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## EDITORIALS

### Happy New Year To You All!

Perhaps it wasn't a White Christmas everywhere, but it was an American Christmas in the far-flung corners of the world. Up north in the country where Santa Claus lives, over in the African deserts where his reindeer would find it hard going, out in the islands of the Pacific, on and under the high seas, and in the British Isles, where it was easier for a boy to imagine he was at home, they were saying "Merry Christmas" and opening packages and eating turkey. For, wherever our troops go, there go American traditions, American food, American friendliness—in other words, a little slice of the American way of life.

And what a good way that is! This year, with no new decorations on our home Christmas trees and fewer presents under them and empty places around dinner tables, we really began to appreciate the things which we as Americans have always had and which we'll have again when the war is won.

A lavish abundance of material comforts and luxuries created by an industrial system whose productivity seems to be limitless—freedom to speak and write and worship as we please—and hope for the future looks a bit uncertain. But we know that when we win this war, industry will again produce lavishly for our homes; our young people will again be able to plan confidently for their tomorrows.

Perhaps our soldiers, scattered all over the world, will help this year to spread this doctrine of friendliness and hope, which is at the heart of this joyous season, and which the whole world must feel if peace is ever to be permanent on this earth!

And so, no matter if our hearts are heavy for the moment—a Happy New Year to you all!

### It's Happened Before

Forty centuries ago an Egyptian wrote upon his scroll an analysis of the times which sounds a great deal like it might have been last week.

It went as follows:

"A few lawless men are depriving the land of sovereignty. The laws are cast out and men walk upon them in public. The lawbreaker is lord of wealth; the rich man has lost all. Scanty is gold; crafts men are without work; the reaper of the harvest gets nothing, while he who plowed not profits. The land is depleted. There are more rulers than ever. I show thee a land turned upside down."

Forty centuries is a long time. But practically all of the above is pat to the present. And here we are all of us thinking that we are in the midst of something that never happened before.

There have been tough times before, and there will be tough times again. It's happened to countless others before you, and it is happening to thousands at the same time it is happening to you now. When this is all over, we can look at it in a different light.

No matter how hard the way may seem, we can always say, "What a wonderful experience this is going to be, and what a story it will make, after it's all over."

The biggest job at hand now is to do everything possible to hasten the end of the war. Directing all our efforts to this one objective will so greatly diminish our own personal difficulties, that our entire outlook will brighten.

## Churches

**FIRST METHODIST**  
Rev. Howard C. Dowell, 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 6:00 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 9:10 a. m.  
Daily Masses at 6:30 and 8:00  
a. m.

**REDFORD GOSPEL TABER-  
NACLE**  
18000 Labar Road  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Pentecostal prayer and praise  
service, 11:00 a. m.

**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED  
CHURCH**  
(Former Methodist)  
Worship at the Macabees Hall at  
Grand River and Eight Mile Road.  
Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor  
Dr. 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.

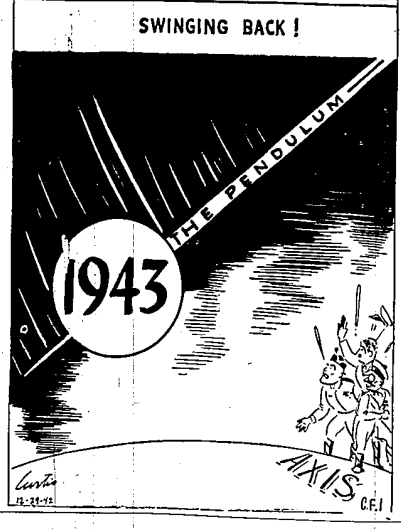
**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Cambridge and Grand River  
Farmington, Michigan  
Elsie A. Johns, Pastor  
Marian P. Owen, Music and  
Religious Education Director  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11:15 a. m.  
Methodist Youth Fellowship,  
6:15 p. m.  
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
"The Friendly Church"  
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor  
Morning prayer circle, 10:15.  
New Year's Communion Ser-  
vice, 10:30. Sermon topic, "A New  
Heart."  
Bible School, 11:45. Begin the  
New Year with regular study of  
the Bible.  
Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U.  
groups, 6:30.  
Evening prayer circle, 7:00.  
Evangelistic service, 7:30. Visitors  
are always welcome at the  
services of this church. You will  
be a stranger but not once.

**WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH**  
Rev. J. H. Sandercock, Pastor  
Evangeline B. Farum,  
Founder and Evangelist  
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 Ser-  
vice.  
FRIDAY  
10-11 a. m., Radio Glee Club  
(high school age and boys)  
1:30-3 p. m., 25th-anniversary  
celebration. Plans are  
being made for a new building. Sun-  
day services are held in P. T. A.  
building, back of Pierson school,  
Sevan Mile, near Farmington  
Road. Watch for information under  
"News of West Point Park" each  
week.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
New High School Auditorium  
Farmington  
"God will be the subject of the  
Lesson-Sermon in all Christian  
Science Churches throughout the  
world on Sunday, January 3,  
The Golden Text (II Tim. 1:1):  
is: "Unto the King eternal, im-  
mortal, invincible, the only wise  
God, be honour and glory for ever  
and ever."  
Among the Bible citations is  
this passage (Ps. 145:3): "Great  
is the Lord, and greatly to be  
praised; and his greatness is un-  
searchable."  
Correlative passages to be read  
from the Christian Science text-  
book, "Science and Health with  
Key to the Scriptures," by Mary  
Baker Eddy, include the following  
(p. 587): "God. The great I AM;  
the all-knowing, all-seeing, all-  
acting, all-wise, all-loving, and  
eternal; Principle; Mind; Soul;  
Spirit; Life; Truth; Love; all  
substance; intelligence."

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
33200 Seven Mile Road  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Prayer, 7:15 a. m.  
Sunday Evening, 7:45 p. m.



**Michigan Mirror**  
Non-Partisan  
News Letter  
By Gene Altman

Will old John Barleycorn survive World War II?  
Here is a controversial question for 1943 when, according to all business forecasts, the war is going to hit us right in the face and non-essentials will be given a crucial test of survival.  
Michigan's situation might be summed up about as follows:  
Industrial payrolls are soaring. Shelves of stores are being depleted of goods. More liquor, wine and beer are being sold today than in many a moon. The temperance forces are getting active. Liquor dealers are worried. The state government is tightening its controls.

The Temperance Foundation of Michigan, an organization which succeeded to the name of the Anti-Saloon League, aspires to the eventual repeal of prohibition through legislative county option, and an educational program in the schools and churches. Many of its loyal members, headed by State Senator Earl Burbanck of Paw Paw, believe the time is getting opportune for favorable action.  
The alcoholic beverage industry—the firms which make and sell the stuff that booze is becoming apprehensive over the state of public opinion should the abuse of liquor defame the voters.  
And then, contrasted to the Michigan war days in 1918, the state government at Lansing is conducting a rather militant drive to control the liquor business through an appointive three-man commission. The state's activity in 1943 may become one of the deciding factors.

The pre-war saloon, a popular (Continued on Page Seven)

**SALON EVANGELICAL**  
Rev. Carl Schultz, Pastor  
Morning worship service, 10:00 a. m. Sunday School, 11:15 a. m.

**FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY**  
23698 Warner Avenue  
Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.  
Sunday evening services, 7:30 p. m.  
Tuesday evenings, 7:45—Bible Study.  
Thursday evenings, 7:45—Young People's Meeting.  
Friday evening, 7:45—Prayer meeting.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON  
A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts  
**SUNDAY SERVICES**  
AT 11:00 A. M.  
And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a. m.  
Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p. m. in University Church, 23200 Warner Ave. Current Christian Science literature on sale Wednesday evenings  
**ALL ARE WELCOME**

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (Friday January 4, 1918)

**Are You Subject to Income Tax?**  
In a communication received by this paper, Collector of Internal Revenue, James M. Brady, announces that a federal income tax officer will be sent into this county on January 21th and 22nd and January 18th to 22nd. All married persons living with wife or husband who have net incomes of \$4,000 or over, and all unmarried persons who have net incomes of \$1,000 or more will be paying tax. The collector of internal revenue estimates that there will be 2,625 taxpayers in this county.

**Fire Department Called**  
The fire department was called out last Sunday morning about 7 o'clock by the burning out of a chimney at the Mark Wixom (old Hendry place) home. No damage was done, except to get a lot of "late sleepers out of bed in time to attend church," as was remarked by the preacher.

**Advisory Board Busy**  
The local board for the assistance of registrants at the postoffice has been kept busy the past two weeks helping the draft men fill out their questionnaires. Married men who claim exemption must be accompanied by their wives, and all other claims for exemption must be supported by affidavits. Each registrant is allowed seven days in which to fill out and mail his questionnaire.

TEN YEARS AGO (Thursday, December 29, 1932)

**Township Relief System to Begin**  
Farmington Township's administration of welfare to the poor within its boundaries will start the first of next week, with Hubert H. Earle of Eight Mile Road as superintendent of welfare. Mr. Earle was picked last Friday afternoon by the Township Board at a special meeting. Half a dozen applicants, including one woman, were among those seeking the place.

**Vivier to Head Exchange Club**  
Earl Vivier will assume direction of Farmington Exchange Club at its meeting on Wednesday of next week, having been unanimously elected president at the Club's meeting on Wednesday.

**1932 Goodfellow Drive Was Most Successful**  
A report revealing that Farmington met the greatest need in its history with the most successful Goodfellow Fund Drive ever held, was submitted Wednesday by Floyd H. Nichols, custodian of the Fund. The report was made at the meeting of Farmington Exchange Club, which included with Groves-Walker Post, American Legion, in the work. Under the leadership of the Post Commander, Norman Lee, and Spencer J. Heene, chairman of the committee for the Exchange Club, 83 Christmas baskets were distributed to needy families of the vicinity.

ern haul—fuel oil also is being rationed.  
The fuel oil problem soon affected the other fuels—coal, natural gas and manufactured gas. Facilities for gas manufacture could not well be expanded because of shortages in critical materials, but gas consumers have been urged to economize. For the situation is threatening and will grow steadily more acute. In the meanwhile, coal production in the Great Lakes region was continued beyond the normal closing season, and recently control of coal shipments has been extended to all vessels in the Atlantic seaboard trade capable of carrying coal.  
Again, consumers were warned to stock up for their winter coal supply, but in New England they have been slow to do so. As a further step in easing the fuel emergency, coal and heating oil stoves have been rationed in the fuel-oil rationing area, with first choice of coal heaters going to householders who will use the new stove to replace oil-heating equipment. The United States Army has released about 100,000 copal-burning stoves for delivery to the colder parts of the rationed States. All these measures, however, will still leave the main part of the fuel-saving program up to the consumer. Many to employ every means of conserving energy. Reduced supplies of all fuels are ready are acute in the pr more communities in 36 States from coast to coast. Yet these difficulties for the most part are localized. In a single State, war industries in certain localities may drain the local labor market of

all available skills, while in others not far away there may be considerable unemployment. Although we are moving toward increased distribution and scattering of war contracts, it is not yet feasible to give every community a war industry, nor can workers be shifted en masse from the less favored places to the centers of heavy war production. To do so would further tax the health, housing, and transportation facilities of areas already overburdened by abnormal congestion of war-time population.

What this overcrowding amounts to was shown by a Census Bureau study of 137 metropolitan counties, completed some months ago. Between April 1, 1940, and May 1, 1942, 58 counties having war industries gained a total of 2,639,000 persons, while 13 without war industries lost a declining total. The gain in population of these war-swollen communities in two years is about equal to half the total increase in urban population of the United States in the years from 1930 to 1940.

Next year, the wartime demand for labor of all kinds will be felt in almost every home in the country. It is expected that by the end of 1943 about 70 percent of all persons in this country between the ages of 15 and 65 will be either in military service or working for wages, and that around 20 million of these will be in war industry. To secure millions of new workers and train them for new jobs will be a stupendous undertaking—yet it must be done if we are to meet next year's production schedules.

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**ANNOUNCING**  
**SAFE KEEPING DEPARTMENT**  
At the request of many of our customers we have set up and are now operating a safe keeping department for the safe keeping of United States War Savings Bonds.  
A receipt is issued for the bonds and they may be withdrawn at any time.  
The charge for the safe keeping of War Bonds is 25c for each bond, regardless of denomination, which is paid at the time the bond is deposited and covers the cost for as long as the bond is left in safe keeping even though it is left the full ten years until its maturity.  
**THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK**  
Farmington, Michigan  
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation