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EDITORIALS

The Day Still Dawns

The election has come and gone. Already we are forgetting the sting of charges and counter-charges, the brief bitter denunciations and the dire predictions. The morning came as usual on November 8—just as it has every day since that time. That we all know, and we know that the morning will continue to come in the months and years to come.

We know, too, or we should, that we've all got to live here, and live here together. Let's assume, then, right now, that we're all good Americans—here at home, just as the sons of the workers, the farmers and the businessmen in the battle-lines are Americans all against our foes.

Let's assume, for one instance, that the plans which business and labor, albeit individually, are making for a better postwar economy are not wholly and irrevocably selfish—that they know that what will benefit the country will benefit them, and that what hurts the country will hurt them, too.

We can start this same trend much closer to home, than with business and labor, too, for we can start right here in Farmington. The things we say and the little acts of personal intolerance and child-ness on our own part, will not hurt an individual alone, but it will hurt the community. An act, committed in a moment of haste and spite, often boomerangs, and it would be wise to thoroughly consider the consequences, before taking any action.

Let's assume that we're all working together for a common goal, the common good—and then let's see if we can't!

Military Training

Congress is giving preliminary consideration to the question of a year of military training for every American boy, at a point in the young man's life between high school and college. It would include all boys except those who are physically disabled.

This issue is right here before us, backed and supported by the president and large blocs in the new Congress that will take office January 20. The proposal includes vocational and technical training and the fitness for service of about 1,250,000 18-year-olds every year.

According to the best information from Washington the plan will be pressed for action in Congress this winter, in an effort to pass laws for enforcement at a time in which the nation fully realizes and supports the necessities of war—or to state it differently, to get ahead of the apathy and objections to such legislation in the postwar period of peace.

Undoubtedly this will be a vital question within a few weeks, and we feel the public-at-large should know what is in the wind, as this is the time for people to make up their minds to either support, or oppose this legislation, because it is now being assembled. With every community vitally interested in the subject it becomes a public, and private duty of the individual to become well informed upon this vital and controversial subject.

It's Christmas

In all the hustle and bustle before Christmas, the pleasant confusion of sending out cards and gift packages, last minute shopping, getting out decorations for the tree and the usual wreaths and table decorations, and the kitchen activity with the making of cookies and other holiday treats, let us not lose the real significance of Christmas.

Christmas has become so commercialized during the past few years that much of the original significance of the season has been overlooked. Not only to children, who naturally anticipate the coming of Santa Claus, but to adults, also, has this become a season for gifts—rather than a season of religious and spiritual meaning.

This year many will take the holidays at a little slower pace, due to the fact that their family will not be together. That, in itself, gives the holiday a bit different meaning, for an American Christmas has always meant that the entire family would be gathered at the family home.

Churches

FIRST METHODIST

Rev. A. Stanley Stone, 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. Worship Service.
Sermon subject: "The Fullness of the Time."
5 p.m. Vesper Candle-Light Carol Service.
Youth Fellowship, 7:00 p.m. Sunday.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

FIRST BAPTIST

"The Friendly Church"
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m. Message by the Pastor, "God's Suffering Servant."
Bible School at 11:45 a.m.
Guilt Vesper Service, 5:30 p.m. Evening tea following the service.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Piano recital by Mrs. Donald Scharenburg. Informal message by the Pastor.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

Cambridge and Grand River Farmington, Michigan

Elise A. Johns, Pastor

Marian P. Owen, Music and Religious Education Director

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Interest is fine and attendance is growing.
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m., the pastor preaching.

Methodist Youth Fellowship at 8:30 a.m.

Evening Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Mid-Week prayer service on Thursday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Sandercock, 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

10:15 a.m., Radio Glee (Two high school girls and boys).

1:30 p.m., Missionary meeting.

Due to the fact that plans are being made for a new building, Sunday services are held in P. F. A. building, back of Pierson school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Rd. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY

23608 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.

Young People's meeting Friday evening.

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.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Rev. Thomas P. Beahm, Pastor

Rev. Joseph M. Lemire, Asst. Pastor

Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:15 and 12:30.

Masses on Holy Days at 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Daily Masses at 6:15 and 8:00 a.m.

REDFORD ASSEMBLY OF GOD

16760 Lahser 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.

NGVI BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Clarence K. Graham, Pastor

10:30 a.m. United Service: Morning Worship and Bible School combined.

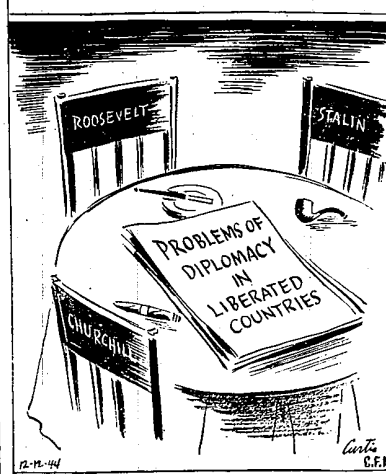
7 p.m. Youth Fellowship Hour.

8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.

Wednesday, 8 p.m. Prayer and Bible study.

Friday, 7:30 p.m. The Senior

A CONFERENCE NEEDED



B.Y.F. will meet for their "Fun Night."
A warm and cordial welcome awaits all who attend our services.
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
New High School Auditorium
Farmington

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 17.

The Golden Text (John 1:12) is: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made."

Among the Bible citations is this passage (Psalm 33:6): "By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth."

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: (256): "All things are created spiritually. Mind, not matter, is the creator. Love, the divine Principle, is the Father and Mother of the universe, including man."

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
E. L. Stumpfling, Pastor

Sunday school, Nursery to Senior classes, at 9:30 a.m.

Bible class for young people and adults at 9:45 a.m.

Divine worship at 10:45 a.m. All the community is welcome.

Lutheran Hour, with Dr. W. A. Meier, at 12:30 over CKLW.

Bible discussion hour, Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

Thursday at 7:30. All young people are welcome.

SALEM EVANGELICAL

Rev. Carl Schmitt, Pastor

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

33200 Seven Mile Road

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.

Preaching, 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening, 7:45 p.m.

Affected by Seasickness

Animals are affected by seasickness. Horses suffer to an exceptional degree, sometimes dying of the affliction. Elephants, however, make good sailors and if they are kept slightly inebriated on a concoction consisting of two quarts of whiskey and a bucketful of warm water they can make almost any trip without discomfort.

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.

Lesson Subject

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?"

And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Testimonies at 8 p.m. at

33335 Grand River Avenue

Reading Room Hours:

Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday Evening, 8 to 9:30

Saturday, 2 to 5 p.m.

Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evenings

ALL ARE WELCOME

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TEN YEARS AGO (December 27, 1934)
Merchants Have Holiday Rush

Farmington businessmen shared in the nation-wide excess of holiday business over that of a year ago, it is revealed by inquiry among merchants of various lines. Included in the rush were Farmington's new industry, the winery, at the Junction, and the Post Office.

New President To Take Office

Farmington Exchange Club will come under new leadership next Thursday noon, when Joseph Himmelsbach takes office as president, succeeding Edward Baker. Mr. Himmelsbach's nomination by the Board of Control was followed Thursday noon by his election by the Club, without dissenting vote.

Post Office Does 25 Per Cent More

Acting Postmaster Norman C. Lee, in announcing upon the Christmas rush, states that postal receipts for this holiday season have been 25 per cent above those of last year. This increase has by no means been limited to one department. Marked gains were noted in every division, incoming and outgoing mail included.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 14, 1939)
City To Collect Ashes From Homes

Weekly collection of ashes from homes that has a pressing need of this service will be started soon. At their last meeting the City Commissioners authorized the collection of ashes and ordered the city employees who handle this work to draw up regulations to be followed in placing the ashes for collection.

Stop Signs Put Up

Driving in Farmington will be made easier and safer in the near future as a result of a number of new stop signs which have been erected by the city. These safety signs have been put up on 37 corners throughout the city which the city commission believes are hazardous. All Farmington drivers are asked to cooperate in observing and obeying the signs in order to make the city safer both for driver and pedestrian. The signs were donated by the Detroit branch of the American Automobile Association and were erected by city labor.

Goodfellows Sell Papers Friday

Cries of "Paper! Paper! Paper! Read all about it!" will echo throughout the streets of Farmington and nearby districts Friday when the Goodfellows shoulder their paper sacks for their annual "news-buy" campaign. The sale of papers this year promises to eclipse anything of its kind held in Farmington.

picture what a bombing raid must be like.

Last summer after you and your buddies landed on the beachheads of Normandy and the Allied breakthrough resulted in the great German withdrawal to the Siegfried line, Washington officials were pretty optimistic about a quick victory.

You know, Joe, the newspapers still print the news as Washington gives it out. Officials at Washington possess vital war information. Much of it is censored and not disclosed to newspapers at all.

For example, don't blame us back home for any failure to send over enough shells. If the military experts couldn't foresee the tremendous consumption of shells by MacArthur's men at Leyte or forecast the amount of munitions to be consumed in the big push into Germany, how could we back here in Michigan be expected to produce it?

Quoting from the United Press: "The present shell shortage is explained partly by the fact that while Gen. Dwight Eisenhower has asked for two-thirds of the present mortar shell output, Gen. Douglas MacArthur has used more mortar shells on Leyte than in all his previous action. In addition, there are the demands of other Pacific and Mediterranean troops."

We understand fully why you're sore at the war workers who quit their jobs because of some grievance—higher wages, for example. It is true that Michigan has had a lot of unauthorized strikes. They were unauthorized because the leaders, in many cases, could not keep the workers on the job. Unions have pledged not to strike. Still the workers, now and then, get mad and quit.

The daily newspaper prints the news, and a labor strike is news. But did you ever think that these

same Michigan labor strikes represented only a small fraction of the total agony of Michigan people who work in war plants? And you know that several hundred thousand folk from other states have come to Michigan since Pearl Harbor—men and women who do not own property in Michigan? They are interested in their paychecks, and when the war is over, they expect to go home.

It's our observation, Joe, that the great rank and file of Michigan residents are working faithfully and buying war bonds and otherwise doing their part pretty much as the experts at Washington have asked them to do. Why shouldn't they? These same people have sons in the service, too.

Yes, Joe, as the Christmas season returns once more, we hope you will be patient with us on the Michigan home front. We're trying to help win the war, but you must remember that the war is still a long ways off for us. Maybe you'd rather have it that way—

to return to a home that has not been demolished or scarred by artillery shells or robot bombs. The war is coming home to us, however, in the long casualty lists. Many stars on the service flag have already turned to gold. At Ironwood the residents of that mining community dedicated an honor roll on the third anniversary of Pearl Harbor. On it were 42 gold stars. The names of those men sound like an American melting pot—English, Finnish, Irish, Swedish—as well as other nationalities. They were all Americans—remember that.

In our hearts we all honor you. So keep up the good fight, Joe. America won't let you down.

KEEP ON BUYING

U.S. WAR BONDS AND STAMPS!

JOIN OUR 1945 CHRISTMAS CLUB

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Deposit Weekly	Receives in 50 Weeks
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.50	25.00
1.00	50.00
2.00	100.00
3.00	150.00
5.00	250.00

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