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## EDITORIALS

### You Brought Christmas . . .

to Farmington. You brought it right through the patched door into the shabby living room and onto the empty table.

You did it with dimes, quarters, dollars and cans of food. You brought Christmas to your less fortunate neighbors by buying a Goodfellow paper and by sending your children to the Civic Theatre with a can of food.

And once again you have helped others in your home community that need help. You did it freely, generously, and with a smile. And your reward is a better community in which to live. By doing your part you have contributed much to the spirit of Christmas and to the warm friendliness of the Farmington community.

Nor does the story of Christmas in Farmington stop here, in fact, it starts with the Goodfellows themselves and with Mr. Hohler, manager of the Civic Theatre. It starts with the men who left their busy stores and offices to hawk their Goodfellow newspapers. The men who took your contribution with a smile that others might have a joyful Christmas.

It starts with Mr. Hohler who put on a special children's show at the Civic Theatre for the price of a can of food that other less fortunate children might enjoy a real Christmas dinner.

You, yes, all of you, brought Christmas to Farmington.

### Let's Dream A Little . . .

... it's that time of the year, you know. And while we are dreaming — let's dream of 365 Christmases, one for each day in the year.

No, we don't necessarily mean a gift a day for every member of the family. Once a year is hard enough on the pocketbook. Nor do we mean 365 days of candy, toys and holiday feasts. But we do mean 365 days of smiles and warm greetings of good will toward our fellowmen. A dream with 365 days of real Christmas spirit.

Haven't you ever wondered or even dreamed of such a miracle? Haven't you ever closed your eyes on a Christmas morning and asked yourself "Why can't this go on tomorrow and the next day and the next?" If you haven't — you haven't dreamed. You say, "Why dream? — it can never be! Then why hope — why have faith in things that can not be? Just one reason — they can be."

Many say there is no Santa Claus — but there is and always will be as long as there are people on this earth that can dream. We may not see him, but he is there at your house and mine. Many say there is no good will, or peace on earth, but there is — even though we can't always see it. We feel it like a wave at Christmas time. It sweeps us up our feet and we all of a sudden feel warm and friendly.

And when that wave hits, we close our eyes and wonder why it can't be Christmas 365 days a year.

### Washington Is Worried . . .

about the sun going down even though everybody said it was sure to set — it always has.

They apparently had the idea that unlimited sums of cash could hold the sun in the center of the sky forever. They couldn't find it in any book, so they wrote their own, and sold it to thousands of Americans.

But they are beginning to worry about the sun, it keeps getting lower in the west. Unemployment is beginning to come up in Washington conversations, so are incomes and production. The conversation is how to keep them up. The book says that they can't come down, and the readers and believers are as bewildered as the authors.

They all seemed to believe that strikes could continue, wages could climb, parties could grow, government spending could rise indefinitely and the sun would always shine. They believed this in spite of warnings and in spite of common sense and logic. And now they are worried. Money, even almost endless amounts of it, can't keep the sun up.

Theories, no matter how carefully worked out, can't take the place of age-old practical experience. You can't have strikes and production, or high income and heavy taxation, or parties and low prices forever. You can't have any more than you can have night during the day. The answer isn't in the stars, it's in the plain, down to earth practice of common sense.

## Churches

**NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH**  
M. J. Rensel, Pastor  
Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:30 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock.  
Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Road  
Rev. W. Rutkowski, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., nursery to senior departments.  
Divine services 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.  
Lutheran Hour broadcast at 12:30 Sunday noon, over KCLW.

**FIRST METHODIST**  
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister  
Morning Worship at 11:15 a.m.  
11:15 a.m. Nursery School.  
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship at 5:30 p.m.  
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. choir rehearsal at the church.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
2500 Grand River Avenue  
Corner of Imperial Hwy.  
Victor F. Halbroth, Pastor  
Early Service, 8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Late Service, 11 a.m.

**ORCHARD METHODIST MISSION**  
Thirteen Mile Road at Greening  
10:30 a.m. Morning service for everyone.  
6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship.  
Nursery for small children.

**FARMINGTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Grand River at Middlebelt  
Rev. Orville J. Whiffel, Pastor  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Cambridge and Grand River  
Farmington, Michigan  
Eddie A. Johns, Pastor  
Wilma A. Hood, Director of Music and Religious Education  
10:00 a.m. large, enthusiastic Sunday School.  
11:15 a.m. the Morning Worship.  
6:30 p.m. the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, the Wesley Adult Fellowship, the Evening Service.  
7:45 p.m. every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
23701 Cass Avenue  
Farmington  
11:00 a.m. Morning Services  
1:30 p.m. Sunday School.  
8:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial Service.  
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
"Christian Science" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 25.

"The Golden Text (Luke 2:14) is: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men.'"

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
"The Friendly Church"  
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor  
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.  
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Midweek services at 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.

**SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
"The Church on the Park"  
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor  
Mr. A. Bolitto, Mus. Dir., Organist  
Mr. G. C. Gledhill, Bd. Pres.  
Mr. E. B. Tyler, Dir. of Rel. Ed.  
A nursery department is maintained during the Morning worship.

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.  
Church School, 11:15 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship, Sunday evening.  
Aim and Purpose of Salem Church  
Help seeking people, through beautiful services, come close to God and to human comrades in worship.  
Help seeking people learn the truths by which they may live brave, happy and useful lives.  
Help seeking people gain strength by which they may become that which they have learned they ought to be.  
Help seeking people find comfort in sorrow, courage in struggle, joy in victory.  
Help seeking people come into union with Christ, their Master and Friend.

This, being our aim and purpose, we invite you to "Come and See."  
"Go to the Church of your choice but go to Church."

**ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit  
(Five Minutes from Bus Station)  
Rev. James H. Morley, Vicar  
Christmas Eve — 11:30 p.m.  
Choral Holy Communion  
Christmas Day — 10:30 a.m.  
Choral Holy Communion  
Kindergarten during this service.

## Merry Christmas!



## Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

### McCARRAN AS ADVISOR

Sen. Pat McCarran of Nevada, No. 1 enemy of Europe's homeless refugees, now has set himself up as chief volunteer public relations counsel to Europe's No. 1 Fascist dictator.

On his latest junket abroad, supposedly to "investigate the current refugee situation," McCarran gave Spain, Francisco Franco some shrewdly cynical advice on how to make friends and influence people.

### OUR LADY OF BOROVS

Rev. Thomas P. Braham, Pastor  
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 and 12:30.

Holy Day Masses: 5:30, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00.  
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00

### LIVONIA

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Cadman Prout, Pastor  
West Seven Mile Road  
Just East of Farmington Road  
10:30 a.m. — Morning Worship  
and Sunday School held at the same hour.

Nursery School for children over three. Everyone welcome.

### WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

J. Scott Greer, Minister  
Bible Study, 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday evening Service, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

**BIBLE COMMENT**  
FOR DEC. 25

**Christ of Christmas Is a Genuine Story of Triumph**

OUR celebration of Christmas centers chiefly, if not entirely, around the infant Jesus, and the story of the birth in Bethlehem.

That, in a measure, is as it should be; for it brings Christmas into every home, and surrounds with sanctity every birth, exalting and sanctifying motherhood as well.

But Christmas ought to have a deeper significance as well. It is not enough to glorify or worship the Babe, bringing adoration like the shepherds, and gifts like the Wise Men.

The note of tragedy, crowned with glory and triumph, is the story of Christmas. It began in sadness as well as joy, as Mary pondered in her heart the strange sayings and the prophecy of the sword that should pierce through her own heart. That prophecy was fulfilled as she followed her Son to Calvary, and stood by the cross (John 19:25).

In that hour on Calvary one could see the climax of that whole of suffering, set forth so poignantly in the portrayal of the Suffering Servant in the 33rd chapter of Isaiah. That suffering could not be in vain, but could be a part of the divine plan of blessing and redemption, was the message of that chapter, confirmed and fulfilled in the suffering and triumph of the Christ.

Even in the dark hour as the cross awaited Him Jesus could say to the disciples, "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

So let our Christmas celebration be one of joy and beauty, of rejoicing in the glorious birth, of the sanctity of love and home, of children, of the Christ who took them up in His arms and blessed them! But let it be also a celebration of victory and triumph, the Christmas of a Christ who died that we, and all men, might live!

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## ON CAPITOL HILL

### REP. GEORGE A. DONDERO

Pork chops are selling at from twelve to fifteen cents apiece; eggs at something above seventy cents a dozen for the best grades; milk at twenty to twenty-four cents a quart delivered at the door; coffee at sixty to eighty cents a pound; bread at seventeen cents to nineteen cents a loaf. Yet the city people who pay these prices seem to take them as a matter of course.

They might get up on their hind legs and make some changes via the ballot box in next year's Congressional elections if they would stop long enough to think why these outrageous prices exist. It would dawn upon them that their tax money is being spent by hundreds of millions to keep food prices high. This is the money which shows up on the pay voucher as "wasting tax money" and which taxpayers' families do not get to spend.

