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## EDITORIALS

### Wading Pool

Farmington children are to have a recreational pool that will furnish them with safe and refreshing enjoyment in the hot summer days. For this, the City of Farmington should be very proud. Few towns of this size have the interest or desire to give their young folks a chance. It should do much towards cutting down the huge death toll in our lakes, by furnishing these smaller children with a safe place to play. Instead of long drives to lakes where adequate supervision is impossible, these children can enjoy a lake practically in their back yard under the guidance of a supervisor.

The Farmington Kiwanis Club, who are sponsoring the entire project have caught the true spirit of community pride and foresight. It is only through groups similar to this with the desire to improve and build, that attitudes of fair play and cooperation can be aroused among our children. By performing such tasks we are able to cut down delinquency and show these young people that they are being considered. As long as private organizations use their initiative to make this country better for all the people, we in America have no need to fear which way we are going.

### Letters to the Editor

In the July 10 issue of the "Enterprise," the people of Farmington were urged to express themselves in the Letters to the Editor column. Apparently this point was not made strong enough.

This paper is for you, carries events which concern you and your way of life in this community. Also these columns are open for your comments and criticisms. The "Enterprise" urges you most strongly to take advantage of the opportunity to speak as you see fit. In a world that is so oppressed and tied down, and where free speech is something to dream about, Americans should use the privilege afforded them.

As was stated in the earlier issue, you no doubt feel deeply many questions of importance both in Farmington and the nation. You will many times not agree with the comments presented in the editorial columns of the "Enterprise." When you do not agree feel perfectly free to express your attitudes on the subject. It is not our intention now or ever to keep opinions couched from ours or of our newspaper.

Here is your opportunity—write your own editorials.

## Other Editors Say

V. . . . V. . . . V.

(Christian Science Monitor)

Sunday was V Day. Europe saw V's everywhere. Vegetable Vendors arranged their wares in V's. Belgians were reported vigorously stamping V's onto the backs of Nazi uniforms via pseudo-friendly slaps on the shoulder. V's Vied for wall space, were Voted on the air waves, were tapped out (V. . . .) in Morse code, were VIVID in the sky where searchlights signalled the symbol of British Victory.

Did the Nazis notice? Yes. They noticed with sufficient apprehension to try to adopt the V for their own uses. They redoubled it to Poles, at all places—as the symbol of Nazi "Victory." One could imagine how the Poles would decipher it. The Nazis explained to others that it meant "Veni, Vidi, Vici." "I came, I saw, I conquered."

Knowing something—but apparently not all about mass psychology, Berlin is aware of the T.N.T. in the V campaign. But in their attempt to sow confusion among oppressed peoples, they have unwittingly provided a screen for those who are rebuilding European morale. Imagine a Frenchman writing a V on a wall. He is accused of T.N.T. or a Nazi officer. "What are you doing?" the officer asks. "Ha, ha," laughs the Frenchman agreeably, "I am writing a V for Victory. Ha, ha!"

The officer may feel Vexed, Vague, Vain, Vengeful, Vengeful, Vengeful. But the V will probably stay, at least until the Nazis admit that it does not really stand for "Victory" at all, but bespeaks the disgust and hatred most of Europe feels for Nazi Violence.

### Growing Pains

(Exchange)

It's no fun to grow up. Not for individual people, and not for countries. So many responsibilities go with it!

We've often suspected, especially during the last 30 years, that America was growing up, bulging out of those short pants we wore until the turn of the century, and yet not used to long ones.

If you need any further evidence of the fact, note that the Los Angeles city council has passed an ordinance making it illegal to wait around and watch the trains come in.

When free American citizens no longer have the right to cluster round the "depo" to watch "Old Number Nine" or "The Cannon

ball" go thundering through, that's a sign that something's wrong. Maybe it's our freedom—maybe on the other hand, it's just our youth.

