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EDITORIALS

What Did You Do?

You may be familiar with these lines, written by J. I. Dean Shatlin, Tank Commander, on a battlefield in Africa, after he had amputated his foot with a jackknife and thought he was dying. He was rescued by Americans after two hours of hiding and is now recuperating in a hospital in England. And even if you are familiar with them, you'll get something out of re-reading them.

What Did You Do Today?

What did you do today, my friend,
From morning till the night?
How many times did you complain
That rationing is too tight?
When are you going to start to do
All the things you say?
A soldier would like to know, my friend,
What did you do today?

We met the enemy today
And took the town by storm,
Happy reading it will make
For you without a thorn.
You'll read with satisfaction
The brief communique
We fought, but are you fighting?
What did you do today?

My gunner died in my arms today,
I feel his warm blood yet;
Your neighbor's dying boy gave out
A scream I'll ne'er forget.
On my right a tank was hit,
A flash and then a fire,
The stench of burning flesh
Still rises from the pyre.

What did you do today, my friend,
To help with the task?
Did you work hard and long for less
Or is that too much to ask?
"What right have I to ask you this?"
You probably will say,
Maybe now you'll understand,
You see . . . I died today.

So Little Time

It is a source of deep wonder to us how some men find time to do so much.

It is worth remembering that great men have but a few hours a day to be great men. Like us they must give up at least seven hours a day to sleep. They must dress, bathe, shave, eat, and occasionally attend to matters of a strictly personal nature—visits to the dentist, physician, manicurist, barber, and conferences with their wives about domestic and family matters.

This leaves them not too much more than eight hours a day to pursue their greatness. Some of these hours must be assigned to the job of keeping informed. They must read newspapers, reports, listen to their associates, review plans, sign papers, and get to and from their different meeting places which often are a couple of hundred miles apart.

So you see they have even less time to be great men than might be supposed. They really have just a couple of hours a day.

What makes them great is their ability to decide what is important, and then focus their attention on it. Another factor is their energy, and this accounts for their ability to do so much more than ordinary mortals. They have mental energy. With a whole day of idleness yawning ahead, we all know how impossible it is to get around to the performance of a ten-minute task. Busy men, presumably, don't postpone unpleasant duties.

Dry Quickly

Fresh, tender ears in the milk stage, and just right for table use, give best results in corn drying. The drying should be started as soon as possible after gathering, for when corn stands around after harvesting, the sugar it contains rapidly changes to starch.

Woolen Hose

To reduce shrinkage when laundering woolen hose, do not soak them. Wash them out quickly by drying should be started as soon as possible after gathering, for when corn stands around after harvesting, the sugar it contains rapidly changes to starch.

Churches

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m. Sunday School, for fourth grade and above.
11:00 a.m. Sunday School, for nursery through third grade.
11:00 a.m. Worship Service.
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. Sermon topic for Universal Bible Sunday will be "The Mighty Word of God."
Bible School at 11:15 a.m. We invite you to the sessions of our school.
Junior and Senior B.Y.P.U. meetings at 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m. Special music. An informal message by the pastor.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan

Elsie A. Jobus, Pastor
Marion P. Owen, Music and Religious Education Director

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 Thursday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Saudercock, Pastor
Evangeline 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 (also high school girls and boys).
1:30-3:00 p.m. Missionary meeting.

Due to the fact that plans are being made for a new building, Sunday services are held in P. R. A. building, back of Pleron School Seven Mile, near Farmington Rd. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY

23609 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.

Young People's meeting Friday evening.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

Meets at the Macomber Hall at Grand River and Eight Mile Road.
Rev. W. J. Prisk, Pastor

Mrs. Norma Riddell, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. Mid-Week Prayer and Praise Meeting.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Rev. Thomas P. Deahna, 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 p.m.

REDFORD ASSEMBLY OF GOD

16760 Laher 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.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Clarence K. Graham, Pastor

10:30 a.m. Unified Service: Morning Worship and Bible School combined.

7 p.m. Youth Fellowship Hour, 8 p.m. Evangelistic Service.

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

Friday, 7:30 p.m. The Senior B.Y.F. will meet for their "Fun Night."

A warm and cordial welcome awaits all who attend our services.

THE NATION'S PRIDE



CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

New High School Auditorium
Farmington

"God the Preserver of Man" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 10.

The Golden Text (II Timothy 4:18) is: "The Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom."

Among the Bible citations is this passage (I John 4:16): "And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him."

Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following: (518): "Love giveth to the least spiritual idea might, immortality, and goodness, which shine through all as the blossom shines through the bud."

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Midwest at Eight Mile Rd.
E. L. Stumpfig, Pastor

Sunday school, Nursery to Senior classes, at 9:30 a.m.

Bible class for young people and adults at 9:45 a.m.

Divine worship at 10:45 a.m. All the community is welcome.

Lutheran Hour, with Dr. W. A. Maier, at 12:30 over CKLW.

