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EDITORIALS

Courtesy is Stronger Than Steel

You have seen what happens when courtesy is forgotten on the highway.

Twisted and bent sheets of steel that once were an automobile lie scattered on the pavement. Water and oil flow steadily from beneath the pile of steel. Dazed passengers sit beside what was once the family car. There is no need of arguing who is right or wrong. It is over now, and only the whine of all ambulance over-sights the scene.

This is not a pleasant situation to come upon at any time but it is common on the highways of every state in the United States. A lot of traffic accidents can be eliminated and many lives can be saved if drivers will have a little consideration for the man along side of him. By giving the other fellow a break you are not being made a fool of but rather saving lives that mean so much. It is no accomplishment to be the first away from a stop light, or smart to pass a hill, but it is good common horse sense to be courteous when you get into your car.

Another holiday week-end is coming and hundreds of thousands of people will be rushing back from vacation land. Let's wipe the slate clean of auto fatalities and put Michigan at the top of the safest state list. It can be done if everyone will think just a little more of the other fellow. It is one more way of thinking of yourself.

Income Tax

This week the Senate Finance Committee approved a lowering of the exemptions on personal income taxes.

Under the new plan married persons with incomes over \$1,500 and single persons with incomes over \$750 per year are subject to taxation. This new is expected to affect about 6,000,000 persons now exempt and will bring in approximately \$300,000,000 in additional revenue.

In its original form the federal income tax was designed to tax those persons whose incomes were in the upper brackets. Under this new plan it becomes a tax upon every man who works above the unskilled classification. Few Americans are so optimistic as to think that we would get by without paying taxes. In some form, but a blanket tax of this nature seems only to add one more chip to America's already shivering spines.

Why such drastic moves in time of defense? Isn't it but one more step towards alarming the people. If we are to keep our heads and carry on in a sensible way, fear must be set aside. Business and industry must be left to run in as normal a fashion as possible so that the moral standing of the country may remain sound. But can this be done if people are continually reminded of the dangers of war from abroad?

If America is determined to keep out of active combat in foreign wars, as many of its citizens, why is it necessary to disrupt the financial set-up for individuals in order to prepare for defense. Isn't it better defense to keep things sound at home?

Other Editors Say

Concentrating the Sting

(Christian Science Monitor)

Two States, Colorado, and Michigan, this year, have reduced the number of their tax-collecting agencies from four to three. Nine States still scatter their tax-collecting function among four offices; and two—Wyoming and Missouri—have five and six such offices respectively.

Seven American States have consolidated their taxing agencies completely into one office. These, according to the Public Administration Clearing House, are Georgia, Kentucky, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Utah.

This unification is really a service to the taxpayer. He may not like taxes but he can plan his budget better if he knows the worst at once than if his tax bills are coming in from several directions and at various times throughout the year.

The collector for Arlington County, Virginia, opposite the city of Washington, sends out at the beginning of the year a consolidated form on which the citizen can make his returns of all State and local taxes for the year—real estate, personal property, income poll tax, and so forth. Later the tax bills arrive all in one envelope. This procedure is to be commended to other municipalities and to States.

All in a Lifetime

(Northville Record)

In his seventy-ninth year, Henry Ford has started something new again. July 30th Mr. Ford was seventy-nine, and last week he gave the world a product, as yet not perfected, that will eventually revolutionize the automobile world. . . . the plastic body for an automobile. Can it be that in his lifetime that Henry Ford has done more than any other man to change the whole pattern of life in our country and perhaps throughout the world? Think it over.

Mr. Ford pioneered in the automobile business and retired millions of horses in favor of gasoline engines. Henry Ford produced articles that millions of men and women wanted—in many cases more than they wanted homes or farms or families. Ford brought high wages and mass production to industry and cashed in on the theory that workmen can also be customers. The automobile industry created demands for rubber and for oil, for motor and a thousand and one other items used in the manufacture of automobiles.

Ford has already made an industrial market for soy beans and his scientists are working on plans for the conversion of wheat and corn and one other item used in the manufacture of automobiles.

The Detroit motor magnate who built an industrial empire from scratch has changed the living habits and the riding habits of the whole world. His contribution to the welfare of mankind has been probably as great as that of any one man in modern history.

No Starvation Yet

(Holla County News)

The agricultural problem is still here.

The farmer's overhead has shown great increases. Labor is much more costly than it used to be and it is difficult to obtain. Taxes are rising. And every manufactured article the farmer buys is more expensive.

The farmer's income, on the other hand, has not shown a comparable gain. Even in the best of times, the average farmer's profit is small—today it is too often close to the point of disappearance.