### An Honor to the Theater

(Exchange)

In the long ago when theatergoers were grateful to Germany for inspiring a brand of stage comic called the German comedian, Lew Fields put the theater in his debt with his gift of making laughter, with the confluence of his partner, Joe Weber. A couple of first-generation Polish-Americans, they were learning to fend for themselves while still children in New York City's Ritz Side. They built their entertainments out of the simple elements things they had found out about when they had to be funny if they didn't eat.

They performed in their notion of German dialect—which was really English as spoken by a new citizen who was still thinking in his native tongue. The grotesque verbiage in itself was funny, and when spoken in all sincerity by the antic pair, the result was uproarious. Fields was always the wise one and Weber the glib victim in their acts, a device for making any audience laugh that was deftly practiced by the funmakers in the ancient Greek theaters.

One thing Lew Fields was sure of, after 33 years in a profession, he was to follow for sixty years—a half-color joke does not amuse the whole audience. So the expensive and well-produced entertainments he put on alone or in partnership with Joe Weber, though they were often the heartiest sort of slapstick humor, had the general reputation of being suitable family audiences who liked musical travesties and vaudeville. From any point of view, the firm named Weber and Fields is an honor to the theater.

### Fighting the Farmer's Battle

(Ionia County News)

The agricultural marketing co-operatives are doing one of the biggest jobs in their history on behalf of the farmer.

It is these groups which are taking the lead in fighting equality for agriculture. That means that the farmer shall be treated, in these changing times, on the same basis as labor and industry. It means that his problems shall be given the same consideration that is given to the problems of other national groups.

## CHURCHES

All notices for this column must be in the Enterprise office not later than Tuesday at noon.

**SALEM EVANGELICAL**  
Rev. Carl Schultz, Pastor  
Church at 10:00.  
Sunday School at 11:00.

**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED**  
Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor  
Church service, 10 a. m.  
Sunday School, 11 a. m.  
Young People's Meeting at 6:30 p. m.  
Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor  
Sunday Masses at 7:00; 8:30; 10:30 a. m., and at 12 noon.  
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**  
18000 Lahser Road  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Pentecostal prayer and praise service, 11:00 a. m.

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
"The Friendly Church"  
Gilbert A. Miles, Pastor  
Morning prayer meeting, 10:15.  
Morning worship, 10:30.  
Bible School, 11:45. We have a good class for every age, group and all who are not attending some other school are invited to come.  
B. Y. P. U., 6:30.  
Evening evangelistic meeting at 7:30.

**West Point Bible Church**  
Brangeline B. Parum,  
Founder and Evangelist  
Rev. J. H. Sandercok, Pastor  
SUNDAY  
10 a. m., Bible School, all ages.  
11:15 a. m., Morning Worship. A 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., Radio Glee Club (high school girls and boys).  
1:30-4 p. m., Missionary meeting.

**SPECIAL NOTICE**  
Due to the fact that 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.

### FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY

23608 Warner Avenue  
Rev. Orville J. Widdell, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.  
Teaching, preaching and singing the gospel of Christ.  
Everybody welcome.

**First Methodist**  
Rev. Howard C. Busching, Pastor  
Morning Worship at 10:30. The subject of the sermon by the pastor will be "The Church in the Future."

Church School, 12 noon.  
Vacation church school will be held next week, August 4-9, during the mornings, at the church.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

33200 Seven Mile Road  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching, 11 a. m.  
Sunday Evening, 7:45 p. m.

**Clarenceville Methodist Church**  
Elzie A. Johns, Pastor  
Church at 10:00 a. m.  
Sunday School at 11:15 a. m.  
Classes for all ages.

Miss Marian Owen will play the hand organ at both services. Come and hear this fine musician and hear Miss Johns preach. Sermon theme: "God Does Care."

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
New High School Auditorium  
Farmington, Michigan  
"Love" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, August 3.