Farmers have long been told by New Deal and Fair Deal socialists, politicians and their farm support programs, as set up and administered by New Deal and Fair Deal administrations and majorities in Congress, have been and are, an unbearable and a heavy burden on the people as a whole, farm and city people alike.

All this, of course, is not to say that the government should just let the machinery for maintaining an approximate balance between the farm and other incomes on the average. It is to say that farm price support programs, as set up and administered by New Deal and Fair Deal administrations and majorities in Congress, have been and are, an unbearable and a heavy burden on the people as a whole, farm and city people alike.

Before the war, when farm production and demand for farm products were nearly in balance, the machinery for maintaining farm income at or near ninety per cent of parity with the average of other incomes worked fairly well, although the cost was high and the work not cheap. Then the war stimulated improvement of farm techniques, and farmers produced more and more, chiefly as a war contribution but also because of the government guarantee of a good price for all they could produce.

Almost immediately after the war it became apparent that farm surplus would become so great as to cost the taxpayers billions for price supports, while at the same time maintaining excessive war prices for food.

The Republican 80th Congress enacted the Hope-Aliken flexible farm price support bill, to become effective in 1950. This measure would have permitted the law of supply and demand to work sufficiently to prevent excessive farm surpluses. It was supported by the Farm Bureau Federation, and National Grange, and by farmers generally.

But this was not to the liking of the bureaucrats and their Fair Deal allies in Congress. It would have cramped their style of government spending and of political control over the nation's economy. So the Democratic 81st Congress supplanted the Hope-Aliken Act with a new one which reinstated the rigid ninety per cent of parity price supports. For this reason, and no other, food prices remain nearly at their wartime highs.

Even the farmers, the supposed beneficiaries of farm price support payments, do not like the rigid ninety per cent parity formula. They know now that their taxes, too, help to keep food prices high with perpetual wage raises in the city as a result, and high prices of everything farmers buy a still further result.

More recently the Fair Dealers have come forward with the Branran Farm Plan, which is pure socialism and which would even put the farmers in the position of bond servants to the bureaucrats. The farmers know this.

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

### FORTY YEARS AGO (December 24, 1909)

House Is Burned  
The farm house occupied by Claude Simmons, southwest of town, was destroyed by fire last Saturday. The house was owned by Fred Pinnow, and the fire, it is believed, was caused by an overheated stove. When the fire was discovered, it was burning between the ceiling and the floor above. Mr. Simmons succeeded in getting out most of the furniture, but the vegetables stored in the cellar were a total loss. The loss is covered by insurance.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of William Graham in West Farmington when his daughter, Amey, and Mr. Lawrence Giegler were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. N. E. Musser of the Farmington Baptist Church. At seven o'clock the bridal party came down the stairs, passing through an aisle of white ribbons, and stood under an arch hung with white wedding bells.

### TEN YEARS AGO (December 21, 1939)

Gas Well Produces Fuel  
The use of natural gas from a well situated in the backyard is a privilege which may be enjoyed in the future by residents of this area. One such well was opened Saturday by Frank W. Potts at his residence at 2025 Middlebelt Road. Potts, who is a gas and oil contractor, declared that a study of the underground formations in this area led him to believe that there is a large amount of the gas beneath the surface.

Goodfellow Drive Succeeds  
The annual drive of the Farmington Goodfellows went over the top, thereby assuring needy families of this area of happiness on Christmas day. Although final receipts had not been totaled Thursday morning, it seemed likely that nearly a thousand dollars will be available for relief work.

### FIVE YEARS AGO (December 21, 1944)

Home Fund Still Growing  
Contributions for the new American Legion Memorial Home are continuing to come in at a good rate, according to the members of the Memorial Home Association of Groves-Walker Post. The Post proposes to raise funds totaling \$20,000. With this money, in addition to the \$10,000 which the post has accumulated, and which they have placed in a Memorial Home fund, it will be possible to erect the new home entirely free of any outstanding indebtedness.

Bond Drive Goes Over Top  
Although complete reports for the sale of Bonds in Farmington during the Sixth War Loan Drive are not yet available, incomplete figures indicate that this community is well over its quota. Through December 16, Series E bonds in the amount of \$63,033.75 had been sold.

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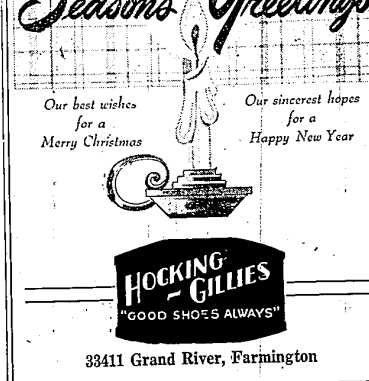
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