The drive now being conducted by farm groups, led by marketing cooperatives to attain equality for the farmer with labor and industry, deserves full support. We can't let the producers of our food live on a starvation diet.

What You Want In the WANT ADS

Headed up at Save Down!

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CHURCHES

SALEM EVANGELICAL

Rev. Carl Schultz, Pastor
 Church, 10-100
 Sunday School at 11:00.

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, 7:00-10:15
 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.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

(Formerly Methodist)
 Meets at the Mascobee Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.
 Rev. W. J. Frisk, Pastor
 Mr. Leon Newman, Sunday School Superintendent

Morning Worship, 10:00 a. m.
 Sunday School, 11:00 a. m.
 Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., Mid-Week Prayer and Praise Meeting.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

8 Mile and Grand River
 Clarenceville, Michigan
 Elsie A. Johns, Pastor

10:00 a. m.—"Abundant Life," the pastor preaching. Miss Beatrice Clark, a member of the faculty of Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tennessee, will sing.
 Marian Owen will play the piano and the saw.
 Clarenceville is growing. Come along and help the church to grow.

West Point Bible Church

Evangelist B. Farnum
 Fourth and Evangelist
 Rev. J. H. Sanderscock, 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).
 1:30-3 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 Pleron school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Road. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY

23509 Warner Avenue
 Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor
 Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.
 Teaching, preaching and singing of 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 "Temperance."
 Church School, 12 noon.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

32200 Seven Mile Road
 Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
 Praise Service, 11:00 a. m.
 Sunday Evening, 7:45 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

New High School Auditorium
 Farmington, Michigan

"Christ Jesus" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, August 31.

The Golden Text (Romans 1:16) is: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

Among the Bible citations is the passage (John 1:18): "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him."

STICK TO YOUR JOBI



THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

The first step toward rationing gasoline in eastern United States was taken last week by the Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply upon recommendation of Petroleum Coordinator Ickes.

Administrator Leon Henderson ordered deliveries of gasoline cut 10 percent below July consumption, turned over enforcement to OPM. OPACS explained that the program is an "interim measure" to be followed by "more severe curtailments."

OPACS' action came after Secretary Ickes had stated that deliveries of gasoline on the Atlantic coast rose 8 percent the week ending August 5 despite the closing of service stations at 7 p. m. daily. The oil conservation program was necessitated by the shortage of oil tankers, many of which are now carrying gasoline to England.

Price Actions

Henderson cut prices of Southern pine lumber \$3 a thousand feet, fixed a maximum price for pig tin, put a ceiling on sugar to forestall speculation, and slashed prices that may be paid for burlap 20 percent below recent New York quotations.

Two advisory panels were set up in the OPACS Consumer Division to suggest ways and means for better protection of the quality of consumer goods and for conserving materials essential for defense.

Meanwhile, OPM Director General William S. Knudsen told the N. Y. Division of Commerce Production Office:

"We have reached the point where material requirements for the defense program might interfere with civilian requirements to an important extent."

Anticipating greater defense production in the months ahead, Knudsen asked for a speeding up of subcontracting. He called the placing of \$26,000,000 worth of subcontracts in the last two months "a fair start."

Iron Ore Fleet Recommended

OPM recommended construction of an emergency fleet of 25 iron ore boats at a cost of \$50,000,000 to the Maritime Commission, and received industry proposals for expansion of 12,000,000 tons in steel hight capacity.

The Great Lakes boats are needed to transport ore for the \$608,850 tons of additional pig iron production recommended by OPM.

As OPM announced July's military aircraft production to be 1460, Production Division officials and steel and iron company executives discussed means for doubling the capacity for finishing aircraft and other alloy steels.

Steps to make available thousands of tons of unused street car and railroad rails, many imbedded in city streets, were taken by Ralph Budd, OEM Transportation Commissioner.

The Production Speeded

The Priorities Division moved to speed up production of light and medium tanks by issuing top preference ratings on behalf of three.

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Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scripture," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 333): "Christ expresses God's spiritual, eternal nature. The name is synonymous with Messiah, and alludes to the spiritually which is taught. Illustrated, and demonstrated in the life of which Christ Jesus was the embodiment."

Michigan Mirror

If you haven't discovered it already, something has happened to Main Street in Michigan during the past few years.

Foremost is the fact that Main Street has been growing faster than Broadway, according to the 1940 census.

The 1930-1940 depression decade marked the first break in 140 years of constant trend toward urbanization of America. For the first time in a century and a half, more folks have been moving into rural and suburban areas than into the cities.

This trend towards small towns and rural areas was not noticeable, for the rate of rural growth has been almost as great as that in urban areas in rural regions. More and more city dwellers have been going "to the country" for their homes. Many small towns at the fringe of large cities have boomed during the depression, largely because of this human quest for happiness in a more peaceful and less crowded environment.

