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EDITORIALS

To You Who Doubt . . .

just wait and see . . . for out of song he will come, a song of hope, faith and belief. He will sweep down over your house and mine and cast his magic spell.

Once a year he comes in his happy journey of giving. Through the years — longer than any of us can remember — he has faithfully come. None of us has seen him but all of us know he has visited our house. He comes in a flash to leave a remembrance that we cherish and rebuild at every Christmas time.

Whether it's little Johnnie or Mary Ann or Uncle Joe, or mother and dad — he doesn't forget. He leaves his gift and sweeps on to spread good will over all the world. Once a year he renews the spirit of faith and kindness to all.

In spite of those who doubt his presence — in answer to them — he charges through the night on Christmas Eve and stops at your house and mine. We know he is there, although our eyes are closed — we feel him. And on Christmas morn the house is filled with peace and happiness which he has left behind.

Of course there's a Santa Claus — just wait and see!

A Smile At Christmas . . .

The finest gift of all! You made that smile. Through your generosity a lot of people in Farmington are going to have a real Christmas — a Christmas they wouldn't have had if you had not helped.

Your loyal support of the 18th annual Farmington Goodfellow's paper sale has brought smiles to the faces of many of our less fortunate neighbors.

It is this spirit that makes our country great and that makes life worth living. The spirit of voluntary giving — of sharing what we have with others. It is the true test of free people. Individuals who want to help their fellow men for the sake of helping.

To you goes the reward for bringing a smile at Christmas time — a smile that might not have been, had you not opened your heart.

A Christmas Plea . . .

Take it easy when you drive. What a wonderful Christmas it would be if our highway were left clean. No torn and twisted wreckage of metal and human bodies.

How much it would mean to all of us to read headlines of happiness instead of pain and sorrow. It is almost too much to ask and yet it is worth pleading for. It can be done if every driver and every pedestrian takes it easy.

Remember to keep your speed down. More people than ever will be on the road, going to join others in a family Christmas. Take it easy — be sure of getting there. Observe the rules of the highway. Watch the yellow stripe and don't be careless. It was put there to help you and help the other fellow. See that your car is in good safe condition before you start. You can't afford to take a chance. Look before you cross the street — look again! Be sure. Don't drink and drive — if you value your life and the lives of others, you won't.

Enjoy Christmas with your family — don't spend it in a hospital bed — that is if you are lucky. Let's make it a Merry Christmas for everyone by taking it easy when you drive and when you walk.



Michigan's 1946 emergency act, promoted by lack of state authority in the 1943 Detroit race riot, was given a partial and successful tryout in the recent miners' strike which ended suddenly on December 7, anniversary of Japanese infamy at Pearl Harbor.

Furthermore, drastic restrictions were impending, ready to be proclaimed, which would have virtually confiscated remaining fuel supplies for a long while.

It was an interesting test of federal and state co-operation in a period of mounting crisis. Michigan emerged from it with new prestige, for the state was one of the few in the nation which found itself with an organized plan to deal with the conditions growing out of the lack of coal.

This plan had its origin during World War II. We refer to the wartime Office of Civilian Defense with its network of volunteer nurses, fire and air raid wardens, airplane watchers, and others. The office has been kept recently on a "fire department" basis by the governor's office.

Among the wartime duties of Captain Donald S. Leonard, director of civilian defense, was that of a Fuel Administrator.

A recent trip to Washington revealed to Captain Leonard that President Truman was determined not to appease or compromise with John Lewis, as his predecessor had done. Lewis appeared to have a caesar complex. Yet the Missouri dander was not. Truman was stubborn. He declined to accept the advice of Attorney General Tom Clark and Reconversion Director John R. Steelman, both of whom suggested appeasement.

It looked like an all-out showdown between the United States and a state of emergency under powers invested in him by the special 1946 statute. Secretary of State Herman H. Dignam affixed the great seal of Michigan, making official the following authority: Control of transportation, traffic curfew, alcoholic beverages, firearms and other steps needed for protection of life and property. All orders were to be published by press and radio.

As a demonstration of the broad powers held by the governor in such an emergency, violations of all orders became punishable in any state court as a misdemeanor. The first regulation was issued by the governor Saturday, December 7, just prior to Lewis' capitulation in Washington. Citizens were forbidden from using electricity for illumination of show windows, outdoor billboards, air-conditioning and many other uses, all specified in detail. Hereafter, the almost total about the weight of voluntary compliance and violations were widespread. The governor's order gave it the force of state law.

