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## EDITORIALS

### It's Down To Work . . .

for four men, residents of Farmington Township. They have agreed to accept the responsibility of drafting a Zoning Ordinance for Farmington Township.

Before we jump right into the middle of the fray, let's think for just a minute. These four men have been appointed and have accepted a responsibility. It won't be an easy job and it will take countless hours. No ordinance has been proposed, let alone adopted, as yet. The work papers of the Board are blank.

They don't know, nor does anyone else, what the final draft of the ordinance will be. No one knows, because it hasn't even been started. Unfortunately, a lot of township residents have the idea that a zoning ordinance already has been drafted. Some even have the impression that one has been adopted.

This is not true. The Zoning Board has just been appointed and organized. The actual work has not started. The previous proposed township ordinance, which was turned down by the voters, is not just being put up again. A new board has been appointed and a complete restudy of the zoning problem is to be made. The public will have ample opportunity to study the new proposed ordinance at open meetings after the draft begins to take shape.

That is why it is important that township residents look before they leap. The Enterprise is neither for nor against the zoning ordinance, because there isn't any. In fact, it will be some time before there is even a draft of an ordinance.

Let's hold our fire — let's give these four men a chance to work freely. Let's save our breath for the right time and place — the public meeting.

### Santa Is Back North . . .

snuggled down for a long winter — the little guy 1950 has already taken a couple of steps and we are into a new year.

Now that the horn blowing and shouting has died down we can get down to the job of making this a banner year in the Farmington area. New business places are going up in the City and throughout the Township. More and more people are making the Farmington community their hometown.

With more business places and more people come problems — problems that present a challenge to all of us. But most important comes progress and the opportunity to build. The Farmington area is growing. It is growing faster than many of us realize. We must meet the problems that come with growth, collectively and earnestly.

The entire Farmington community urgently needs progressive action and cooperative planning. A community can often accomplish things that individuals or even groups of individuals can not. There are many things we are not sure of — but the growth of our community is certain. Improvements in service to the people always cost money and plenty of it. But too often we think in terms of cash only and not investments and progress.

A renewed community spirit is urgently needed as the year 1950 gets under way. It costs nothing but can mean everything. The spirit of trading with your community merchants, the active interest in both city and township governmental affairs, the participating in the work of our church, civic and service organizations.

Individually and collectively we can encourage our merchants by trading with them, and we can suggest methods of improving the trading area. We can attend local governmental meetings. We can encourage efficiency in our governments. We can collectively work towards the establishment of an overall planning commission. We can encourage new business and industry that will make our community more self-supporting and individual. We can develop a plan for the establishment of a much needed post office. We can work toward a semi-regular fire department.

These are only a few of the problems of 1950. Some are urgent, some are long range, but planning is important. And it can not be done unless we all cooperate in a united effort. The results will be a better community in which to live. A community that you and your neighbors helped to build and that you are proud to call home.

## Churches

**NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH**  
M. J. Ramo, Pastor  
Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (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 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**  
2550 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 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  
Elsie 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 a.m. every Wednesday evening, the Prayer Service.

**CHRISTIAN SOCIETY**  
23701 Cass Avenue  
Farmington  
11:00 a.m. Morning Services  
Sunday School  
8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial Meeting.  
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
"Sacrament" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon for all churches throughout the world on Sunday, January 8.  
The Golden Text (Proverbs 16: 13) is: "The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the Lord."  
Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.

**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. Boltho, Mus. Dir. & Organist.  
Mr. G. G. Gildemeister, Ed. 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.

**ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Lenore and Curtis Aves., Detroit (Five Minutes from Bus Station)  
Rev. James H. Morris, Vicar  
9:30 a.m. Church School (three years and up)  
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (First Sunday Holy Communion)  
11:30 a.m. Rindergerg (3 to 5 years).  
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.



### Washington Merry-Go-Round

By DREW PEARSON

**FASCIST NEIGHBORS**  
Recent revolution and rioting in Latin America has pointed up what the American public has long dimly realized, namely that while we are fighting Communism in Europe, we are losing out to fascism at our own front door.  
Panama, which surrounds the most important waterway in the world so far as the United States is concerned, is now in the hands of a dictator, Arnulfo Arias, who

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, 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. G. Adam, 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 JAN. 8

#### The Resurrection Was the Church's One Foundation

WITH the miracle of the Resurrection of Jesus is associated the miracle of the transformation in the lives of men—a miracle that one man so transformed actually described as a passing from death unto life.  
It was the Apostle John, one of the brothers whom Jesus called Bonaners, "sons of thunder"—the brothers who had wanted Jesus to call down fire and consume villages who had used Him inhumanly, and who, through their mother, had sought the foremost places—this John, who said, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren." (1 John 3:14)  
It was in the miracle of the Resurrection—and in this miracle in the lives of the disciples—that the founding of the church began. Its true founder, of course, was Jesus, and it was founded in His life and teaching. Its charter was the Sermon on the Mount, and its mission and purpose the preaching of the good news concerning the gospel of God's love and grace. But it was the Resurrection that brought the life and teaching to triumph in the lives of those who went forth to preach that gospel and to found the church.  
They were real Christian statesmen, the men of divine destiny, who established the church upon its one foundation, Jesus Christ, whom they had known in His earthly life, and whose spiritual presence, "Lo, I am with you always," was their strength and guidance.  
Soon they were to be strengthened by a converted persecutor, Paul, who saw the Christ, as he said, "as one born out of due season."  
If we would see the Christian church strong today, we must relive the experience of these men. We must find the faith, vision, and courage of the early disciples. What was possible then is possible now, if we will seek the power and guidance of God.

