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Completed tabulations at the Higgins Lake nursery show about 3,955,000 pieces of stock were planted mainly in state forests and parks and state recreation and game areas. Some trees were used on stream improvement projects, for bank planting and other purposes. Applications for fall tree planting stock will not be accepted by the forestry division at Lansing until August 15. Price and stock list will be available for farmers and other land owners at that time.

Campers — Douse your campfire — Keep Michigan Green!

Farmington Universalist Church Dedicated August 28, 1853

(EDITOR'S NOTE — The Universalist Church at Warner and Thomas Streets, Farmington's oldest house of worship, is preparing to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1953. Apropos of this centennial, The Farmington Enterprise is publishing a series of articles on the church's history, of which this is the second. Readers are advised to clip and save these articles. A limited number of extra copies of The Enterprise will be available for mailing to friends.)

II. — DEDICATION

The time was ripe, in the middle 1800's, for an interdenominational church in Farmington. The early starting Presbyterian congregation was distinguished by the fact that its church, near what is now Twelve Mile and Halsted Roads, was being abandoned as "too far away" (although the denomination reorganized in 1857). The Quakers, whose views were similar to those of the Universalists, were not evangelists. Within about 30 years their church disbanded.

Sergius P. Lyon's Union Society welcomed all comers, for the Universalists professed no creeds. The liberal Universalist preaching, moreover, had an electrifying effect on the people of the age, for it was startling and a welcome relief from hell-fire orthodoxy.

In pulpits throughout the land, long-faced fundamentalists were loudly thundering the doctrine of eternal damnation for sinners and were proclaiming that only the true disciples could be saved. This was a religion of fear.

The Rev. Mr. Woolley, by contrast, taught that hell was imaginary and that every man had within himself the capacity for salvation. He preached of a God "absolutely on the side of mankind."

This was a religion of love.

The Union Church began in a small way. The first services were attended only by men — Mr. Lyon, Morris Blakesley, Harrison Philbrick, Orange Culver, Zephaniah Green and a few others. Soon three women were regular attendants.

The word spread. Before long so many persons were attending this hell-less church that props had to be placed under the floor to insure safety.

A meeting-house would have to be built. Farmington, Michigan and the nation were on the march. Plank roads were being laid feverishly. Territorial Road (Shiawassee Street), an old Indian trail, would be supplanted in importance by the plank Detroit - Howell Military Road, which also approximated the location of the present Grand River Cut-Off.

The treaty of peace with Mexico was ratified. Gold was discovered in California. More and more steamboats were plying the Lakes. The first telegraph line from New York to Detroit was completed. Mr. Lyon got together with Supervisor John H. Button, Orange Culver, Zephaniah Green and several others and talked church-building.

To raise enough money seemed an almost hopeless task. But before 1850 some material had been bought and stored away. Contributors to the meeting-house subscription in 1850 included the following: Sergius P. Lyon, Charles B. Button, Royal Aldrich, Leverett I. Harger, John D. Morgie, Levi Pettibone, E. S. Bulles, John H. Button, Morris Blakesley, Levi Blahop, W. A. Button, Norton Lapham, Benjamin Heliker, Elijah Deiling.

At a meeting of the Union Society October 5, 1852, the following officers were elected: Mr. Lyon, clerk; Morris Blakesley, treasurer; Norton Lapham, collector, and Mr. Lyon, Mr. Blakesley, Mr. Lapham, Benjamin Peterson and John H. Button trustees.

In the spring of 1852 the building project began in earnest. Within nine weeks a site of nearly one acre had been bought in the new Delos Davis plot for \$200, and before the end of the summer the church was built and occupied. The original building, 20 by 30 feet, which cost \$200, is still used, after numerous enlargements and remodelings, by the Universalists. Miss Nancy J. Riley of North Farmington, who, September 1, 1853, to her friend Addie Emmet Green, who had gone west with the Gold Rush:

"There has been a new church built at the village since you left."

It was dedicated last Sunday by a Universalist minister."

The date of dedication was August 28, and the "Universalist" minister was the Rev. Zemus Cook. Emmet Green also received a report — a frank one — about Mr. Cook. It was written by Green's sister, Mrs. Emma Heliker of Farmington:

"We have preaching at the village once in two weeks by Elder Cook. He is liked very well but not quite as well as Elder Woolley was. I think it would be almost impossible to find one to fill his place in the hearts of the people." (Mr. Cook later took up farming.)