Also on Saturday the governor issued regulations establishing a system of certificates of necessity whereby coal was to be sold by dealers only to persons who could get an official certificate proving need.

Another restriction, which evoked protest from profit-hungry Table-Toppers in some cities, forbade any business licensed to sell alcoholic beverages from staying open after 10 p.m. This applied to every one. Detroit's rowdy Bowers night club with a \$1,000-per-night floor show to the ritzy Detroit Techt Club. This regulation was to be followed Monday with a blackout on all places of amusement — such as theatres and bowling alleys.

Also in the Detroit picture was the threat of a union general strike Tuesday, December 10. Labor leaders thought this would be a nice gesture of friendliness to John L. Lewis.

The try-out of Michigan's emergency act was significant, as we see it because it served to emphasize anew the responsibility held by the governor under state statutes.

Not only is the governor the head of the Michigan State Police with authority to enforce laws anywhere, with or without consent of the legislature, but he can exercise emergency powers almost akin to martial law itself.

FOREVER BLOWING BUBBLES!



If Michigan is to have another long, costly strike of the automobile workers, paralyzing the automobile industry of the nation, Governor-elect Kim Sigler may have a labor crisis to solve. The most serious of which is the looming deficit of many millions.

The 1946 emergency act gave new and added responsibility to the position of Michigan's chief executive.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL TO PRESENT CHRISTMAS STORY

The children of St. Paul's Sunday School presented a program entitled "Joyful Tidings", on Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. The service was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Middlebelt and Eight Mile Roads.

The program for the service was as follows: Processional Hymn, "Come Little Children" by the congregation and children.

Versicles, Gloria Patri, Scripture, Collect.

Address, "Unto Us a Child is Born", by the pastor, Rev. E. L. Stumpff.

Song, "O Holy Night", by the girls' chorus.

Christmas greeting, by boys of the Intermediate Class, Mr. George Burkowski, teacher.

Song, "Oh, How Joyfully", by the children.

Recitations, by boys of the Junior Department, Mr. Ralph Brown, teacher.

Song, "Hark the Glad Sound!", by the congregation.

Recitations, by girls of the Junior Department, Alfred Schacht, teacher.

Song, "God's Love Eternal", by the children.

Recitations by children of the Junior Department, Miss Elaine Trapp, teacher.

Song, "Behold, a Branch is Growing", by the children.

The Christmas Gospel (first portion), by the Junior Department.

Hymn, "Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord", by the congregation.

Carol, "Silent Night" by the children and congregation.

Song, "O Little Town of Bethlehem", by the congregation and children.

Recitation, "We're Only Little People", by children of the Primary Department, Miss Geraldine Pribe, teacher.

Carol, "Away in a Manger", by the Primary Department.

Response, "Where Are You Going, Children Dear?" by the Primary Department and Miss Rosalind Dear, Primary Superintendent.

Recitation, "Bethlehem" by children of the Primary Department, Miss Adeline Gagnon, teacher.

Recitations by girls of the Intermediate Department.

Hymn, "Angels from the Realms of Glory", by the children.

Recitations by the children of the Senior Department, Mr. Andrew Grimm, teacher.

Hymn, "Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men", by the children and the congregation.

Churches

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.
 Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

OUR INVITATION
 (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. 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

WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH
 Rev. J. H. Sanderoock, Pastor
 Evangelist B. Barnum

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
 10:41 a.m., Radio Glee Club (high school girls and boys). 1:30-3:00 p.m., Missionary meeting. Services are held in the Church building, 3221 W. Seven Mile Road.

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

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY
 William Grace School
 Rev. Orrville J. Windell, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Service 7:00 p.m.

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 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Evening Testimonial at 8 p.m.

First Methodist Church Christian Science Literature Available at 21040 ONTARIO

Current Christian Science Literature on sale Wednesday evenings

ALL ARE WELCOME

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.
 E. L. Stumpff, Pastor

Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. for all ages.

Dining worship at 10:45 a.m. Lutheran Hour broadcast over OKLW at 12:30 p.m.

Christmas pageant by children of our Christian Day school Tuesday, Christmas Eve, at 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Worship, Wednesday, at 10 a.m.

cordial invitation is herewith extended to all.

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

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
 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 Wednesday evenings at 7:45. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
 M. J. Remett, Pastor

Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock. Special music and speakers.

Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.

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.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 Rev. Thomas P. Beahan, 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 9:30 a.m.

Daily Masses at 6:15 and 8:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
 "The Friendly Church"

Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.