## MICHIGAN MIRROR



By GENE ALLEMAN

As a step toward contributing trained physicians to Michigan, President David D. Henry of Wayne University Detroit, has asked Governor Williams that a request for \$30,000,000, be presented at the 1950 special session of the state legislature for construction of a Medical Science building. The structure would make possible an increase in the medical endowment of approximately 50 per cent.

Harry Henderson, member of the State Liquor Control Commission, is backing a plan for remedial action for alcoholics. Drinkers at large would be invited to contribute coins for establishment of a clinic for chronic drunkards. George W. Hood, spokesman for the Metropolitan Detroit Committee on Alcoholism, has estimated that 136,700 excessive drinkers reside in Michigan. Hood says there are 40,000 drinkers in Detroit industry. By taking an average of 22 working days a year, they cost the factories nearly \$2,350,000 annually.

The Michigan Police Journal recently stated that "the most tragic aspect of the problem of alcoholism in this country is the rapid increase of excessive drinking among those in the lower age bracket." This publication for Michigan Police Chiefs quotes the Reverend Ralph S. Pfau, lecturer who has spent two years working among members of Alcoholics Anonymous. "The average incident has dropped from 35 to 33 years in the past five years, states Pfau."

Another quote from the Police Journal: "Meanwhile in Detroit the number of drunks brought in to Recorder's Court each day continues at a rapid pace. During the first two weeks of October when Recorder's Judge Paul E. Krause handled the early sessions, he heard an average of 50 drunk cases daily."

Little wonder then that the Michigan Table-Toppers, statewide organization for the beverage industry, has endorsed this program of Commissioner Henderson to do something about the growing problem of alcoholics.  
Also studying the alcoholic problem is a committee of the legislature headed by Representative T. Jefferson Hoxie, St. Louis. Other members included Reps. Peter J. Kelly, Detroit; Glenn B. Robinson, South Haven; Homer L. Bauer, Charlevoix; and Earl Hebert, Escanaba.

Another post-war problem: More classrooms and more teachers — both of which will require more tax money — will be needed by Michigan public schools during the next six years, according to the State Department of Public Instruction, Lansing. Present school enrollment is estimated at approximately 1,000,000; will rise by 1956 to 1,200,000. Needed in 1950: 333 additional classrooms.

Total debt of governments in Michigan — state, county, cities, (Continued on Page Five)

## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

**Forty Years Ago (January 7, 1910)**  
Methodist Church Re-Dedicated  
The Farmington M. E. church will be officially re-opened next Sunday, January 9. Rev. C. B. Allen, Superintendent, of the Detroit District will have charge of the services morning and evening. All the former pastors, and many other prominent clergymen and educationalists have been invited to be present. A platform meeting is being held in the afternoon at 3 p.m. Rev. Charles Collins of Dearborn is to give an address to young men and women at this meeting, and other short addresses will be delivered.

**Lucinda Webster Dies**  
Mrs. Gardarous Webster, the former Lucinda Green, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Grace, last Friday. She was born in Covington, New York, August 10, 1822, and came to Farmington 20 years later.

**Ten Years Ago (January 4, 1940)**  
Post Office Sets Record  
More stamps were sold in the Farmington post office during 1939 than in any year since the office was established, according to Norman C. Lee, postmaster. "We sold exactly \$14,150.50 worth of stamps last year," said Lee, "and that's a lot of stamps." Judging by past records of stamp sales, it seems that the art of letter writing is becoming more popular each year. In 1932, stamp sales were down to \$6000.

**Repeal Tax Ruling**  
Apple growers of the Farmington area who are following the court proceedings between the State Apple Commission and certain growers who contend the recently-passed Apple Tax law is illegal, saw another turn of events this week as the commission instructed attorney general Thomas Reed to appeal the case to the supreme court. The act was declared illegal by Berrien county circuit judge Fremont Evans.

**Five Years Ago (January 4, 1945)**  
Kiwanis Installs Officers  
Inauguration of new officers of the Farmington Kiwanis Club was held Wednesday at Botsford Inn. Joseph Himelreich was installed as Lieutenant Governor of Michigan, Keen Loomis, president of the Farmington club; A. C. Tagg, first vice-president; Leo Gildemeister, second vice-president; James T. Warner, Jr., secretary and John Rudberg, treasurer.

**Exchange Club Gets New Leaders**  
New officers took over the reins at Wednesday's meeting of the Farmington Exchange Club. Ed Ramsey is the new president; Dr. Maynard Whitehead, vice-president; Dr. C. G. Goodale, secretary; Emory Hutton, treasurer; and Roy Plunton, Sheriff. Installation ceremonies took up the regular program time following the luncheon.

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