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## EDITORIALS

### Make This A Friendly Christmas

Christmas time is friendship time. We've always noted the particularly friendly feeling that exists at Christmas time, greater than at any other season of the year.

This year there is little display of Christmas, so far as lighted windows and gaily decorated Christmas trees are concerned. There are no colored lights strung across the highway, and there is no community Christmas tree. Even the stores do not seem to be as gaily decorated for Christmas as they have been in past years. Many people who have always made quite an occasion of Christmas, are this year having only a small tree, and limiting the celebration to just the immediate family.

All of these changes in our usual Christmas observance add up to just one thing, and that is that this year above all others, we must do our utmost to make this a truly friendly Christmas. Go out of your way to extend a cheery greeting to those friends that you seldom see, to those that perhaps will not have many greetings coming their way, and to those that are far from home.

We are all going to have to find our pleasure closer to home, with gasoline rationing cutting our pleasure driving completely, and Christmas is an excellent time to begin. Get acquainted with those new people next door, or down the block a ways—you might be amazed to find out what very nice people they are. The best possible way of making yourself known is by a "Merry Christmas" greeting.

We know that you have all sent a greeting to the soldiers that you know—and perhaps to some who were just a speaking acquaintance. We've recently heard of a family who are carying this just a little further, and are inviting four soldiers into their home to spend the day. Many of us can not do that, but we certainly commend anyone who can, and does offer this hospitality to soldiers in this vicinity. We can speak to all the service men we meet, however. Call out a gay "Merry Christmas" and while you're helping out their Christmas, you will be surprised to find how much you are adding to your own.

Let's all endeavor to make this the friendliest Christmas we have ever known, and despite the sadness that may be in our heart, it will be a Merry Christmas, after all.

### We Solicit Your Support

As we approach the end of 1942, we like to feel that during the past year The Enterprise has made some new friends, and in the year to come we will not only retain those friends, but even more will join the growing family of Enterprise subscribers.

We strive to promote everything that will help to win the War, for the Enterprise is all out for Victory. The Enterprise has lost men from its staff to the Armed Forces, but this isn't being all out for Victory—it's only the beginning.

The Enterprise, through its news and editorial columns, through its display advertising, is keeping you informed of every vital duty you must perform to help win. As a free American voice, representing hundreds of American people, it is a go-between for the government and the people—for the advertisers and the people. The Enterprise has created and printed campaigns—you will recall them, the campaigns for the sale of War Bonds, the collection of salvage material, the recruiting of servicemen. These are the things that make the Enterprise actively all out for Victory.

With your help we can make 1943 a banner year for accomplishment. We need your continued interest and support, and assure you that we will give our best efforts in return.

## Churches

**FIRST METHODIST**  
 Rev. Howard C. Buschell, Pastor  
 Church School, 9:30  
 Morning Worship, 10:30  
 Methodist Youth Fellowship, from 6th grade through High School age, meeting in two groups, Sundays, at 8:00 p. m.  
 Choir Rehearsal, Thursday at 7:30, at the church.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
 Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor  
 Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 and 12:15.  
 Masses on Holy Days at 5:30, 7:30 and 9:00 a. m.  
 Daily Masses at 6:30 and 8:00 a. m.

**REDFORD GOSPEL TABERNACLE**  
 1800 Lahser Road  
 Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
 Pentecostal prayer and praise service, 11:00 a. m.

**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH**  
 (Formerly Methodist)  
 Meets at the Macabee Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.  
 Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor  
 Mr. Leon Newman, Sunday School Superintendent  
 Morning Worship, 10:00 a. m.  
 Sunday School, 11:00 a. m.  
 Wednesday, 7:15 p. m., All-Week Prayer and Praise Meeting.

**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Cambridge and Grand River, Farmington, Michigan  
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor

Marian P. Owen, Music and Religious Education Director  
 Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
 Morning Worship, 11:15 a. m.  
 Methodist Youth Fellowship, 6:15 p. m.  
 Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
 "The Friendly Church"  
 Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor  
 Morning prayer circle, 10:15.  
 Morning worship, 10:30. Baptist Education Sunday will be recognized by a Students Homecoming Service. The message of the service will be delivered by Robert Greenman, student at Chicago's Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.  
 Bible School, 11:45.  
 Junior and Senior B.Y.P.U. groups will be held.  
 Evening prayer circle, 7:00.  
 Evangelistic service, 7:30. Special music and brief messages will be presented by Ruth Greenman, Clyde Greenman, Robert Greenman and Margaret Miles.

**WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH**  
 Rev. J. H. Sandercock, Pastor  
 Evangeline B. Farnum, Founder and Evangelist

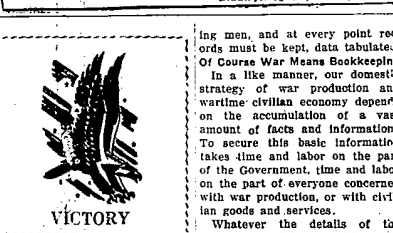
**SUNDAY**  
 10 a. m., Bible School, all ages.  
 11:15 a. m., Morning Worship, all ages.  
 Series of messages on the present world conditions as seen in how God is working out his plan in this world.

**WEDNESDAY**  
 8 p. m., Prayer and Praise Service.

**FRIDAY**  
 10:11 a. m., Bible School, all ages.  
 1:00 p. m., Missionary meeting. Devotional at the table plans are being made for a new building. Sunday services are held in P.T.A. building, back of Pierson school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Road. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
 New High School Auditorium, Farmington

"Christian Science" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 27.  
 The Golden Text (John 14:16-17) is: "If ye love me, keep my commandments, and ye shall abide in me, and my Father shall love you, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth."  
 Among the Bible citations in this passage (Matthew 1:23): "And ye shall call his name Immanuel, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people."  
 Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p.147): "Our Master healed the sick, practiced Christian healing, and taught the generalities of his divine Principle to his students; but he left no definite rule for demonstrating this Principle of healing and preventing disease. This rule remained to be discovered in Christian Science."



Military strategy depends very largely for success upon information—as full and accurate as possible—about the disposition of enemy supplies and reserves. Lack of such information or inaccurate reports have caused military disasters.

The armor-forges and military intelligence necessarily must devote a great deal of time and often hazardous effort to getting the facts on which are based offensive, large or small. Thus the preliminary exploration of the situation in French North Africa was more than a daring exploit; it laid the groundwork for all our later movements in that area. More recently, it was vital to naval strategy in the Mediterranean to find out precisely what degree of damage the French fleet at Toulon had suffered.

**Army Food An Exact Science**  
 In the service of supply it is equally necessary to have exact information on the needs of the armed forces in food and equipment adapted to the particular climatic and combat circumstances under which they will be used. Laboratory research by the Quartermaster Department and by private industry has developed an extraordinary variety of products—dehydrated foods, dairy products, and sweets—which will stand temperatures ranging from 120 degrees F. to 20 below zero. The final test, however, is not in the laboratory, but in useful, our fighting men, and at every point records must be kept, data tabulated. Of course War Department bookkeeping in this manner, our domestic strategy of war production and wartime civilian economy depends on the accumulation of a vast amount of facts and information. To secure this basic information takes time and labor on the part of the Government, time and labor on the part of everyone connected with war production, or with civilian goods and services.

Whatever the details of the measures used in controlling prices, for example, it is inevitable that at every stage of distribution from raw materials to finished products, there will be more record-keeping and bookkeeping than in the case under peacetime conditions. Price control, to be effective, must be based on accurate figures. Since last April, when the general maximum price regulation went into effect, retail prices have had to file with their local boards ceiling prices on many items, such as clothing, furniture, hardware, and fuel—all of them of greatest importance in the family expense budget. Distributors, manufacturers, and producers of raw materials also must keep a great many records of transactions and report on their stocks of essential goods or products. Extra time and labor is involved in all these operations, but they pay immense dividends in the billions of dollars saved by consumers. And everyone is a consumer.

Employers of labor must keep detailed records of their current labor supply in order to meet production schedules—records as detailed as those of a military "task force." Next year, it is estimated, one out of every five men now employed in war plants will go into military service. A plan known as the "manning tables" system has been worked out so that this can be done without slowing war production. It involves listing necessary jobs within each of these industries, and preparation of schedules in each department of a war plant or war essential service. How long it will take to train a new worker to replace one taken into service.

**Replacing Men Who Are Called**  
 Replacements must be women (women are counted upon to fill about 30 per cent of all war jobs); older men and others not subject to the draft, physically handicapped persons, and those who previously have been denied employment because of racial or worker prejudice. Under this plan, war workers who would be called into service may be deferred until their places are filled by trained substitutes.

More efficient use of our existing labor force is being developed through the work of labor-management committees in 1,700 war plants through a program for training and upgrading workers and by encouraging a multitude of time and labor-saving operations. A labor-management group, representing the railroads, is working on a plan to shift labor temporarily from one road to another to meet shortages, and a similar plan calls for organizing a mobile corps of experienced farm workers, aided by local volunteers, to meet peak-season labor demands.

