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"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
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
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. Sanderson, Pastor
Evangeline R. Faurem

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
3 p.m. Prayer and Praise Service.

FRIDAY
10-11 a.m. Bible School and 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.
11:15 a.m. Sunday School for Nursery through Second Grade
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

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

FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY

William Grace School
Rev. Orville J. Aivindell, Pastor

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

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

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
Divine Worship at 10:45 a.m.
Lutheran Hour over KCLW at 12:30 p.m.

Mid-week Lenten services on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

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 7:15. Good song service. Fine testimonies. A happy fellowship.

NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH
M. J. Remelin, Pastor

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

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

WEST POINT PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. Scott Green, 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.

FIRST BAPTIST
"The Friendly Church"

Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. Observance of the Communion. The Pastor will speak on "Prayer in Relation to Temptation and Deliverance."

Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Sunday, Senior and Adult Union at 9:10 a.m.

Evening Services at 7:30 p.m. The Pastor will bring another biographical sermon on the subject, "The Man Who Saw Christ Eight Hundred Years Before Christ Came."

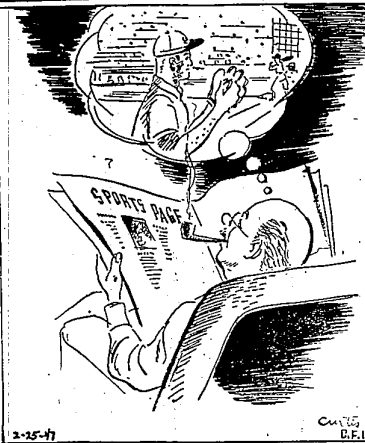
Monday, Browne Troop 13 at 3:15 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7:00 p.m. World Wide Guilds at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Browne Troop 4 at 3:15 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 7 at 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Midweek Service in charge of the Boy Scout Committee. Mr. Stanley Smith teaching 1 Timothy 4.

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

FIRST SIGN OF SPRING



Washington Digest

British Laborites Propose Drastic Farm Regulation

By BAUKHAKE
News Analyst and Commentator

WASHINGTON. — One by one Britain is nationalizing her basic industries.

What about farming?

Agriculture was Britain's largest industry right up to 1939 but before the war Britain produced less than a third of the food and fiber that the islands consumed. By 1943 they were producing 70 per cent of the war time ration for their own people, plus the Allied armies and refugees within their borders.

Government control was strict but it worked. And the British with their socialistic government do not intend to let it slip back if regulation can stop it. To that end a bill is now before parliament which would bring the American farmer down to Washington with a pitchfork in each hand.

The "two pillars" of the new government policy are "stability and efficiency." The agriculture bill would create stability by guaranteeing prices. It provides:

(1) That the prices and other market factors of wheat, barley, oats, rice, potatoes and sugar beets be fixed at the nearest home prices and be harvested.

(2) Prices and other factors affecting fat stock, milk and eggs, to be announced for a period of one year and also minimum prices and other conditions, including quantities, for a further period of two years. Consequently the producer of fat stock, milk and eggs will know actual prices and other conditions in advance, and minimum prices and conditions (which include any quantitative limitations) for two years ahead.

There is planning and regulation for you!

"Stability, however," says Britain's minister of agriculture, "is not enough." And then he goes after efficiency with foot, horse and gun.

Two requisites for efficiency are promotion of research into farming problems and an organization which will provide the individual farmer with technical advice. Very good.

The United States government does a pretty good job on that score. The point is: What does the British government ask in return for what it intends to offer?

"Both the farmer and the landowner have parts to play," it says and points out that "the rules of good husbandry require the farmer to maintain his holding at a reasonable standard of efficient production, bearing in mind cleanliness of the land, maintenance of fertility and freedom from disease and pests. The rules of good estate management require the landowner to maintain his estate with adequate buildings, drainage, ditches and hedges, so that the occupier can be an efficient producer."

And that is not merely suggested in the bill, it is required. The farmer or the landowner will live up to these conditions or he will lose his land. The first step against an offender is to place them under formal supervision — after that they have a chance to state their case.

