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EDITORIALS

The Fourth of July

The Nation's holiday next Sunday has more significance this year than ever before, and every patriotic citizen is expected to observe it in a fitting manner. July 4th, 1943, should be made the most glorious day of celebration the United States of America has ever known.

It will mark the end of a year of great decisions, of a great patriotic awakening, of country-wide response to the call of Liberty, a year of achievement unparalleled in the history of the world, a year in which American ideals have been spread throughout the civilized world. The whole country marches with the Flag.

A single thought controls the nation's activities—"Fight to Victory!" The American people are operating as a unit. The American army, rapidly growing in numbers and power, has met the foe upon foreign soil, and fighting side by side with the gallant armies of the free peoples of the world, has dealt blow after blow to the powers of darkness.

The American Navy scouts the seas and drives to cover or destroys the pirate boats of the enemy. The American Red Cross performs with characteristic sacrifice, deeds of mercy in many lands.

The Stars and Stripes are the symbol of hope to hundreds of millions throughout the world.

On the Fourth of July America will celebrate its glorious participation in the war for Democracy. Let the flags wave and the bands play!

Work, Sweat and Thrift

A long time ago—maybe in Emerson's writings—I read about a man who, either during or at the conclusion of the Civil War, found himself penniless and was so pleased not to have to worry about his money that he rolled over and over on the ground in sheer delight.

In the current emergency, none of us has quite reached that stage yet, but I think it is a fact that every healthy, sensible, and industrious person is a little pleased that work, sweat, and thrift are once more among the topmost virtues.

From work, sweat, and thrift comes character. Every self-made man is grateful for the years of self-denial, long hours, and hard work that conditioned him for his place in the world. In his later days of high position, wealth, and power he appreciates that the qualities that make him outstanding today were acquired in the early days when life was tough and often cruel.

He occasionally wished that his own children might face the realities of life as he was compelled to do, but he found that the whole social and economic system was against him. His son had to have an automobile, a tuxedo, and a fraternity pin before he earned a cent, and his daughter had to have a permanent, a manicure, and several evening gowns before she tried to fry an egg.

Well, we've made the round trip. For a long time to come it's going to be work, work, and work, and save, save, and save. The young people of this nation, have hard years ahead of them, but we anticipate that they will get more solid enjoyment out of the struggle than they would out of an annuity that shielded them completely from the harsh aspects of life.

Double Up
Under the drive to encourage group riding, the average number of persons sharing a car has risen from two in July, 1942, to 2.66 persons at present.

Winter Spraying
Winter spraying makes later spraying more effective, because it kills the eggs of numerous troubles before they germinate and become widespread.

Churches

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. Howard C. Busching, Minister

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School, for fourth grade and above.
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School, for nursery through third grade.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.—Youth meeting at the church.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m.—Choir rehearsal at the church.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.
Masses on Holy Days at 5:30, 7:30 and 9:00 a.m.
Daily Masses at 6:15 and 8:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

Meets at the Macabee Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.
Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor
Mrs. Norma Riddell, Sunday School Superintendent
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 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
Marion 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 Worship at 10:30 a.m.
The pastor will preach both morning and evening during July from the prophesy of Jeremiah. We invite visiting vacationists to our services.
Bible School at 11:45 a.m.
Junior and Senior B.Y.P.U. meetings at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Prayer Circle, at 7:00 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
We will observe the Communion Service at this hour.

SALEM EVANGELICAL
Rev. Carl Schultz, Pastor

Morning worship service, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. J. H. Sanderson, Pastor
Evangeline B. Farnum

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)
1:30-3:00 p.m., Missionary meeting.
Due to the fact that plans are being made for a new building Sunday services are held in P. T. A. building, back of Parkland school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Rd. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
Earl Cook, Minister

Morning worship, 10:30.
Bible School, 11:45. Classes for all ages.
Baptist Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
"Everybody's Gospel Service," 8:00 p.m.

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, July 4.
The Golden Text (Isaiah 33:22) "The Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king; he will save us."
Among the Bible citations is this passage (Psalm 67:4): "O let the nations be glad and sing for joy; for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth."
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. 368): "Man is properly self-governed only when he is guided rightly and governed by his Maker, divine Truth and Love."

CHURCH OF CHRIST
3320 Seven Mile Road

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Preaching, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 7:45 p.m.