**A Many-Sided Problem**  
 The whole manpower situation, involving as it does the critical balance between Selective Service and war industry, is by no means a simple problem capable of a single solution. Efficient use of manpower in the broadest sense must take into account (1) the person on the job, (2) the time (Continued on Page Nine)

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Friday, December 28, 1917)  
 Has Made Five Air Trips

Lieut. Harley Warner of Wilbur Wright Flying Field at Dayton, Ohio, wrote this week that he has made five trips by aeroplane now. In the latter he says "It surely is hard to describe just how it seems to be flying around in the air, a mile or two above solid ground, but to say the least it sure is fascinating—that is, after you have become accustomed to it. The engine we use is the Curtiss 5-cylinder, 100 H.P.; "V" type of motor, turning over about 1400 revolutions per minute, ships weigh about 2,000 pounds."

**Shop Closed**  
 The Chamberlain barber shop was closed all day Christmas, the first time in 30 years that the shop has not done business a part of the day on December 25th.

**Christmas Party**  
 The Fairview School, Miss Orene Haberbell, teacher, held a delightful Christmas entertainment Thursday evening, the school house being filled with guests. At the conclusion of the program the teacher was presented with a handsome vase.

**TEN YEARS AGO (Thursday, December 22, 1932)**  
 Township Board Rueses Plan For Aid

With little more than a week remaining to complete organization of a Farmington Township welfare system, the Township Board is working long hours so that everything will be ready by January 1. Pending the receipt of the \$7,700 welfare loan requested from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, food and other supplies will be distributed directly to Township recipients through a Township Store, rather than by orders on privately owned stores.

**Many Pupils Ill; School Closed**  
 Farmington Schools were ordered closed Thursday afternoon by Dr. J. H. Smith, Farmington health officer, following a conference with members of the Board of Education and Supt. John Dalrymple. The closing was thought advisable because of the prevalence of gripe among the pupils in practically every grade of the school.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (Thursday, December 30, 1937)**  
 "Tired" Road Liked

A third mill route out of Farmington Postoffice, shown to be imperative by the tremendous volume of mail which was so overloaded the present capacity that Christmas cards were still being sorted five days after Christmas day, is likely to be established in the near future. The present Route 2, with its 1,100 boxes, is over 50 miles long.

**Another Master Craftsman Passes Away**  
 Not an unskilled hand craftsman but a disappearing from the land is lost to Farmington in the sudden death Tuesday afternoon of Albert L. Bruder, whose funeral will be held Friday at two o'clock at the residence at Farmington and Oakland Roads.

**Bank Pays Dividend on Stock**  
 Further indication that the faith in the community and its financial future, was well founded in the establishment of The Farmington State Bank is afforded in the declaration of a cash dividend to stockholders, which will be paid within the next ten days. The dividend by which holders of common stock in the bank will receive 50 cents per share, represents a five per cent on each \$10 share.

## Living Religion

Rev. Howard Busching

Any song is more meaningful if and John 1:14. we know something about its writer. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was written by none other than Phillips Brooks, prince of American preachers. No matter how long ago it was written by an unknown hymn-writer in France in the early part of the eighteenth century, it will surely say that this beautiful song will endure even longer, probably in the private chapel of some wealthy Roman Catholic or in the family of some Latin, under the title "Adeste Fideles." It is the author of another forty different Christmas songs which are English translations of it have been made, the most popular of which is that written in 1841 when he was Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. His translation we most often hear in the Christmas week of 1865 Brooks was visiting in Bethlehem and rode through the surrounding hills on a starlit night. That provided the inspiration for his song. The tune was written by the organist of Brooks' church. Christmas approached he told his organist he had written a simple carol for which he needed a tune. The tune was written in great haste the night before Christmas. It must have been inspired; for his fame has spread as the Portuguese Hymn—The biblical text for this carol is Luke 2:15, 20.

# Christmas

## Still Stands Unconquered

1942 GREETINGS FROM THIS BANK

Like a city that cannot be taken, a candle that cannot be stormed, Christmas still stands triumphant, as it has stood throughout the centuries.

The blacker the misdeeds of men, the whiter shines the Christmas light against the background of human depravity.

War has robbed Christmas of much of its merriment this year, but it has revealed to us more clearly the eternal value of sacrifice for others and for the things that are right.

Our hopes for the future, as always, are centered in Him who said, "Be of good cheer. It is I. Be not afraid."

NO BANKING BUSINESS WILL BE TRANSACTED ON THIS HOLIDAY

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