Bible discussion hour, Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

Young people's night every Thursday. All young people are sincerely welcome. Singing at 7:30. Bible topics, entertainment, etc., at 8:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Walled Lake, Michigan

"The Defender of the Weak" will be the sermon subject of Richard Nyberg, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Walled Lake, Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The choir will sing an appropriate anthem.

"Faith, the Book with a Romance" will be his subject at 8 p.m., beginning a series of messages from books of the Bible. There will be a sing-along song service with special music preceding the message.

SALEM EVANGELICAL
Rev. Carl Schultze, Pastor

Morning worship service, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.

Centerpiece

Flowers arranged as a centerpiece for the dining room table should be low enough to see over easily.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON

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

SUNDAY SERVICES
AT 11:00 A. M.

Lesson Subject
"GOD THE PRESERVER OF MAN"

And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p.m. at

33336 Grand River Avenue
Reading Room Hours:

Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m.
Wednesday Evening: 9 to 9:30

Saturday, 2 to 6 p.m.
Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evenings

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TEN YEARS AGO (December 20, 1934)

Skating Pond Ready Saturday
Farmington's new skating pond is expected to be ready for skaters Saturday, providing the temperature stays below freezing. Commissioner Hutton and William Gregor, who have been in charge of the construction, plan to have the pond flooded Friday by blocking a 30-inch creek in the dam and backing up the water to cover an area of approximately an acre and a half, to a depth of two feet.

Refunding Bonds Signed
Farmington City officials have cleared the way for the municipality's financial situation, at least as it relates to handling of bonded indebtedness, for 20 years to come, with the completion of the refunding process that has been under way for some weeks.

Goodfellows' Big Day is Next Monday
Next Monday will be another red letter day in the history of Farmington Goodfellows, who will gather again on the day before Christmas to distribute to less fortunate residents of this section the good things that they would otherwise miss at this season. This year the emphasis will be upon the children.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 7, 1939)

Dr. Aschenbrenner To Head County Doctors
Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, prominent Farmington physician, will head the Oakland County Medical Society for the coming year. He assumed this office Wednesday evening. He was named president-elect a year ago, according to the custom of the Society. Approximately 150 physicians in Oakland County are members of the Society.

New School Building To Open Friday
Plans are complete for the opening of the new high school gymnasium-auditorium Friday evening. On that evening Farmington high school will open its 1940 basketball season, playing Walled Lake. A feature of the evening will be the basketball game between Alma College and Lawrence Tech, of Detroit.

Goodfellow Drive Opens With Game
The first of a series of events in the annual Farmington Goodfellow drive will take place Sunday afternoon when a benefit football game will be played at the high school athletic field. All proceeds from the game will go to aid needy families in the Farmington district.

Michigan Mirror
INTERPRETING THE NEWS

As business men whose individual investments run into many thousands of dollars, Michigan farmers are becoming downright weary over the persistent parade of commissioners of agriculture to and from Lansing, the state capital.

For the past ten years, in fact, Michigan has switched biennially its state administration. The two-year term for governor has permitted a shift of political sentiment to turn the tides, first in favor of one party and then in favor of the opposition, with the result that the post of commissioner has been a transient livelihood in which experience has counted for little.

The turmoil of industrial unemployment, which marked most of the years since 1932, influenced enough independent voters to "demand a change" at Lansing. The farmers have been caught in the middle. They don't like it. They prefer a business-like continuity of policy in the state department, just as they like to have in running their own business.

At the recent annual meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at Michigan State college, East Lansing, farmer delegates arrived by the hundreds. Officers were armed with resolutions from their home bureaus—some 300 resolutions, in fact.

By the time the resolution committee had studied numerous proposals and delegates had been given an opportunity to express their opinions, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

"We request our insistence, voiced in resolutions adopted at several previous annual meetings, that the state department of agriculture be removed from politics in order to provide a continuity of administration of the laws with the enforcement of which this department is charged. We feel that this would afford the best service to producers and consumers of Michigan farm products."

"In order to prevent appointment of a new commissioner of agriculture each time the political party in control of the state government is changed, we favor the establishment of a bipartisan state agricultural commission which would choose a state commissioner of agriculture and exercise general supervision over the conduct of the department. The general setup of the state conservation commission might well be used as a model on which the new relationships, in regard to the department of agriculture, could be formulated by the legislature."

The history of the bipartisan commission idea goes back several years.

When Murray D. Van Wageningen (Continued on Page Six)

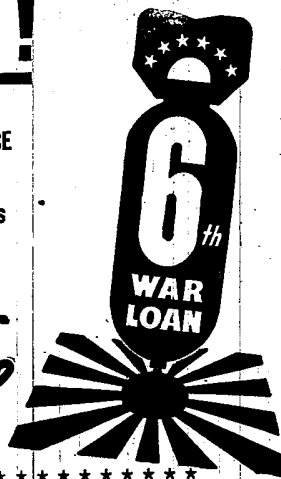
YOU HAD A BIG YEAR IN '44 ...

BUY BIGGER
WAR BONDS
NOW!

The best INSURANCE

a farmer can buy
against LEAN years

THEY still die—
will YOU buy?



The Farmington State Bank

Farmington, Michigan

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