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Editorials

Worth While

If there had been any doubt before as to the wisdom and necessity of having a committee of Farmington business men to pass on solicitors working in the community, the desirability of such a system was made clear by reports in the Detroit Sunday papers. One of them reads as follows:

"The 'charity racket' is costing Detroit \$500,000 a year.

"This amount, it is estimated, is going into the pockets of 'racketeers' who, wrapping about themselves the cloak of charity, are making fat livings off the generous impulses of Detroiters. Most profitable of the charity rackets are the entertainment swindle and the collection graft. Acting under the orders of Mayor Lodge, the police now are engaged in a campaign to keep the racketeers from coaxing dollars from the pockets of the unwary during the Christmas season. Inspector Frank Rode has ordered all known racketeers to fold their tents."

How Detroit deals with these charity racketeers is shown by the following:

Issuance of court summonses for two men charged with soliciting funds without a permit from the mayor, and signing of complaints against two other men and a woman, on which additional summonses will be based marked the beginning of a drive Saturday by the police, the Detroit Business Bureau and religious organizations to halt wholesale solicitation of holiday gifts by questionable charities.

Farmington business-men have undoubtedly been mulcted for many dollars in the past. Although the sum would be small in comparison with \$500,000, the loss of it hurts just as much. Every business-man will find it to his good to put up one of the cards provided by the Exchange Club.

"Just A Mailbox"

Out northwest of Farmington, in front of one farm home there is a mail-box. Now of course there are mail boxes in front of all, or most farm homes. But this one is an exception.

Any one who has passed the home of Elliott Sprague will remember the figure of Uncle Sam which supports the mail-box. It is perfectly modelled and painted in full color, red, white and blue.

This mail-box is one of those little things that one comes upon with great satisfaction, because it shows that somebody cares, somebody has been thoughtful enough to make attractive so commonplace a thing as a mail-box.

Abandon The Pretense

Quite the best thing that has been said by anyone at the University of Michigan about the hiring of athletes (which caused a hubbub a few weeks ago and is already largely forgotten) was the proposal of Dr. George E. Carrothers, director of the department of high school examination.

Dr. Carrothers advocates hiring of athletes outright. He says:

"We can't expect athletes to put in hours of their time in practice and keep up a full academic schedule. Let's abandon the pretense. Let them complete the college course over a

seven or eight-year period of part-time study, and let them be paid what they earn for their work on the athletic teams."

The suggested system might not prove to be ideal. But it would eliminate the worst feature of present conditions, which is the immense hypocrisy developed by an attempt to make college athletics appear as amateur athletics.

Here's One For 'Em

"Whatever your household problem—read our Woman's Page," advises a billboard advertisement by a Detroit newspaper.

We don't know much about women's household problems but we do know enough to be willing to bet we can state one that the "Woman's Page" can't solve. That is, how to get the men of the family to help out with the dishes.

Save A Life

130,000 lives are saved each year because the tuberculosis death rate is less than half of what it was 25 years ago. Tuberculosis is Christmas seals, the twenty-second annual sale of which is now being concluded, have done much to effect this tremendous saving of lives.

The work of the Christmas seal is illustrated in Michigan by just one activity of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. During 1929 the Association's clinics provided free chest examinations for more than 2,100 persons. Most of these patients, otherwise would not have received such an examination, and some undoubtedly would have come to an untimely death had it not been for the findings of the clinic.

Say it with seals this Christmas, and someone might not have to "say it with flowers" so soon. Save a life this year with "Christmas seals."—Michigan Bulletin.

Free Speech

President Hoover ordered the immediate release of a number of boy and girl Communists, who had been thrown into jail by the Washington police while holding a "red" demonstration at the very portals of the White House. The prompt action of the president will meet with the approval of the American public.

As the president pointed out, to imprison them would be giving them an air of martyrdom and the publicity they were seeking. Besides they were only boys and girls—misguided perhaps—but some day with great potentialities as citizens when youth and passion have been replaced with age and reason.

In this day when we are facing so much fanaticism, when there is such a tendency to make the law vengeful instead of hopeful, when we are urged to rule by statute instead of education, the widest latitude should be given those with real or fancied wrongs who desire to be heard in the public places. Unless the destruction of this government is in danger we should not attempt to abridge the utterance of any man. As Charles Bradlaugh so aptly said:

"Without free speech no search for truth is possible; without free speech no discovery of truth is useful; without free speech all progress is checked and the nations no longer march forward toward the nobler life which the future holds for man. Better a thousandfold abuse of free speech than a denial of free speech. The abuse dies in a day, but the denial slays the life of the people, and entombs the hope of the race"—Ionia County News.