The next step will be to issue specific instructions as to what to be done — again giving the offender the opportunity to state his case. If the offender is a landowner and the expense of carrying out the orders exceeds the annual rent of the land, he can appeal to the agricultural land tribunal.

The third step would be dispossession in 12 months or sooner. A landowner would have to submit a plan for the land. If the plan might be forced to rent to an approved tenant; a tenant's tenancy would be terminated.

The law doesn't end there. It deals with the past and the future as well as the present. Experiments will be made to adjust farm boundaries made many hundreds of years ago and the intent is to prevent the splitting up of farms into uneconomic divisions.

Stability, efficiency. Liberty? MYSTERY OF THE WHOOPIING CRANE

As a whooping crane detective I am not worth a whoop. This perhaps is natural since I have no credentials as a naturalist. But in the course of leading the Fish and Wildlife service on a wild crane chase I encountered some interesting facts.

This is the story:

While I was in Florida I heard some convincing descriptions of whooping cranes, said to be found on a nearby plantation. I knew the whooping crane rapidly was becoming extinct and I had never heard of any of them having been seen in Florida.

Florida, when I returned to Washington, I immediately communicated my "discovery" to Mr. Lincoln, ornithologist of the Department of the Interior. He was very polite and patient and even agreed to ask Mr. Kelsey, one of the department's representatives, to interview my wife, who is still in Florida, as to the reports which she and first-hand.

It wasn't long before I heard (Continued on Page Eight)



By GENE ALLEMAN

Will the legislature take steps to revise Michigan's "horse and buggy" constitution?

Balked by a minority vote in the State Senate which buried his "repeal the amendment" program, Governor Kim Sigler favors legislative adoption of a bill to create a state commission for revision of the 1908-designed state constitution.

It is the governor's conviction that the root of Michigan's tax troubles lies in its outmoded constitution; that in the transition from an agricultural to an industrial economy local governments have sought to finance new services with a crazy-quilt patchwork of makeshift taxes, most of which are collected by the state government and spent by local units of government and school districts.

Action by a minority of the State Senate — 40 per cent, in fact, of the final vote — threatened approval of the compromise financial plan of Governor Sigler whereby the controversial sales tax amendment was to be resubmitted to the voters at the April spring election.

As a safeguard to interests of a minority, the state constitution requires a two-thirds vote by the House and Senate before a constitutional amendment may be placed on an official ballot and submitted to the electorate. The "repeal the amendment" proposal was favored by a simple majority in both the House and Senate; the House vote was a whopping two-thirds majority, but the Senate was 60 per cent — just seven short of the required two-thirds.

The constitutional commission bill, however, does not have to mount such a hurdle. A simple majority — 51 per cent — is required to approve a bill.

What are the merits of the governor's proposal?

"Michigan cannot long continue to grow and prosper under the handicap of an antiquated tax financial structure," Governor Sigler declared in his budget message. "I am convinced that we should have, at the earliest possible date, a complete revision of our total tax structure."

"It should not be done in a makeshift manner. It should be approached with the idea of getting at the cause for the present financial plight of the cities of Michigan. It should be done with full understanding of the problems of the schools. It must be done with an appreciation of the responsibilities of state government in the services it renders to the people."

Governor Sigler pointed out these facts:

"Our predecessors attempted to meet these problems (needs for new services such as improved highways, better schools, etc.) as best they could with revenues derived from taxes upon the real and personal property of the state. . . . In the attempt to meet the growing demands, real estate taxes increased to a point where the people rebelled and eventually resorted to a constitutional amendment in the form of a 15-mill limitation."

Next, the Legislature turned to the sales tax.

"Since the sales tax was adopted," Sigler pointed out, "state ex-

Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (February 24, 1922)

Dedication of Manse, Sunday
The Manse — the elegant home built by the Universalist Society — will be dedicated on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. The services will be held in the church and the public is cordially invited to be present. There will be a formal report of the building committee. Two special addresses will be delivered — Mr. E. B. Boynton will speak on "The Place of the Manse in the Life of the Minister and the Parish." The dedicatory address will be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Charles F. Patterson of Detroit.

Installs Wireless Outfit
Howard Elsenlord has installed on top of the new bank building apparatus for receiving music sent by wireless and an amplifier for the same. It will be possible to hear music played hundreds of miles away. This is only one of the recent steps in the advancement of the electrical world.

