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EDITORIALS

A Brand New Book . . .

lies before us. Its pages are pure white and unmarked because they are the pages of a New Year about to begin.

Another book has been marked nearly from cover to cover. In 2 days the book will be sealed and filed away — another chapter in the history of a community. The words on those pages are your words; once written, can not be erased. pages will be yours also.

Once written, they can not be erased, once sealed, they can not be broken. But remember a new book lies before us and a new year. Let's think before we touch the pen to the ink. Let's not scribble aimlessly, let's plan constructively. Let's write with determination, with wisdom, with foresight because the words, once written, can not be erased.

This fits our personal lives, our community lives, our state and national affairs. They are all one and the same because in a democracy personal and community well-being is state and national well being too. Let's plan and direct instead of stumble and grope.

Let's know our community better, that it may know us. Let's actively and aggressively show an interest in the affairs of our community. Let's encourage efficiency, planning, and a progressive attitude throughout our home community. Let's strengthen our cooperative spirit, our working together. Let's arm ourselves with constructive suggestions instead of just blunt critical blasts. Let's lead our lives, our community, our state and nation, not follow blindly and silently.

Because this is your life, your hometown, your country. You are writing the history, for this is a true democracy. But it may not always be that way unless you and your neighbors speak, act and plan to strengthen your community, the heart of a democratic nation. Strong hometowns make strong nations.

A brand new book lies before us. Let's be proud of what we write because it can't be erased on January 31, 1951.

They're Really Producing . . .

down on the farm and the results are one of the bright spots on the 1950 horizon.

The pigs and the chickens are setting an example we might all take note of. They are producing in record breaking peacetime proportions. The result is lower prices to the consumer, and a leveling off of our economy.

Unfortunately we haven't caught on to the routine. We still are thinking in terms of souped up payrolls and blown up dollars. We are still dreaming of castles instead of building them. We are fighting to keep the price of living up and shadow boxing with inflation. We are knocking ourselves out talking about high prices and forgetting our hands that make production.

We continue to build up a false economy, a castle in the air that nobody can live in. We borrow, we go deep in debt and forget that the extra pennies in our pocket can't even pay the interest. The pigs and the chickens are producing and they are helping not only the consumer but their boss, the farmer. They are contributing to the return of the only sound basis of economy, supply and demand. They are helping to make a dollar worth a dollar instead of 50c.

They are producing as all of us must produce if we are to regain our balance. If we are to right our Ship of State, if we are to produce more, of better quality at cheaper prices. Then and only then will we increase our standard of living. Then and only then will we make headway in the rough sea of unbalanced budgets. Then and only then will we solve the unsolvable in the eyes of the world.

Peace . . .

is not a word that can be bought and sold. It can not be laid on a velvet pillow and displayed under a glass cover.

It must be born in the hearts of men and carried there as a symbol of courage and might. A symbol of force greater than any force on earth.

Churches

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

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 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. choir rehearsal at the church.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
25600 Grand River Avenue
Corner of Imperial Hwy.
Victor P. Halbrock, 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. Windell, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan
Eliot 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.
7:30 p.m., 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
Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Textual Meeting
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
"God and the Subject of the Lesson-Sermon in All Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, January 1."
The Golden Text (Psalms 17:13)
"Who is so great a God as our God?"

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. Bolito, Mus. Dir. & Organist
Mr. G. C. Gildemester, Dir. of 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 evenings.

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, 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 Currie Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)
Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar
9:30 a.m. Church School (three years and up)
12:40 a.m. Morning Prayer (First Sunday Holy Communion).
11:00 a.m. Kindergarten (3 to 5)
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion (years).

Ready for the Plunge



MICHIGAN MIRROR



INTERPRETING THE NEWS

By GENE ALLEMAN

Michigan friends of Arthur E. Summerfield, the Flint chairman of the Republican National Strategy Committee, are convinced that Michigan may yet rescue the national minority party from its current predicament of near total eclipse. Since a Michigan-born man, Thomas E. Dewey of Owosso, was on the losing end of the surprise election in November, 1948, the situation has more than casual interest.

It has been the belief of Mr. Summerfield, who is the Republican National Committeeman for Michigan, that voters are entitled to a clear-cut choice of issues in the two major parties. Governor Dewey, the Republican national nominee in 1944 and again in 1948, offered a "me-too" attitude with respect to many of Roosevelt's new deal reforms.

As chairman of the national strategy committee of the Republican Party Mr. Summerfield has called for an end of agreement with the Democratic party in principle by saying that "we can do it better."

Under the direction of Mr. Summerfield and the state chairman, John A. Wagner of Battle Creek, the state GOP organization did wage a vigorous campaign in 1948, losing only the Governor's office in a surprise reversal caused more by antipathy of many voters to Governor Sigler than anything else. While Governor Dewey lost in other major states, he did carry Michigan, his home state, by a respectable margin.

It is the thesis of Mr. Summerfield that an important difference has developed between the Roosevelt and Truman administrations. "With Roosevelt we were drifting towards socialism, but with Truman there is no drift -- it's a headlong rush," said Summerfield at the strategy meeting in Chicago. "The American people can only sense this, but the members of congress, the governors and the politicians everywhere know it. 'If the Democrats make any gains whatsoever in the house and senate in 1950, there is likely to be a pell-mell rush to get on the Socialist bandwagon.'"

The basic predicament of the Republican cause, as interpreted by many students is the fact that many wage-earners and farmers have associated the Republican party with the emblem of "selfish industry."

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Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

A-BOMB PROGRESS

Now that inquisitive Senator Ed Johnson of Colorado has discussed various atomic matters on television, it is possible to speak frankly about the awesome race to develop death by the atom.

1. Although the United States now has an A-bomb many times more powerful than that dropped on Hiroshima, nevertheless it is true, as Senator Johnson says, that scientists are working on a bomb more devastating than anything so far conceived by the mind of man.

This is a hydrogen bomb. The present A-bombs are made of plutonium. But hydrogen is what makes the sun burn, and a hydrogen bomb would literally burn up large portions of the earth's surface.

One difficulty in making a hydrogen bomb is producing the detonation instrument to make it explode. This will require unheard of heat, and it looks as if about the only thing that could make a hydrogen A-bomb explode is the present plutonium A-bomb we have today.

Another important chapter in death-dealing which scientists are working on feverishly is the nature of the nucleus of the atom. Today, only a small portion of the potential energy in the atom is used in the current atomic bomb.

However, scientists now expect to achieve sufficient understanding of the nature of the atom to enable them to double and triple the explosive power of the bomb without increasing the amount of plutonium required.

Finally, American scientists

have developed instruments to detect radiation which are so sensitive they can pick up traces of an atomic explosion at a distance up to 10,000 miles. In fact, following the test explosions at Bikini, physicists at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., were able to detect radiation from the explosion in the clouds above Ithaca.

TRUMAN'S CAT-NAPS

Insiders say that the secret of Truman's good health and amazing (Continued on Page Eight)

BIBLE COMMENT

FOR JAN. 1

How the Christian Church Began Is Thrilling Story

For many months during this year many Sunday Schools will be studying the story of the founding and growth of the Christian Church, as it is told chiefly in the Book of the Acts. It is hoped that this column will be of help to teachers and scholars, but inasmuch as it seems to be read widely by many who are not in Sunday Schools, it will deal in general with the story of the spreading of Christianity, without reference to particular lessons.

[That story, of early Christianity, is both amazing and thrilling. What could be more amazing than that a little group of men and women in a small land in the midst of ancient empires could receive from a leader a mission of the conquest of the world? And with a spiritual message, the Gospel, be inspired to go forth with faith and courage, believing that that mission could be fulfilled?]

Is there not a deep thrill in the vision of Paul, the great Apostle, a Jewish citizen of Rome, and proud of his free-born citizenship in a slave-ridden world, surveying the vast power that had conquered all the then known world, but declaring, "I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also, for it is the power of God" (Romans 1:16). Might against might! Power against power! What faith, and vision, and courage was in that little Jew as he set the empire of Christ, as yet in his Christian dream, over against that vast empire of Rome with all its power over all the world!

The uncertain world of today needs Christians, perhaps as it never needed them before. Christians whose sense of God's presence and power make even the might of the world seem weak. Christians who say, inasmuch as in us, we are ready to preach the gospel.



Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

FORTY YEARS AGO (December 31, 1909)

Dies of Apoplexy
Dr. J. J. Moore, a highly respected citizen of Farmington, died at his home here of apoplexy on Tuesday, December 28. Dr. Moore's health had been poor for the past three years. While at the barn Tuesday morning, he was taken with a stroke from which he died at 8 o'clock. Dr. Moore was born in Plymouth, England, and had been a resident of this village since 1865, where he followed his profession up to the time of his death. The deceased leaves a widow and one son, Harry, to mourn their loss.

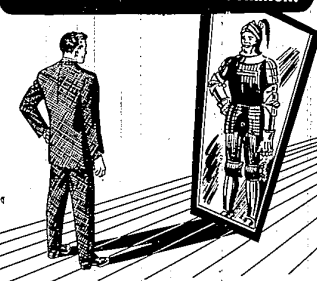
Governor Warner and the members of the commission which selected the silver service which the state presents to the battleship Michigan will go to Philadelphia on January 5 to make the formal presentation to officers and men of the ship.
TEN YEARS AGO (December 28, 1939)

Begin Tax Collections
With their purses scarcely recovered from the seige of Christmas buying, Farmington residents will soon begin to "dig down again." This time it's the "sure thing" — taxes. The tax rate for the city this year will be somewhat higher than last year's. Taxpayers will be assessed \$36.21 per thousand dollars. This rise is due mainly to the extra burden imposed by the building of the new school gymnasium building.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 28, 1944)
Fire Destroys Taylor Garage
The worst fire to occur in this vicinity in a long while was that which broke out late Wednesday afternoon at the Jake Taylor Chevrolet Garage at Walled Lake. A call came to Farmington at 8 p.m. asking assistance. Fumes from gasoline, near paint, caused the fire. Six cars in the garage added to the configuration and the entire business area of Walled Lake was threatened.

AschenBrenner Heads New School Board
Members who were recently elected to serve on the Board of Education of the Farmington School District met Tuesday evening and elected Dr. Z. R. AschenBrenner president, Paul Schreiber secretary, and Guy Duran treasurer. The two remaining members are Isaac Bond and Jess Early.

HE WEARS AN INVISIBLE SUIT OF ARMOR!

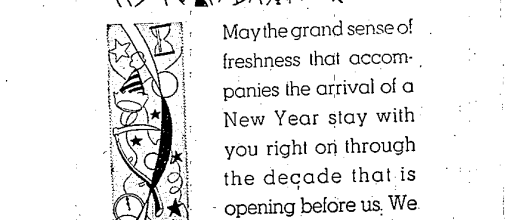


His Savings Account encourages thrift in his family and creates the important savings desire among his children.

THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK

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HAPPY NEW YEAR 1950



May the grand sense of freshness that accompanies the arrival of a New Year stay with you right on through the decade that is opening before us. We

wish for you not only a Happy New Year, but a happy 1950 to 1960.

PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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