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CHURCHES

Evangelical Church
Rev. A. A. Schoen, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 to 11:15.
German service, 10.
English worship, 11:15.
Subject: "The Promise of Strength."
Ladies' Aid Wednesday afternoon.
Evangelical League, Wednesday night.
Junior Choir, Thursday after school.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
Rev. James A. Callahan, Pastor

Sunday masses at 7 a. m., 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m.
Daily mass at 8:00.

Clarenceville M. E. Church
Rev. Robert Richards, Pastor

10:30—Morning worship.
11:30—Sunday School.
7:30—Evening service.

Baptist Church
Rev. J. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:30—Morning worship and communion service.
Subject: "That I May Hold On That For Which I have Been Laid Hold On."
11:45—Bible School with class for all ages.
7:30—Young Peoples Hour.
8:00—Evangelistic service.
Sermon theme, "Christ Died for Three Classes."
Come and worship with us at all these services.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarenceville
Rev. Paul Graunper, Pastor

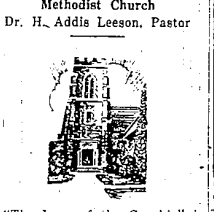
9:30—Sunday School.
10:30—German service.
7:30—Wednesday: Lenten service.
The subject of this year's Lenten services will be the Passion of Christ according to the gospel of John.

St. Martin's Episcopal Mission Church, Clarenceville
Rev. Paul Graunper, Pastor

9:30—Sunday School.
10:30—German service.
Special Lenten service to be held on Ash Wednesday, March 5 at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Ditchborn, pastor.

Methodist Church
Dr. H. Addis Leeson, Pastor

9:30—Sunday School.
10:30—German service.
7:30—Wednesday: Lenten service.



"The Lure of the Gogebic" is the subject of the motion picture film for next Sunday evening. This will be a continuation of the fascinating picture recently shown of the natural wonders of Northern Michigan. The old songs weave their gentle spell as they are sung in the twilight from the screen. This is a happy evening service with variety and interest.

At the morning hour, the beginning of the second half of the conference year will be marked by the service of the communion with appropriate address and music.

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Methodist Sunday School enjoyed as a special feature, last Sunday, a very interesting talk by N. H. Power, who described the beautiful character of George Washington as well as many of the interesting events of his life. Last Sunday was delegated as Washington's Sunday. There was a fine attendance recorded. Don't pass up your opportunity to be in Sunday School next Sunday.
H. L. Whitt, S. S. Supt.

CHURCHES WILL UNITE IN LENTEN SCHOOL

The three pastors of the local churches have conferred together and agreed to undertake a continuation of the co-operative school of religion during the six weeks of the period of Lent. The date of the beginning of this period is March 5th. The School will consist of four elective classes meeting on Monday evenings in the high school. Teachers and subjects will be announced shortly. The first class will be held on the evening of March 10th.

The Oakland Motor Car Company reports heavier sales at the 1930 New York and Chicago automobile shows than were registered during the 1929 shows.

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Editorials

To Be Kept Out

Everyone who has the welfare of Farmington School District at heart cannot but view with sad misgiving the condition in which the District finds itself at this moment. Another week and another meeting of the Board of Education have brought, not a closer approach to harmony and understanding, but a division even more intense and acute.

On the one hand stands the Board, apparently as determined as ever to carry out the policy it laid down two weeks ago. On the other side stands the weight of public opinion showing, if we mistake not, not a diminishing but an increasing resentment toward the Board's ignoring that public opinion. Each is undoubtedly sincere, yet their views are far apart.

Not only does this provide a distressing situation for the District now, but it suggests for the immediate future a condition that we dislike to contemplate. Already much harm has been done. Ordinarily tranquil Farmington is in disquiet. Worst of all, personalities which should never enter a public question, if indeed they have any place anywhere, have raised an ugly head. And even more, we fear, may follow.

We believe there is one way out, one which the Board might take and thereby avoid the continuance and even heightening of this controversy. In other directions one can see only further dissension and discord.

Now, as before, the immediate decision rests with the Board. In the meantime, let us all hope and firmly determine that the acute personal feelings and recriminations which have already appeared here and there must end at once. That way lies disaster.

"Begin the New Year by making your will," says a billboard on Grand River avenue near the east end of Farmington. Now isn't THAT a cheerful thought?

Gangster Or Policeman?

Hardly anybody has bothered to read about the Detroit police trial and its many ramifications lately. During the first few days everyone read eagerly the testimony, as sensation followed sensation. But the day after day sledge-hammer blows to the average citizen's belief and faith in the guardians of public welfare were too much—and most of us gave it up, after high officers of the department started to question the veracity of brother officers (to put it mildly).

The whole thing leads the honest citizen to wonder, if he had to deal with one of the two, whether he would choose a square-shooting gangster or a double-crossing detective. The gangster, at least, doesn't go back on his "pals."

It's right now, and not in the Fall, that 'the melancholy days have come' for people living off the main highway.

A Small Play—A Great Actor

Detroit and vicinity this week is seeing, and quite enthusiastically, Mr. Otis Skinner, one of the finest actors on the stage. The play is "Papa Juan."

As often occurs, the play itself is pleasant but of little moment. The plot is so thin that it scarcely exists at all. Without Mr. Skinner, there would be no play to speak of. With him, it affords a most enjoyable evening.

"Papa Juan" leads one to the conclusion that with players like Mr. Skinner, the less there is to the play, the more it is to the leading actor's credit when it succeeds. And who has seen the one which has not been successful, with Mr. Skinner in the leading role?

Voter's Opportunity

Statistics show that at State and national elections nowadays less than half the people cast their votes.

The first explanation that suggests itself is that of neglect, indifference, disinterest. "People just don't care," is one explanation, while another offers the explanation that people are too much interested in their own work and business to care about public affairs.

But one person whom we think is in a position to judge has recently suggested to us another, and what seems quite plausible explanation. This failure to vote, he says, is not mere neglect. It is deliberate non-voting on the part of at least half of those who do not vote. These people, nearly thirty per cent of the entire voting population, have become so distrustful of national and State officials, so convinced that their ballot will be useless, no matter for whom it is cast, that they choose to voice their protest by deliberately staying away from the polls.

If we accept this theory, regarding State and national elections, then the small governing unit, the township village and smaller cities remain the only places where American citizenship may express itself. It is even more important, then, that the voters, all of them, take an active part in local government. For here, with intelligent participation in affairs by all the people, may lie the only hope of a return to general participation in a real representative government.

Farmington Township citizens, then, should avail themselves of the opportunity presented to them next Monday. The reasons for neglect to vote or for non-voting in State and national elections do not prevail in this election. Most of the voters know the candidates personally, their records and capabilities. They know that all are trustworthy men who will serve the Township to the best of their ability.

Every Farmington Township voter should cast his ballot Monday for the candidates who are, in his opinion, the best men for the work they are to do.