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EDITORIALS

Let's Quit Fooling Around

We are starting off a New Year ... but where are we going? What do we want to accomplish?

Everybody has ideas, dreams and ambitions, but too few are getting anywhere. What is the trouble? We lack direction. We know what we want, but we can't get together. We are standing at the crossroads, bickering over the spelling on the sign post, and telling the other fellow he can't read, instead of figuring out the right road, and getting on our way.

We have just finished a big job — World War II. We were able to accomplish our mission because we all worked together, and we did it with a minimum of friction. There was never any question as to our final objective. This does not mean that we didn't discuss problems, that we didn't have differences of opinion, or that everything ran without a hitch. But it does mean that we forgot a lot of petty nonsense, and we did get down and work together, and we did have one sole objective—win the war.

Why should this year be any different than last year? We have a job before us now just as big as the one we faced in January, 1945. We have the energy, we have the brains and we have the material, but how far are we getting? Exactly no place.

Labor and management, sitting at the conference table, can't accomplish much except name calling. Concessions have been made, but it has got to be all or nothing. In the meantime we are getting exactly no place. Too many congressmen seem to feel that blasting their opponents is more important than necessary reconversion legislation. In the meantime we are getting exactly no place. Thousands of organizations throughout the country have sprung up to fight — to fight against each other, to push each other down. In the meantime we are getting exactly no place.

Let's quit fooling around! Let's get together again and then get to work. Don't just put it down as a New Year's Resolution to be forgotten in a week — put it in every shop, every office, every home, and remember it every day of 1946.

BITS OF THIS AND THAT

By ELMER T. POCKLINGTON

CHRISTMAS

About two thousand years ago
A teacher trod the earth
And now each year at Christmas time,
We celebrate His birth.

He told us how we might enjoy
A more abundant life,
But still the world is too much filled
With selfishness and strife.

The Golden Rule, — His way of life,
We're all prone to forget;
We think too much about ourselves,
Greed's not been conquered yet.

But once a year, on Christmas Day,
We really, truly live,
For Christmas brings us happiness,
This is the day we GIVE.

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Churches

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for third grade and above.
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for Nursery through Second Grade.
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
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. Sunday School at 11:45 a.m. Instructional and congenial classes for old and young.
Junior and Senior Youth Groups at 6:30 p.m. Young people are invited to enjoy the interesting and varied programs.

SALEM EVANGELICAL CHURCH
"The Church on the Park"
Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Pastor
Ruth Hick Hammond, Organist

Morning Worship service, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.
OUR INVITATION
I love to come to this still place,
Where deeper peace is always found,
To kneel as though on holy ground,
And feel my Master face to face.
I do not know how I could live,
If there were not this refuge sweet.
Where I could linger at His feet,
And He to me sweet healing give.
WELCOME

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
23608 Warner Avenue
Rev. Orville J. Windel, Pastor

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Sunday evening service, 7:30 p.m.
Bible Study, Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m.
Young People's meeting Thursday, 8 p.m.
Prayer meeting Friday at 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
33200 Seven Mile Rd.

Bible Study 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 8:00 p.m.
Thursday Evening Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Cambridge and Grand River
Farmington, Michigan
Elsie A. Johns, Pastor

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 5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship at 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer service on Wednesday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Five testimonies. A happy fellowship.

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. J. H. Sandcock, Pastor
Evangelizing 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 the world.

WEDNESDAY
8 p.m., Prayer and Praise Service.

FRIDAY
10:11 a.m., Radio Glee Club (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. T. A. building, back of Pearson school, Seven Mile, near Farmington Rd. Watch for information under "News of West Point Park" each week.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Clarence K. Graham, Minister

10:30 a.m. Unified Service. The morning worship and Sunday school combined.
7 p.m. Youth Fellowship Meeting.
Wednesday, 8 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study.
Friday, 8 p.m. B.Y.F. "Fun-Night."

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

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



NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Our wish for 1946:

... that our hopes for you of today will be realized tomorrow and on all the succeeding tomorrows of the year that lies ahead.

Health... Happiness
Prosperity

To you... and you... and you.

SUGGESTED ACTION TO SOLVE HOUSING PROBLEM

That there is a housing problem is without question. Veteran counselors are all too familiar with the returning veteran who needs housing and is unable to find any. Many reasons have been advanced for the housing shortage. The following is a summary of the principal reasons:

- Natural increase in population.
- The lack of building during the war years.
- The migration of populations, particularly to our large urban centers.
- The general increase in prosperity, thus resulting in the separation of family groups, who, in hard times, tend to double up in houses.

There are only three possible solutions to the housing problem. They are:

- Public building.
- Private building.
- Intensive use of existing facilities.