REDFORD ASSEMBLY OF GOD
1670 Lahar Ave.
James A. Davis, Pastor

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Radio Broadcast WEXL 6:15 p.m.
Evening Service, 7:45 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

THAT NEXT PAY CHECK —

IT'S A LITTLE SHORT ON THIS END!

WITHHOLDING TAX 20%

VICTORY

What To Write Soldiers
"The soldier wants the intimate details of his back home," says Chaplain (Major) Albie L. McKnight of Cleveland, Mississippi, who has just returned to the U. S. after five months of duty on Guadalcanal. "That the girl two doors down has taken a war plant job, or that the couple across the street have had a baby may make your letter read like a personal column in a small-town weekly newspaper, but that's what he wants. By all means, don't tell the soldier about your troubles. He has enough of his own. Domestic troubles, affect the morale of the soldier at the front more than anything else. Something to live for and go back to is what keeps a soldier going. It is what gives a man fight. Home life is everything to the man at the front."

Farmers To Get Tax
More than 50 hard-to-get items needed on farms will be provided by a WPB order to manufacturers and wholesalers to set aside specific quantities. This action puts into effect an emergency program worked out under WPB's Office of Civilian Requirements to make available all retail outlets serving farmers, supplies needed to increase food production. The list (Continued on Page Seven)

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
2308 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.
Thursday evening, 7:45—Young People's Meeting.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON

A drama 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. at 3336 Grand River Avenue
Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evening

ALL ARE WELCOME

Michigan Mirror
Non-Partisan News Letter

"I killed one of those niggers myself last night."

A white man, driver of a Checker taxi cab in Detroit, said this to me in bitter hatred but as casually as if he had just brushed off a fly. It was an amazing aftermath of the Detroit race riots, the like of which this nation has not seen in 20 or more years.

I had left the state capital for Detroit to meet Philip T. Rich, publisher of the Midland Daily News, to accompany him to Cleveland for a conference with the officials of the War Manpower Commission. While waiting for a cab in front of the Rock-Cadillac hotel, I heard a cheery voice and turned around to greet a friend from a state office at Lansing. He resided many years in Detroit.

Our conversation began and ended on the topic of the previous evening's battling right in the heart of Detroit—the city hall, Grand Circus Park, Woodward Avenue, and the bus terminal on Washington boulevard. Just to mention a few.

The state executive gave an explanation of the race riots which I have substantiated since from two army officers. Here it is: "Since the war began, hundreds of thousands of southern whites and Negroes have come to Detroit. In their home states—Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas—the Negroes were accustomed to segregation and other restrictions. The whites did not regard the Negroes as their social equals, and in fact they have been refighting the Civil War ever since on that one point alone.

"Up here in Detroit the Negroes have found a new freedom. They work with Whites in war plants on a basis of equality of wages. The Negroes' earnings are fantastically high in contrast to sums they received in the South. Some Negroes—but only a few—have become bumptious, swaggering and offensive. The old Negroes, those who have lived in the North for many years, are not troublesome. They are good citizens.

"Put southern whites and southern Negroes together in a northern war boom city, where Negroes and whites have freedom of the city's facilities of schools and parks, and you get a dangerous situation. Basically, that is the core of Detroit's festering boil."

But, let's return to the taxi-driver's startling confession of homicide.

Because of the 10 p.m. curfew in Detroit, we had decided to leave early for the boat docks. The steamer, City of Detroit III, was to depart at 11:30 o'clock. A Checker cab drove in sight, and we flagged it to the curb.

Cab drivers are proverbial sources of much information and gossip, and this driver—a husky white chap of about 45 years—was no exception. I started off with reference to my friend's remark about "hoodlums" who had taken over control of the city before federal troops arrived at 11 p.m. the night before.

"I'd like to have that guy say 'hoodlums' to me" he retorted

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

SEVERE ELECTRICAL STORM
Twenty Five Years Ago (July 6, 1918)
Stricken With Paralysis

Last Sunday afternoon while William Miss, Sr., and family were at Valley Lake the old gentleman was seen to become faint and complained of being dizzy when asked if he did not feel well. Arriving home, he was taken sick to his stomach, which continued until Monday noon, when he suffered a severe stroke of paralysis, his left side and arm becoming useless.

The severe electrical and wind storm of Tuesday night did considerable damage in the vicinity of Northville; trees being uprooted and buildings blown over. In this village the only damage reported was the burning out of the Edison transformer through which the Enterprise and the Gildemeister flour mill receive their power, necessitating the shutting down of the mill all day Wednesday, and delaying the printing of the Enterprise until a late hour Wednesday night.

There was a frost Saturday night that did considerable damage in low places. A number of persons in the village report their tomatoes and beans killed and some farmers say that their corn was injured. There was a cold wind all day Saturday, which also helped to do some damage.

RAIN STORM BRINGS RELIEF
A heavy rainstorm which broke the long drought Sunday was hailed as a "million dollar" storm by farmers in the Farmington area. The precipitation had been awaited for a long time and it had not come just when it did, many crops might have been ruined.

Better Times Bring Decline in Indigents
The township of Farmington has felt the effect of the return of better times. Hubert W. Earle, director of welfare for the township, reports that 15 to 20 persons are being taken from the welfare rolls each week. The reason for the decline in the number of indigents lies in the increased activity of the factories in the Detroit area and the increase in farm prices.

Judge Schulte To Visit Europe
Friends of John J. Schulte will soon bid him a "bon voyage" when he leaves Farmington next month for a trip to Europe to fulfill a dream of a lifetime. Congratulations are descending upon the capable justice, who was one of 30 winners in a "Trip to Europe Contest" conducted by the GBU of Pittsburgh.

State Health Man Quits Drain Fears
Farmington citizens who fear river pollution will result from the proposed Grand River drain project are assured by Col. Rich of the State Stream Commission, a division of the State Health Department, with headquarters at Lansing, and by H. W. Dodge, Oakland County Drain Commissioner, at Pontiac, that they need have no worries.

Job Claim Filing to Begin July 1
Issuing of appointment cards to eligible unemployed for filing of claims will begin Friday, July 1, at the Michigan Job Insurance Commission registration office established at the Farmington Town Hall. Distribution of benefit checks is scheduled to start August 1 in this area.

quickly, turning about to give me a brilliant once-over as the cab left the curb. "Don't believe that, brother. I was in that mob last night, and I killed one of those niggers myself! I've got the iron bar right with me too. A lot of good American citizens were in there fighting, mister."

I will not quote all the things this cab driver told me, but he did blame recent mayors of Detroit for "catering" to Negro voters and for permitting them to "over-run" Belle Isle.

"This thing will never be solved until all the niggers have been put under," he declared vehemently. "I'm going to try and get a gun, and the first nigger that comes toward my cab is going to get it, full-blast." Those were his exact words.

Now for a cab driver to talk like a murderer to a stranger is proof supreme that a dangerous mob attitude prevails among some elements of Detroit's teeming war workers and their sons and daughters. We were too shocked to argue.

From army officers we learned that Sunday, June 20, had been a hot and sweltering day in Detroit. Belle Isle was swarming with Negroes—about 70,000 or more were there—trying to get respite from the heat.

Why did they go to Belle Isle? "Paradise Valley," the Negro section along Hastings Avenue, is filled with old houses, shabby business buildings, and crowded apartments. The Negroes have no parts of their own; their dwellings are congested and stuffy; the day was hot; so they went to the river front. It was just as simple as that. Would you, in their position, have done likewise?

In many Detroit public schools the white boys and girls mingle with Negro boys and girls. Teenage white youngsters formed a goodly proportion of the hoodlums. They were zoologists in reverse. Negroes retaliated by smashing and looting "white" stores up and down Paradise Valley. The words, "Negro Owned," were enough to spare a store from the fury of the mob.

Yes, and all this in Michigan!

When you try to analyze the Detroit race riots—and in our opinion, they will flare up again inevitably when the troops depart—you can't help but wonder about our so-called civilization and whether it is more than skin-deep; about the freedom for which our Michigan boys are fighting on the deserts of Africa and the tropical isles there—trying to get respite from the heat.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF

The Distinguished Service Cross has been awarded Staff Sgt. Doyle Kimmy of Farmington, Texas, for manning a sub-machine gun during the Jap attack and returning the fire of low-flying enemy planes during the Jap attack on Hickman Field. When his ammunition was used up, he ran from the cover of his truck to get more, and kept firing until the truck was bombed. He showed bravery beyond the call of duty. Figure out for yourself how much you can invest in War Savings beyond what you are doing now.

U. S. Treasury Department