Some 53 parishioners contributed 100 genuine dollars to the new pastor's support for one year. The contributors:

Mrs. Royal Aldrich, P. C. Allen, T. C. Armstrong, Morris Blakesley, Worthly Blanchard, Henry J. Brown, Charles B. Button, D. A. Button, George W. Button, John H. Button, Mr. D. Chapman, Austin Chilson, L. M. Cowis, Samuel Cranston, A. J. Crosby, Orange Culver, Elijah M. Deiling.

Adding to the list of contributors: Job G. Francis, Thomas Fry, Zephaniah I. Green, E. G. Harger, Leverett I. Harger, Selak Harger, Benjamin Heliker, Alonzo Hollock, Powell Hollock, Alanson Hudson, Luther Lapham, Norton Lapham, I. C. Leach, David Leet, Israel P. Leet, Sergius P. Lyon, Andrew Norrop.

Continuing the list were: Levi Pettibone, Mrs. H. Philbrick, Benjamin Peterson, — Peterson, Peter Rodmond, Warren Ruddle, Harry Seelye, John V. Seelye, Warren B. Selby, Dr. William M. Shaw, J. B. Sherman, Alfred Stuart, Charles G. Stuedey, Almond C. Tucker, Elihu S. Walker, Belarius Webster, George White, James Willis.

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(The next installment will deal with the abolitionists, the Underground Railroad and the approach of the Civil War.)

Summer Enrollment At MSC Nears 5,200

Michigan State College's 1951 summer school enrollment is expected to come close to breaking the college's all-time summer registration.

An estimated 5,200 students are expected to enroll this summer compared to 5,063 in 1950 and 5,283 in the peak year, 1947, according to Kermit Smith, assistant registrar.

At the end of late registration for the two official summer terms, 4,802 students had registered. Male students totaled 2,485 and female students numbered 1,469.

Registration of students in special credit workshops and clinics later in the summer is expected to swell the total to the 5,200 figure.

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By MRS. ROSEMARY JONES

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 346 of Farmington are proud to have another of their organization go to greater heights in the American Legion organization.

Mrs. Trenna Quinn has been elected vice-president of the 17th District, succeeding Mrs. Henrietta Cohen. Mrs. Quinn deserves this honor; her untiring work in her own unit and with the department is proof of her ability to handle this new assignment.

Mrs. Peg Hupert and Mrs. Muriel McKeehan have been elected delegates to the state convention, which will be held in Detroit August 2 through August 5.

One hundred and seventy-five years have now passed since that July of 1776 when representatives of the American colonies declared "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness."

That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

With these words, they turned a switch that charged the minds and spirits of Americans with the electrifying force of freedom. For the first time in human history all men were officially recognized as the equal creations of God, and government restricted to the role of protector of the individual's God-given rights. As a result, there followed the miraculous progress of America from a fringe of pioneer colonies to the magic land of today where the average citizen has advantages beyond the dreams of kings in 1776.

During this anniversary month of July, each one of us should offer a prayer of thanks for the wisdom given to the Americans of 175 years ago, and for the courage given to those who built and defended the nation established by their inspired Declaration. And on our stated knees we should ask for strength to protect this nation from today's surrounding dangers, in order that the self-evident truths declared in that long ago July shall continue to bless our land and bring hope to the world.

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ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	1,644,370.88
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	2,402,768.05
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	240,971.47
Other bonds, notes and debentures	97,498.51
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank	7,500.00
Loans and Discounts (including \$247 overdrafts)	3,180,833.51
Furniture and fixtures	36,692.71
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	3,817.25
TOTAL ASSETS	7,614,451.79

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	3,195,077.34
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	3,349,171.46
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	64,826.94
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	412,917.96
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc)	94,565.05
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$7,116,558.75
Other liabilities	101,740.43

TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below) 7,218,299.18

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Common stock	100,000.00
Surplus	150,000.00
Undivided profits	135,402.61
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	10,750.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	396,152.61

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS 7,614,451.79

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 150,000.00
Deposits of the State of Michigan (Included in Item 15) 25,000.00

I, H. W. Avery, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. W. AVERY

Correct Attest:
Emory O. Hatton
Byron E. Lapham, Directors
Floyd H. Nichols

State of Michigan, County of Oakland, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of July, 1951.

Joyce Habermehl, Notary Public
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My Commission expires November 6, 1951.

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