The Golden Text (Leviticus 1:7) is: "The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing." Among the Bible citations is this (Psalm 5:8-12): "Praise thee, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face. For thou, Lord wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield. Corruptive passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with

### After Dark!!...by Rice

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AGAINST NIGHT TRAFFIC FATALITIES**

**THE NATION'S NO. 1 HIGHWAY IS THE NATION'S NO. 1 DEATH TRAP AT NIGHT,**

**AND IT'S TYPICAL OF MAJOR HEAVILY TRAVELLED HIGHWAYS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY THAT MOST ARE LIGHTED FOR YOUR SAFETY.**

**THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON BOULEVARD-MAJOR HIGHWAY TO THE NATION'S CAPITAL**

**EVERY YEAR THE 27 MILE HIGHWAY HAS AVERAGED ABOUT 33 PEOPLE KILLED ABOUT 22 AT NIGHT**

**IN 1940 THE HIGHWAY KILLED 44 PEOPLE 29 AT NIGHT**

**What? Because nothing has been done about the real problem? 12-30 lights, 100 people injured, 86 years.**

### THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

Pots, pans, broken toys, cocktail shakers, and a wide variety of odds and ends were hunted out in millions of American homes last week in preparation for the Nation-wide collection of scrap aluminum this week.

Five States beat the gun and started their drives early. Mayor F. H. LaGuardia, Director of the Office of Civilian Defense, reported. Others joined as the campaign was launched formally this Monday.

The goal was 20,000,000 pounds of aluminum for bombers, fighting planes, and other military uses. Urgent Problem of Aluminum

Meanwhile, the Office of Production Management denounced public statements that aluminum production is adequate for defense needs.

Director General William S. Knudsen and Associate Director General Sidney Hillman, while explaining that there has been no "substantial curtailment" of defense operations caused by a lack of aluminum, cited these facts:

Total military requirements for aluminum for the second half of 1941 are 4,000,000 pounds. Production of virgin aluminum ingots will be 327,000,000 pounds during the same period. The output from secondary metal, which cannot be widely used for direct military purposes, may bring the total to 4,000,000.

"These figures clearly show that there will be no new aluminum available for civilian use," OPM said, "but there is and will be an urgent problem involved in supplying enough fabricated aluminum parts at the places where they are needed when they are needed for defense production alone."

Five Companies Recommended  
OPM recommended five companies to operate seven new Government-owned aluminum plants previously proposed. It also advised the War Department to build a plant for the production of 400,000 pounds of alumina—a preliminary step in aluminum manufacture.

The seven aluminum plants will add 600,000,000 pounds to U.S. capacity, raising it to a total of 1,400,000,000 a year.

While OPM moved to increase production of vital raw materials, OPACS drew the line sharper on aluminum allocations for the manufacture of automobiles, domestic refrigerators, and household laundry equipment.

The program, announced following a series of conferences with industry representatives, will cut consumption of scarce metals in half. OPACS estimated 4,200,000 tons of iron and steel and "substantial amounts" of nickel, copper, tin, zinc, aluminum, chromium, and lead will be saved for more essential civilian needs.

### JOB SHORTAGE EXISTS IN DEFENSE PLANTS

Michigan employers face an acute shortage of manpower in 209 occupations important to the operation of national defense manufacturing plants, it was revealed in Detroit this week by V. R. Steinbaugh, Director of the Michigan Unemployment Compensation Commission.

The Unemployment Compensation Commission, Steinbaugh announced, based its "shortage of manpower" prediction on labor needs for the six-month period ending October 31, as reported by 1,050 plants with about 635,000 employees in "defense industries."

In 109 of the occupations in which shortages exist or will exist, employers' estimates of their net demand for workers is equal to or greater than the number of workers actively registered with the Commission's Michigan State Employment Service division as "qualified and available for referral."

A survey of remaining occupations in which shortages may exist indicates the shortage is due to a lack of qualified workers in local areas, even though some excess supply exists in the State as a whole.

The 209 occupations account for 54,215, or 90 per cent of the total of 60,110 net hires reported by all plants in the Commission's survey of labor needs. Of the occupations surveyed, 16 are in the professional and managerial group, 24 in skilled, 59 in semi-skilled, and 9 in unskilled classifications.

A survey covering selected occupations indicates that the Employment Service on May 16 had anticipated 30,811 workers qualified and available for referral to meet anticipated hires by employers totalling 54,245.

By October 31, it is expected there will be a shortage of 25,534 workers to fill definite openings in these selected occupations.

The largest share of anticipated hiring in the selected occupations is reported for unskilled classes, with nearly 10 per cent of the total in that category. However, hires in skilled and semi-skilled occupations are expected to be nearly as large.

During May and most of June the largest share of anticipated hiring was among the skilled workers, as the selected plants reported expected additions of 9,536 skilled, 6,768 unskilled and 5,981 semi-skilled workers in the "shortage occupations."

For numerous individual occupations outside of the unskilled group, anticipated hiring for May and June exceeded the actively registered supply of "referrable" workers in May by at least 100.

For many of these occupations, the area of severe shortage is Detroit. About 50 per cent of the total anticipated hiring was reported by Detroit plants.

Steinbaugh warned that the significance of his report may be limited by the extent to which the reported labor need will actually be satisfied by transfer of workers from non-defense to defense production as a result of the curtailment of non-defense automobile production of 1942 models, instead of by new hiring.

Because of the continually expanding momentum of the defense (Continued on Page Three)

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TEN YEARS AGO (July 30, 1931)

Traffic is again flowing freely both ways along Grand River avenue, in Farmington, after a period of more than a year, during which the road was closed part of the time to vehicles traveling one way or the other. A smooth new stretch of concrete 50 feet wide greeted motorists last Friday, upon the opening of the new construction.

Farmington volunteer firemen fight blaze at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery for four hours. The service building at the cemetery was almost completely destroyed despite the efforts of the Farmington, Royal Oak and Redford fire departments.

Mayor Arthur Lamb named a member of the central finance control committee of Oakland County, created Wednesday by the Board of Supervisors to make efforts to improve the County's financial position. By a margin of four votes, electors of School District No. 6, Farmington Township, Monday evening approved a proposition to erect a temporary school to take care of pupils who cannot be housed in the District's two school buildings.

FIVE YEARS AGO (July 30, 1936)

Supt. John Dalrymple of Farmington Public Schools announces the addition of Public Speaking for Juniors and Seniors, a year's course of one semester of Sociology and one semester of Economics, a full year of Civics for Seniors, and the returning of the subject of Biology to the curriculum for Sophomores. A new position in the school, that of Principal of the lower grades, will be filled by Charles Kaufman.

Rev. Carl H. Schultz, formerly of Freeholdville, Indiana, has been elected to succeed Rev. William Breitenbach at the Salem Evangelical Church in Farmington.

Comment from a number of readers of The Enterprise, is causing quite a controversy over the present location of the Band Stand. Residents report much noise and disturbance results from the use of the stand in the park for the weekly concerts, and recommend a change in location.

George Gildemeister has been named Receiver of the Peoples State Bank of Farmington following the appointment of John N. Daly to the office of City Controller of the City of Detroit.

The first meeting of the Girl Reserves will be held Monday evening for the purpose of hearing from McLeod, president of the Girl Reserves of Plymouth speak on "My Club Experience."

Over 52 per cent of the city taxes of Farmington have been collected thus far this year, according to City Treasurer George Gildemeister, which represents a gain of almost 25 per cent over the previous fiscal year.

## A "DOMESTIC TRADE POLICY"

### for Our Own Community

● Every citizen of this community has a certain responsibility for its growth and welfare. While there is a natural flow of friendly dealing between neighboring communities and the outside world, this "foreign trade" should not be over done.

Our first duty should be to our own merchants, to our own neighbors. Let's adopt a consistent "domestic trade" policy and buy at home, bank at home and generally deal at home, as much as possible.

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