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Editorials

Good People Give—And Goodfellows Smile

Members of the American Legion and the Exchange Club of Farmington revealed happy smiles this week. There was a reason, for they were the Goodfellows and the first report had indicated that their efforts of several weeks were to be rewarded with success.

The worst conditions the country and this community have ever seen, at the time of the greatest need in history, gave the Goodfellows just cause to wonder whether they would succeed.

But Farmington responded with generosity so widespread and so adequate that the need will be met this year as in the past. For three score and more families the long, weary winter will have been broken by at least one happy day and one well-filled table. It will not solve the problem of the poor, but it furnishes one bright spot, and perhaps just one occasion of this kind each year in every community plays a larger part in shaping events than one would suspect.

The many who helped—several times as many as ever before—may sit down to their own laden tables with better grace and keener enjoyment, having shared their good things with some three hundred men, women and children in the community who otherwise would have gone hungry.

For A Solomon And A Job

Just at the very worst time and under the very worst possible conditions, the problem of poor relief is being thrown back upon the officials of various townships and cities of Oakland County, including Farmington. And what a problem!

Within a few weeks time, and in the middle of winter when welfare rolls are at their peak and need the greatest, the Township officials must organize a system to provide ways and means of caring for six or seven hundred people of all ages, living under various conditions and in various places throughout the Township. The obtaining and distribution of food, fuel, and clothing is the first fundamental, but it is the simplest part of the task. Two other things are most essential, a careful scrutiny and investigation of all those applying for and receiving aid, and the proper charging of the costs to other governmental units when the charges belong elsewhere. Add to this the desirability of having those receiving aid perform some services for it, the selection of the right administrative personnel, the need for efficiency and economy in every operation, the reconciling of the requirements of those on the welfare list with the views of the taxpayer and his ability to pay, the clamor of many voices at the same time and the doubts that assail anyone as he goes into new and untried fields—here is a problem that calls for the wisdom of a Solomon and that would try the patience of a Job. It staggers any ordinary man and no wonder the brows of Farmington Township officials are furrowed.

The thing will be carried through, because it must be. Mistakes will be made, unquestionably. Changes there will undoubtedly be in the system of handling things as experience shows them to be desirable. But as the situation calls for good, careful judgment on the part of Township officials, with due regard for the rights of all concerned, so it demands also a degree of patience on the part of those who would tug in either direction. So long as the officials exhibit a fair, considerate attitude toward everyone, an open-minded viewpoint, the courage to do unpleasant things if and when they might prove necessary, and a willingness to profit by experience, they are entitled to the support and co-operation of everyone in their constituency. Such support and co-operation will promote the good of all as well as smoothing the way for those charged with the administrative work.

"Profits Are Honorable"

When all creation seems to shout one thing and all thoughts seem to be running one way, it is refreshing occasionally to hear a voice lifted to call attention to something that is being overlooked in the mad rush. Thus the Midland Republican arrests attention when it essays to turn things around and illuminate for a moment the other side. Under the heading, "Profits Are Honorable," it says:

"It is no uncommon thing these days to find store windows plastered with self-advertisements of goods at 'less than manufacturer's cost.' At a time when deflation is taking place, when it has reached a point where ruin of industry is threatened, even the pretense that somebody is losing money may be a dangerous thing.

"The manufacturer who sells to the merchant at a lower price than it costs him to produce his goods sets a bad example for other manufacturers. The merchant who offers such goods to the public entices them to put off buying more goods until another manufacturer gets hand pressed for cash and makes a similar sacrifice. In such a manufacturer appears the merchant is likely to be without customers. It is a vicious circle once it is begun.

"Times of depression teach us one thing—the necessity of a profit. So long as we seem to have a scorn, a suspicion of profits. Yet they are the basis of all prosperity. If an industry cannot make profit, it will close down and leave its employees without work. If a country is without profits it cannot build new factories, buy new equipment, make new markets. If an industry operates at a loss, it cannot exist as a permanent asset to a community.