Both public building and private building are severely handicapped because of lack of building materials and building artisans. The conditions will not be alleviated for some time. Building materials in ample quantities will not be available until the supplying industries recover to a point where their output is sufficient to meet the pent up demand. The shortage of building artisans will not be met until more men are discharged from the armed forces, and a readjustment of other industries releases workers so that they are interested in accepting building jobs. There are other factors of course, which affect both the supply of materials and workers, but at best it can be said that public building or private building is something which provides only long-range solution to the housing problem.

A long-range solution is an adequate answer for the housing of our population in the next five or ten years, however, the problem is one that is immediate, and a long-range solution is not adequate because veterans need housing and they need it now. It is a poor answer to a veteran who does not have living quarters for his family in the worst weather of a Michigan winter to tell him that he will have a new house five years from now.

This brings us to the third possibility, namely, INTENSIVE USE. Intensive use means the greater and more complete use of the existing housing in a community. It

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FARMINGTON
A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Massachusetts

Lesson Subject

"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE"

SUNDAY SERVICES

AT 11:00 A. M.

And Sunday School for Pupils up to the age of 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p.m.

33336 Grand River Avenue

Reading Room Hours:

Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday Evening, 9 to 9:30

Friday Evening, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, 2 to 5 p.m.

Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evenings

ALL ARE WELCOME

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TEN YEARS AGO (January 9, 1935)

Farmington May Form Townsend Club Soon

Farmington will in all probability have a Townsend Club in the near future. Plans are under way to form a permanent club at a meeting which will be held either in the latter part of January or in the early part of February.

Farmington Boy To Enter Military School

Freddie Warner, son of Mrs. Dorothy Edwards of Farmington, will enter Valley Forge Military School next week. The school, located in a historic section of the country, is at Wayne, Pennsylvania. All the instructors are West Point graduates. It is reported.

Plan Drive Against Fowl Stealing

Police in the Farmington area, with the cooperation of farmers in this district, plan an extensive drive against the chicken thieves who have been robbing poultry yards. It has been reported that 105 chickens have been stolen in a seven day period from December 23 to December 30.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 26, 1940)

Farmers' Week To Be Held From February 3 to 7

Dates for the nation's greatest winter gathering of farmers — the 26th annual Farmers' Week program at Michigan State College — are February 3 to 7, inclusive. It is announced by E. L. Anthony, college dean of agriculture and general chairman of the program.

Scouts Hold First Party At New Hall

The Girl Scouts held a party at the new hall Thursday, December 12. This was the first party to be held in the new hall, and Brownies and Girl Scouts of Farmington, aged seven to 16 years, together with Council members and leaders gathered for an afternoon of fun. The program consisted of singing and dancing and movies were shown.

Treasurer Prepares Tax Statements

Now that residents of Farmington are just beginning to recover from the siege of Christmas buying, word comes from the City Treasurer's office that winter tax statements will soon be on their way. A little consolation can be gained however from the fact that the tax rate in Farmington will be lower than in 1939. The school debt incurred since 1932 still remains the largest single item on the rolls.

means persuading those individuals who have excess space to rent those extra rooms to the veteran and his family. In every community there are many cases of widows living alone in eight and ten room houses, and of single families occupying large houses with extra rooms for which they have no immediate use. Every community has a few homes the owners of which could be persuaded to convert a part of their homes into apartments.

Intensive use is a program that can only be carried to a successful conclusion by the community itself. It is primarily a job of salesmanship. It means persuading individuals who have no financial need for extra rent to bring strangers into their homes and disrupt their normal routines and mode of living. In selling this program, it would not be out of line to stress the patriotic aspects; to call to the attention of the citizens of the community that they owe a patriotic duty to provide housing in some form for these returning veterans who have assured to them by their sacrifices on the battle fields of this war, continuation of their way of life.

The program is of such importance and so much a community problem that it can only be solved by community enterprise.

Sanitation Pays
To keep disease away from the dairy herd, never purchase feed in unsterilized second-hand bags and do not permit feed, hay and bedding to be hauled in trucks that may be contaminated. Another precaution is to keep feed mangers, drinking cups, calf pails and other utensils scrupulously clean and sanitary.

REFRESHER COURSE WILL AID VETERANS

Another four-week refresher course to help veterans brush up on their knowledge of basic course and to regain proper study habits will be offered by the University of Michigan.

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TO MAKE THE MOST OF

1946

THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK

Farmington, Michigan

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

The waste of war is behind us. The world is going back to work.

You will need the cooperation which this bank can give you in carrying forward your personal and business plans for the future.

We're ready, and we extend our best wishes for your success in the New Year.