Highways, Autos

Rural living has become more urban in character because of the automobile, radio, and motion pictures and the advent of good roads and electricity.

Main street has the same technical pictures in its movie houses as Broadway; the price is 25 cents instead of 50 or 75.

Small town girls wear the latest Hollywood dresses; they read the same style news in Vogue as their city cousins. And while the small town stores do not carry such a complete line, the price is "in line" with the customer's pocketbook, and if the merchant is not enterprising enough to tell the customer what he has, then there's always a nearby progressive city with merchants who do. In the V-S doesn't take long to get you there.

Empty Houses Scarce

As any Michigan country editor will tell you, empty houses are pretty scarce in small towns.

We've let Don Cochrane, editor of the Hartford Day Spring in Van Buren county, tell his observation about a southeastern Michigan town of 1,694 population.

"This community has more than held its own in the 'battle of small towns.' Each census since 1900 (and before for that matter) shows that Hartford recorded growth. During the last census period, 1930 to 1940, that growth was substantial, not only in population but in new building construction and new enterprises. Today there is scarcely an empty building, business or residential, in the town.

"True, Hartford at one time had two bakeries, both small compared to the one just closed. It also had a laundry, and if memory serves the writer aright, two laundries operated here for a time. But that was before Hartford had a garage on all station. It was before the days of the modern theatre, about the time that the first garage fountain came to town. It was 'way back when' one restaurant instead

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Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (Friday, September 1, 1916)

In the death of Mrs. Emma Wilber our community has lost a loved and valued friend. A long and valued life was ended when she passed away at her home on Grand River avenue Monday evening, August 25, 1916. Emma Warner-Wilber was born in Farmington on October 8, 1838. Her father, Seth A. L. Warner having been one of the pioneers of Farmington. Her entire life was passed in Farmington with the exception of about six years, during which time she was studying at the Ypsilanti Normal School.

As we go to press Thursday evening Albert E. Sleeper of Bad Axe seems to be an easy winner for the Republican nomination of governor in this county the vote was a record-breaker, Frank B. Leland receiving a large lead. Farmington voted for Governor: Leland 120 votes—Sleeper 20.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of George E. Gulien in Detroit last Thursday, August 24th when he joined in matrimony Harry Stanley Wolfe and Irene Josephine Smith, both of Livonia township.

TEN YEARS AGO (Thursday, August 27, 1931)

Lower bus fares were placed in effect last Saturday on all Interurban divisions of the Blue Goose buses of the Eastern Michigan system. From Farmington to Detroit the rate is now 50 cents with \$1.75 to Lansing and \$3.55 to Grand Rapids.

Sponsors of the Third Annual Farmington Flower and Vegetable show, to be held at the Farmington Methodist Church afternoon and evening, Friday, September 11, have announced the classifications for this year's show prepared by J. L. Van Volkenburg, the list of classifications embraced six divisions with more than 40 individual classes in which exhibitors may compete.

West Point Park defeated the highly touted Holly nine at West Point Park Sunday, 10-1. The batteries included: West Point, Hartner, Jaska and Oppie; Holly, Bielman and Foley.

The first three days of this week saw the Farmington Volunteer Fire department experiencing its full quota of calls, three alarms having been turned in in as many days.

FIVE YEARS AGO (Thursday, August 27, 1936)

"Grampa" Harry German, the 61-year old pitcher of Carleton, Michigan, will be one of the major attractions at the American Legion's Cash Day in Farmington, September 5, 6, and 7. The veteran pitcher will bring his "All Stars" baseball team to play on Sunday, September 5, it was announced.

Prospects for normal farm crops in Farmington Township are considerably brighter as the result of a series of rains which fell during the week. It is estimated that 60 percent of the normal corn crop, 40 percent of the late apple and peach crop, and 85 percent of the usual potato yield will be harvested.

City of Farmington has one of its largest bank deposits in history to its credit in Farmington State Bank and will continue to have the sum, over \$70,000 on hand for the next six weeks. The deposit, made a few days ago, is a special trust account set up for the retirement of bonds in connection with the retding program being carried through by the city, which will effect a large saving of interest over the next 15 years.

Get Ready Now for Your Next Year's Income Taxes

BUY U.S. TREASURY NOTES TO APPLY ON 1941 INCOME TAXES

Prepare for the greatly increased income taxes for 1941 by buying U. S. Treasury Notes, Series A-1943 or Series B-1943 in denominations from \$25 up.

You may purchase these Treasury Notes from this bank without any extra charge on our services! At any time on or after January 1, 1942, they may be applied on Federal income taxes.

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