"We should look crosswise at those who make money, providing that the profits are reasonable, fair and honestly earned. Such a person or enterprise pays its debts, offers opportunities to its employees and is a credit to those who build it and to the community. The business that operates without a profit is one which should most concern the public."

CHURCHES

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

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

Baptist Church
Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:10 Prayer Meeting.
10:30 Christmas message, "Unto Us A Savior Is Born" Donald McDonald will sing a solo.

11:45 Bible School with classes for all.

6:30 Young Peoples Hour with Mabel Turner a graduate of Moody Bible Institute as speaker.
7:30 Evangelistic service and baptisms. The pastor will speak on "The Wise Men."

Our church extends a wish of a very Merry Christmas to all.

Methodist Church
Rev. F. C. Johnson, Minister

It is significant that as this difficult year draws to a close we discover that Christmas comes on Sunday. Christmas owes its birth to the Christian religion. The greatest gift which Christmas may bring is spiritual. May the peaceful joy of a satisfying Christmas be found in Him who says, "Peace on earth to Men of Good Will."

And on Christmas morning at 10:30 you are invited to worship with us. Rev. F. C. Johnson will bring a Christmas message and we shall sing Christmas songs.

There will be no Sunday evening service. The Wednesday evening Fellowship service will be held as usual at 7:30.

Evangelical Church
H. Niederrhoefer, Pastor

Christmas Day Celebration
10:15 a. m. Divine service.

Text: Luke 2:1-12. Theme: "In The Service Of The King." The Choir will sing: "Come and Worship," Mrs. Edgar organist.

1:15 a. m. Sunday School as usual. Erskine W. Evans, Superintendent. Come with your children.

Clarencville Methodist Church
O. J. Lyon, Minister

10:00 Morning worship.
11:00 Church school.
6:30 Epworth League.

West Point Park Presbyterian Church
Rev. Roy J. Miller, Minister

Christmas Day:
10:30 Sunday School, with simple Christmas emphasis.

11:30 Morning worship. Christmas carols, anthems, duets, and hymns will be sung. Sermon: "We Saw His Star, and Are Come To Worship Him."

Wednesday, January 4:
8:00 p. m. The administrative agencies of the Church will meet in regular monthly session.

WEST FARMINGTON
Mrs. Ervin Knapp

Leona and Edna Tamm, daughters of E. K. Tamm, spent a few days this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tamm. Mrs. James Heliker of Union Lake spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heliker.

The West Farmington School will close Friday for a week's vacation for the holidays.

Mrs. Charles Halsted motored to Ann Arbor Friday afternoon. Mr. Halsted who is attending college spent the week end with his parents.

Ralph Hunt, who has been very ill, is up and able to be about the house.

Mrs. Charles Heliker, who has been very sick, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Howard and Miss Grace Halverson left Monday for Chicago, where they will visit Mrs. Howard's and Miss Halverson's parents and other friends this week.

Edwin Murray, son of Mrs. Sarah Murray, who has been working in Chicago, arrived at his grandparents home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morris and children, who have been ill, are recovering.

Legend of "Lost Tribes"

The century which saw the great discoveries of Columbus and those who followed him, witnessed Jews with almost every expedition of exploration, the so-called "sailing to unexplored regions" thought himself safe without Jewish interpreters. The unknown world was said to be actually inhabited by descendants of the Ten Tribes, and who so able to converse with them as their brethren?

King's Claim to Fame

Francis I. of France has been credited with introducing tapestry weaving into France, establishing a factory at Fontainebleau with Flemish workmen.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Special meeting of the City Commission of Farmington held December 21, 1932.

Called to order by Mayor Lamb at 15 p. m.

Commissioners present: Stammen, Goers, Hatton, Gildemeister, Osmus and Hamlin.