Junior, Senior, Adult Unions at 6:30 p.m.

Evening Prayer Circle in the parsonage at 7:00 p.m.

Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.
 Monday, Boy Scout Troop 35 at 1:00 p.m.

Friday, Choir Rehearsal at 8:00 p.m.

TUNE IN ON THE WORLD'S MOST RAPIDLY EXPANDING RELIGIOUS BROADCAST

VOICE OF PROPHECY
 Address on Starting Bible Prophecy
 Receiving a Message of Hope
 EVERY SUNDAY

MUTUAL SYSTEM AND 250 OTHER STATIONS IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (December 25, 1921)

Masonic Sponsored Order for Youth Through the efforts of James N. VandYne, high priest of Union Chapter, R.A.M., of Northville, a chapter of Demolay, an organization for boys between the ages of 16 and 21, and which is sponsored by Knights Templar, or Royal Arch Masons, will be formed in Northville. A preliminary meeting was held recently for the purpose of deciding upon the name of the chapter and a general consideration of the plan of organization.

Methodist Home Ready by 1922 By reason of the Methodist Children's Home of Michigan selecting Farmington as the permanent location for its home during the past few weeks the name Farmington will have an unusual amount of free advertising this Christmas time. The work of the Home is maintained by the Christmas offering of the Methodist churches throughout the state. About the middle of January it is expected the new unit will be ready for its family to move in.

TEN YEARS AGO (December 31, 1936) Back Broken in Fall from Roof Will F. Ziegelmeyer, 62, of Clarenceville, is slowly recovering in the Osteopathic Hospital in Detroit from a broken back which he suffered when he fell from the roof of a house in Redford. He was taken to his home where he was given first aid treatment for a fractured spine by Dr. Joseph F. Norton, and later removed to the hospital.

Yule Shopping Has Increased Evidence that Farmington is sharing in the revival of business prosperity throughout the nation was shown during the past few weeks as Christmas shopping in Farmington stores reached peaks unequalled since the years of severe depression. Comments from prominent business men substantiate the belief that the community is enjoying a greater measure of better times than it has during recent years.

FIVE YEARS AGO (December 25, 1941) Dorothy Goers is D. A. R. Winner Dorothy Goers will be Farmington High School's representative in the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Pilgrimage Contest, sponsored locally by the Three Flag Chapter. Elected by members of the Senior Class, Dorothy won by a substantial lead over her nearest rivals. Her school and community activities indicate her ability to accept responsibility cheerfully and to lead in worthwhile projects. Dorothy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goers of Brookside avenue.

Volunteer Registration Begins Residents of Farmington who want to do their part in Michigan's long planned civilian defense program, are urged to cooperate in the statewide enlistment of men, women and youth. Locally, registrations will be taken at the City Hall on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. The help of several clerks has been secured, and they will be glad to assist in properly filling out the volunteer enrollment cards.

Stain Removal Very warm water has been known to remove fresh fruit stains, not being so apt to remove color from colored fabrics as is boiling water. On non-washable fabric, an ink remover or bleach may be used on obstinate stains in white fabrics, but remember anything that is strong enough to remove stain will of course remove color from colored fabrics. Ten per cent solution of acetic acid has been used in factories with colored fabrics. All has not been discovered about spot and stain removal. Try the proven ways, and if they fail, then be willing to experiment. You may be able to find other and better ways.

Mahogany Halls Mahogany, one of the many woods grown in abundance in Middle America, shaped the hulls of hundreds of the navy's best submarine-chaser craft.

Easy to Grow Endive is easy to grow, and is resistant to light frosts.

The wise driver remembers that 2 out of 3 fatalities now occur in rural areas. Always assume that some "dumb fool" may be trying to pass on YOUR side of the road just beyond this hillcrest or just around that curve. Or some "hour" may be stopped or parked just ahead of sight. Or a wreck may be there! Always try to anticipate what MAY be ahead or MAY happen ahead — and quite a distance ahead, too!

AAA Safety News Feature

TAKE IT EASY
 THIS SAFETY LESSON MAY SAVE YOUR LIFE

HOLY NIGHT SILENT NIGHT

1946 Spirit of Christmas

Transit Travel The street car, trolley coaches and bus buses of America's urban transit systems traveled more than 3,294,500,000 miles in 1945.

CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

It's in the music of the cherished carols hovering like a benediction over the bustling crowds.

Time for us to send you our best wishes for the happiest Christmas you have ever known.

THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION