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## EDITORIALS

### The Christmas Spirit

"Peace on Earth..."  
The age-old wish for Christmas is true this year, as it has not been true for the past four Christmas seasons. Our country is again at peace, and all over the world rumbling of the huge guns, the drone of the airplanes, and the explosion of bursting bombs are no longer familiar sounds. The people of war-torn countries are no longer engaged in tearing down, but they are now reconstructing, salvaging as much as possible and rebuilding their homes and cities.

Many families have been reunited, and every day brings more of these happy reunions. Last year that boy in the South Pacific saw not a flake of snow, nor did he hear a single tinkling sleigh bell — and that boy who was in the North Atlantic saw not a solitary Christmas tree in the miles of watery waste. But this year it is to be different, not only for these returned service men, but different, too, for their families.

During the past few years there has been little display of Christmas, so far as lighted windows and gaily decorated Christmas trees were concerned. No colored lights were strung across the highways in our cities, and there was no community Christmas tree. Even the stores did not seem to present the usual holiday appearance.

But this year you will find them all back. The spirit goes much deeper than these outward symbols, for within our hearts the true meaning of Christmas is alive.

Mingled with the happiness of the season is a great wave of thanksgiving, and we humbly bow our head in reverence for the many blessings which have been bestowed upon us. Our small troubles fade far into the background and we are filled only with a great surge of friendliness for everyone around us.

Christmas time is really friendship time. The feeling of good fellowship is greater than at any other season of the year. Call out a "Merry Christmas" as you walk along the street and just see how your step will quicken, and your heart sing. This year you can put more meaning into your wish for a Merry Christmas than you have for the past four holiday seasons. Let's make the most of such a season, and make this one Christmas that we, our families and friends, will always look back upon as one of the happiest times ever known.

## BITS OF THIS AND THAT

By ELMER T. POCKLINGTON

### THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas used to mean real winter,  
Sleigh rides over crunching snow;  
Yule-logs burning in the fire-place,  
That's what only oldsters know.

Changing times have changed the nature  
Of our ways to celebrate,  
But what made a Merry Christmas  
Hasn't changed at any rate.

'Twas the spirit back of giving,  
Back of making others glad,  
That's what always has made Christmas  
Just the biggest day we've had.

Why can't mortals learn the lesson  
That is taught each Christmas Day,  
It's the giving, not the getting  
That makes living really pay.

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## Churches

### FIRST METHODIST

Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for third grade and above.  
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for Nursery through Second Grade.  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.  
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. Sunday School at 11:45 a.m. Instructional and congregational classes for old and young.  
Junior and Senior Youth Groups, at 6:30 p.m. Young people are invited to enjoy the interesting and varied programs.

### SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH

"The Church on the Park"  
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor

Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist

Morning Worship service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.

OUR INVITATION

I hope to come to this still place,  
Where deeper peace is always found,  
To kneel as though on holy ground,  
And feel my Master face to face.  
I do not know how I could live if there were not this refuge sweet  
Where I could linger at His feet  
And He to me sweet healing give.

### WELCOME

### 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.

Bible Study, Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m.

Young People's meeting, Thursday, 8 p.m.

Prayer meeting Friday at 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

33200 Seven Mile Rd.

Bible Study 9:45

Morning worship 11:30 a.m.

Evening Service 8:00 p.m.

Thursday Evening Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE

METHODIST CHURCH

Cambridge and Grand River

Farmington, Michigan

Elsie A. Johns, Pastor

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 6:30 p.m.

Evening Worship at 7:30 p.m.

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

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Sandercock, Pastor

Evangelist 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).

12:30-3:00 p.m. Missionary meeting.

Due to the fact that plans are being made for a new building, singing services are held in P. F. 1 building, back of Pierson school.

Seven Mile, near Farmington Rd. Waup for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Clarence K. Graham, Minister

10:30 a.m. Unified Service. The morning worship and Sunday school combined.

7 p.m. Youth Fellowship Meetings.

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

Friday, 8 p.m. B.Y.F. "Fun-Night."

Air Conditioned Trolleys

A fleet of new street cars in Atlanta, Ga., has been equipped with refrigerating units. This will be the first time that passengers can enjoy the benefits of air conditioning.

Romans Had Short-hand

An organized system of shorthand was developed and used by the Romans as far back as 63 B. C., according to Encyclopedia Britannica.

## Merry Christmas to All



With a spirit of devout thanksgiving, we enter the Christmas season, humbly thankful to Him for the first peacetime Christmas in four years.

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day,  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet the words repeat,  
Of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

### CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor

Meets at the Macabees Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.

Mrs. Norma Riddell, Sunday School Superintendent.

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 7:15 a.m., Mid-Week Prayer and Praise Meeting.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Midlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.

E. L. Stumpert, Pastor

Sunday School and Bible class at 9:30 a.m.

Divine worship at 10:45 a.m.

Lutheran Hour, at 12:30 over CKLW and 5 p.m. over WJWB.

Christmas party for adult couples, May 8 & 9.