TEN YEARS AGO (March 4, 1937)
Commissioner Staman to End Ten Years' Service
Ten years of service as a City Commissioner of Farmington will be concluded by Fred Staman on April 5, when a resignation he filed Monday evening will become effective. The vacancy will be filled at the city election. Two years of his term of office are unexpired.

Rites for William Richardson To Be Held
Services will be held Friday afternoon for William Richardson, 64 years old, who died suddenly of the office of Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner. Complaining that he did not feel well, "Doc," as he was known by his many friends, went to the physician's office. The attack proved to be fatal and he died a short time later. For many years "Doc" was engineer at the Farmington Public Schools.

FIVE YEARS AGO (February 26, 1942)
Fred Cook Reaches Fifty Year Mark in Business
What a pageant of events has taken place before the eyes of one who has the quality to see and the ability to do. Fred L. Cook will have been in business in the same location for 50 years on March 1. In 1892, Cook went to work in the general store of Fred Warren, who was the owner of the present Cook store now stands on Grand River Avenue.

First Visit of Mobile Unit Proves Successful
Farmington and the vicinity contributed one hundred pints of blood to the Red Cross Bank last Friday at the Farmington High School. Only one person, by whole-hearted cooperation, a project such as this is so successful, and this locality has reason to be proud of its first Blood Bank effort.

financed," to quote from a February statement of Dr. A. J. Phillips, executive secretary.

The tax plight of Michigan cities is another case at hand. Migration of residents to outlying suburbs has aggravated the cities' problems.

Since you can't have your cake and eat it too, it seems reasonable to conclude that the ultimate result of all the jockeying by units of Michigan government will be more tax revenue in the aggregate from old and new sources. If public schools are to be improved, if cities are to get needed funds, if the state is to maintain and expand its public services, someone must foot the bill.

Dispute will continue. An "equitable" division of taxes is a matter of opinion.

The human element will always present a good ground for controversy. A new constitution will not still the argument over who should "pay the piper" and who should receive the largest share of revenue.

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EDITORIALS

The Wagon Will Move . . .

when everyone pulls together. This is more than just a figure of speech — it is the truth. Not only that — we don't have to go out of our yard to see it. The wagon is moving in Clarenceville and it is moving in all the important interest of our boys and girls and their future.

Clarenceville's public schools last week received an outstanding commendation from the University of Michigan for the excellent job they are doing in training and educating our children. Most important of all, the community was complimented for its spirit of interest and cooperation. The result is an outstanding school system that is growing and building.

The parents, students, Board of Education, School Administrator and teachers are to be congratulated on this high honor. They have established a standard which is a credit to themselves and to their community. But above all they are doing a job in building discipline, knowledge and leadership in the men and women of tomorrow.

They have met their problems and worked them out together. They have progressed in a day when progress is blocked by almost unsurmountable obstacles.

The Enterprise congratulates Clarenceville and the Clarenceville Public Schools. You have given us a challenge, to strive more earnestly in the interest of community betterment by all working together. You have shown us it can be done!

We Never Miss It . . .

until it's gone! How many times have you heard this expression? How many times have you stumbled around with a bandaged foot, realizing for the first time how important it really is?

This may seem a long way from the meaning of the words "human rights," but if you think it over it isn't so far. We take too much for granted. Most of us have become so used to having both of our arms and legs and our human rights, that we hardly realize they are there.

But to those who have lost these faculties, the story is different. The handicap calls for a complete change in the way of life. We feel sorry for these people, whether they have lost an arm or their right to govern themselves. Yet we go right on ignoring our responsibilities.

Farmington is no exception to the general rule. In the Farmington Township Primary Election last week only 820 qualified electors out of a total of about 2,000, took the time to vote. This was despite the fact that nearly every Township office was contested. This was despite the fact that considerable publicity was given the primary for nearly a month prior to the date of the election. This was despite the fact that this election, like every other, costs you, the taxpayer, money.

On Monday, April 7, the general election will be held. Voters in both the City and Township will have the privilege of voting. Township voters will elect their governmental officials. City voters will elect their officers, and both will elect various State officials.