Motion made by Gildemeister, seconded by Osmus that pursuant to public act No. 40 passed by the Special session of the Legislature of the State of Michigan 1932 that the First National Bank of Detroit (Redford Branch) State of Michigan, be and is hereby designated depository for all public moneys including tax moneys of Farmington city for a period ending on the first day of May 1933 or until the successor of L. C. Thayer qualifies in accordance with the law. It is further resolved that the maximum amount to be deposited shall not exceed the sum of \$17206.31. Carried: All yeas.

Motion made by Hatton, seconded by Stammen that the clerk be authorized to issue order for \$34.41 to cover cost of bond. Carried: All yeas.

Adjourned 7:30 p. m.
N. H. POWER, City Clerk.

CHRISTMAS SEALS GIVE LIFE ITSELF TO SICK CHILDREN

Penny Purchases Make Supreme Gift Possible to Youngsters With Tuberculosis

Yuletide gifts of incomparable worth—the chance for life itself—are the present granted this year to two youngsters at Michigan State Sanatorium because of the Christmas seals Michigan people are buying for use on their holiday mail.

Several months ago these youngsters, a girl aged 13 and a boy 18 years old, living in Cheyboygan, were examined by X-ray by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. The X-ray pictures revealed active tuberculosis. Recently entered at the sanatorium both children now stand good chances of recovering their health. "The entire tuberculosis situation in Michigan today sums up to this," states T. J. Werle, executive secretary, in discussing the Michigan Tuberculosis Association's findings in the school. "Childhood is the focal point at which tuberculosis must be attacked. Scores of cases of active disease in children can be uncovered through the tuberculin test and the X-ray."

CAPITAL POLICE HANDLE OVER 3,000 CALLS DAILY

Statistics for the fiscal year recently made public by the Washington, D. C., Police Department show how important is adequate telephone communication to the police and to the people they serve.

Approximately 11,400 telephone calls were handled over the police department switchboard. This is an average of 3,125 calls a day. A total of 23,311 emergency calls were received, asking for police assistance, ambulances, or fire apparatus. In addition, 7,867 incidental calls came regarding ill and injured persons to whom assistance was rendered.

The telegrapher system recorded 23,494 messages received and transmitted, and in addition there were 12,775 "dash" messages, consisting of inquiries and matters requiring immediate attention, thus making a total of 36,269 typed dispatches.

The Police Department was one of the first subscribers to telephone service in the City of Washington. As early as 1878, all of the police stations in the city were equipped with telephones.

TELEPHONE NUMBER PROVES CLUE TO WOMAN'S IDENTITY

An anonymous victim, a woman, was found wandering about the streets of Atlantic City not long ago, unable to give any clue to her name or home. After several hours of patient questioning she did recall a telephone number. The police looked over the telephone directories of several cities and finally discovered the central office designation "Adams," the one given by the woman, as a Washington, D. C., office. A call to that city, handed the matter up, and in a few days the woman was able to identify the number, thanks to the telephone number that remained in a memory cell of her brain.

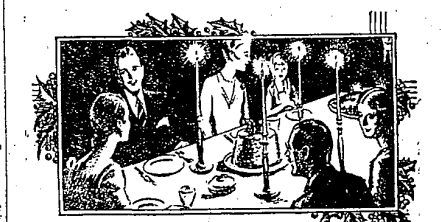
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and the
New Year
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Phone 62 Farmington



To All Our Friends And Patrons

We wish you a most Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
We appreciate the opportunity to serve you throughout the year.

Farmington Lumber & Coal Co.

CARL G. HOGLE, Mgr. Phone 20 Farmington

Holiday Greetings TO OUR FRIENDS IN FARMINGTON

We are not unmindful nor unappreciative of the courtesies shown us through the year, and we hope that in 1933 we may show our gratitude by serving you again.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and good wishes for the NEW YEAR

Nick Bos, Florist

Hemlock Stop Phone Redford 10

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