Watch next week's Enterprise for notes on special Christmas services.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, 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.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

New High School Auditorium

Farmington

"Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved from Atomic Forces?" will be the subject of the Lesson Series in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 23.

The Golden Text (I Chron. 16:23, 24) is: "Sing unto the Lord, all the earth: show forth from day to day his salvation. Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvelous works among all nations."

Among the Bible citations is this passage (John 6:63 to column): "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing."

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 (257): "The offspring of God start not from matter or ephemeral dust. They are in and of Spirit, divine Mind, and so forever continue."

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.

Plan Baths

If the man of the house has been accustomed to taking his daily shower in the morning, reserve this time for him. The children might bathe in the evening, allowing the time according to their ages and when they go to bed. The younger children might be bathed before dinner, older children later. Plan your own bath for whichever hour will give you the most relaxation.

What to do with the state's \$51.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON

A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts

Lesson Subject

"Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved from Atomic Forces?"

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.

33335 Grand River Avenue

Reading Room Hours:

Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday Evening, 9 to 9:30

Friday Evening, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

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 (January 2, 1936)

State Bank Ends Busiest Month

There have been many signs in recent months of the city of Farmington taking definite major strides among cities in this part of the state toward the long sought prosperity goal, and one of the most conclusive bits of evidence is the volume of business performed by the Farmington State Bank during the month of December.

Only Three Fires in Past Three Months  
Farmington's fire-fighters have experienced an inactive three months. The fire alarm blew on only three occasions during the months of October, November and December. These fires were all minor in character.

Post Office Rating is Undecided

Whether or not the Farmington post office will again resume the rating of a second class post office will not be known until postal officials at Washington make a checkup on the stamp sales at the Farmington post office.

Norman Lee, Farmington postmaster, has high hopes that the authorities at the nation's capital will act favorably on the question.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 19, 1940)

Allens Have One Week To Register

Postmaster Norman Lee this week cautioned allens living within the Farmington area that they must apply for registration by Thursday, December 26. Due to the holiday rush at the post office the allen registration headquarters have been transferred to the home of Mrs. Harriett Power, 23825 Farmington Road.

New Hat Shoppe To Open Here Saturday

The Civic Hat Shoppe, Farmington's newest store, will open Saturday, December 21. The new hat shop is located in the Civic Theatre building, and is owned and operated by Gladys Gaa.

The shop will carry a full line of hats, purses, scarf sets and hosiery.

MAN ROBBED OF \$290

Two armed robbers held up Arthur Moffatt, 21412 Waldron Ave., Farmington Township, Tuesday night, robbing him of \$290. Mr. Moffatt had parked his car in front of his home and was on the point of entering the house when the two men came up to him, carrying guns, and demanded the money. Moffatt stated he had never seen either of the men before.

000,000 reserve fund for Michigan veterans is another problem at Lansing.

Divided equally among the state's servicemen, the fund would evaporate promptly and little benefit would be accomplished.

The feeling is growing among legislators that it would be prudent to wait until the 1947 regular session before attempting any commitment of the entire fund.

Experience after World War I was that veterans' problems do not become acute until some years after the end of the war. The federal government allows an unemployment benefit of \$20 per week up to a full year — something that did not exist back in 1919.

A cleft of the attitude of veterans may be deduced from a declaration at Lansing by Joseph W. Stack, national commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, that the organization favored compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes and priority to veterans for housing materials. The VFW has 55,000 members in Michigan.

A permanent management for the Michigan State Park, removing the manager and employees from political appointment and turnover, is recommended by the Detroit Board of Commerce. J. Lee Barrett, executive vice-president of the Detroit Convention and Tourists Bureau, points out that the manager of the Canadian National Exposition at Toronto has served for 25 years, that the last exposition attracted 2,000,000 visitors.

Since the legislature has reorganized the state department of

agriculture, creating a long-term commission and making the director its permanent head, the Detroit proposal seems to be in line with legislative thinking. All state fair managers in recent years have favored removing the fair from politics.

Detroit's appeal drew unexpected support from Lieut. Governor Vernon J. Brown who pointed out at a Lansing hearing that abandonment of the state fair building in Detroit would necessitate "substantial aid" from the legislature.

Frank motorists in Detroit caused 1,475 accidents during the first eleven months of 1945; 10,000 posters proclaiming "drunk drivers go to jail" have now been placed in bars and taverns.

Kalamazoo's paper industry plans an increased employment of 35 per cent. Construction in the next three years exceeds \$5,000,000.

The St. Lawrence waterway benefit to Michigan is badly over-rated according to Louis A. Balter, chairman, University of Michigan department of naval architecture and marine engineering. "Slips would have to operate uneconomically at much shorter drafts than this design permit." A 27-foot deep channel is proposed.

The Dow Chemical company is spending \$500,000 to eliminate chemical pollution of the Tittabawassee river, Michigan.

The Michigan United Conservation Clubs favor a \$200,000 state appropriation each year for stream control and anti-pollution.

Non-productive nesting due to bad

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★ Now we can say it as we used

to say it: "A Merry Christmas to

You and a Happy New Year."

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