he will do in the next Congress on any issue, or that he has done what he claims to have done in the past, if he can't even be honest in presenting his credentials to the residents of Livonia?

I will be watching anxiously the statements and positions of both Mr. Stempien and Mr. Esch in the coming weeks to see where they stand on the issues of importance to our community, but I cannot help feeling that Mr. Esch is just a little less believable after his attempt to present himself to us as being something that he really isn't.

F. M. SMALLWOOD  
Livonia

### Traffic Light Badly Needed

**EDITOR:**  
I would like to suggest that there is a great need for a traffic light at the intersection of Farmington Rd. and Ann Arbor Trail.

I have noticed a great many accidents or near accidents at this intersection. I believe much of the problem has to do with the three-way stop signs and the unusual angle at which Farmington intersects Ann Arbor Trail.

With these factors, plus the fact that a school is located on that corner, with the nature center and the parkway being close by, there is much more possibility for children to get hurt.

Usually no action is taken until a fatality occurs. This time, let me urge the road commission to get out and put up a light at this dangerous intersection before something tragic happens.

RAY MILLER  
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## AREA DEATHS

**LORRAINE S. CARR** - Services for Mrs. Carr, 41, of 31804 Tuscola, Westland, were held in the McFarland - Hoff Funeral Home, Dearborn, with the Rev. Charles R. Cave of Calvary Baptist Church, Dearborn, officiating. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery.

**ELWOOD K. ELLIOTT** - Services for Mr. Elliott, 55, father of David and James Elliott of Plymouth, were held Oct. 13 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul M. Cargio officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

**ALICE L. HAMMILL** - Services for Mrs. Hammill, 66, of 300 E. Liberty, Plymouth, were held Oct. 13 at the Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Philip Roger Magee officiating. She died at her home Oct. 10.

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