CHURCHES

Clarenceville M. E. Church
Rev. Robert Richards, Pastor
10:30—Morning worship.
11:30—Sunday School.
7:30—Evening service.

Evangelical Church
Rev. A. A. Schoen, Pastor

(Christmas Services):
Sunday, December 22.
Sunday School, 10-11.
German service, 10.
English service, 11.
Subject: "Receiving Christ."
Christmas Eve, 7:30 o'clock.
Service for Sunday School and congregation.
Introductory service.
Songs and recitations by the Beginners and Primary Department.

Pagant by the entire school, entitled "Star of Hope."
White gifts and other gifts.

Baptist Church
Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

Christmas Sunday:
10:30—Morning worship.
The Pastor will bring a Christmas message and the Choir will sing an anthem.

11:45—Bible School with classes for all ages.
We are hoping to set a new attendance record. Every scholar should be present.

6:30—Young Peoples Hour with a special program.
7:30—Evangelistic service.
The Choir will bring special messages in song and Mr. LeHays will sing the "Holy City." The sermon subject will be, "The Passing of Life's Opportunity." The ordinance of Baptism will be a part of this service.
Monday night the Bible School program will be given at eight o'clock.

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

Special Christmas services.
On Christmas Eve, Midnight mass.
The choir will sing Leonards Mass. Midnight mass will be a High Mass followed immediately by a low mass of Thanksgiving. Children's mass Christmas day at 9 o'clock.

Methodist Church
Dr. H. Addis Leeson, Pastor

A full Christmas program with attractive features at each service is announced for the Methodist Church. The pastor's Christmas sermon is entitled "Wonderful." In the evening at 7:30 a beautiful cantata "The Messiah's Coming" will be presented by the choir.

At the Sunday School hour there will be a visit to Nazareth the home town of Jesus by the use of a movie travel picture. The movies will again be brought into use at the Sunday School party on Monday evening. "Ten Year Old" in the "Our Gang" series is said to be the funniest ever. It will be given Monday evening. And a Christmas play with plenty of local color will also be presented.

Everybody invited to share the festivities of the season in connection with the church. Worship and a thought of gratitude and love for the great institution which has perpetuated the Christmas ideals should not be wanting in any of us.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarenceville
(At West Road)
Rev. Paul Graupner, Pastor

Sunday, December 22:
10:30—English service.
2:00—Sunday School.
Christmas Eve at 8:00 o'clock.
Special Christmas service for Parochial and Sunday School.
Christmas Day at 10:30. German service.
No Bible class next Thursday.

Officers Elected

John A. Fridenberg was elected president of the Community Council at the meeting on Monday evening at Walked Lake. E. L. McQuern was elected vice-president and Miss Lura Steinmetz secretary and treasurer. In taking office Mr. Fridenberg called on the members of the organization to think of the Community Council more than once a month and consider the ways in which the group can aid the community.

Mrs. George Heliker, Mrs. E. L. McQuern and Mrs. J. A. Devereaux were appointed a committee to arrange the supper for the next meeting of the council.

The Christmas Tree

I love the evening hour, with lights turned low
When the house is still, and I sit in the glow
Of the Christmas tree.

When the tasks unfinished are forgot for the day
And peace comes stealing, in the twinkling ray
Of the Christmas tree.

The little feet have ceased their busy tread
And they're sleeping soundly, snugly tucked in bed
Near the Christmas tree.

I've answered their questions, set their minds well at rest
And the hour has come with a misty cast
On the Christmas tree.

The tinsel glitters, shaping castles rare
Just things of beauty, still mystery there
Round the Christmas tree.

For the thoughts that come stealing and linger so near
Are dreams of tomorrow and ghosts of last year
Near the Christmas tree.

So I sit in the candle light just here in our home,
The hour is all mine, to commune in alone
With the Christmas tree.

—Imogen Ely Bicking.

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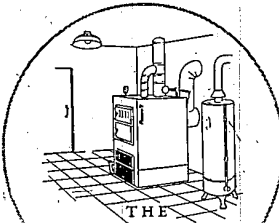
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