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## EDITORIALS

### A Blueprint . . .

is not enough. It is a necessary part of any plan, but standing alone, it is only another piece of paper.

It takes a will and a desire to build. It takes a blueprint plus — plus a recognition of responsibility, plus a genuine desire to build, plus initiative to put it across and above all, plus a conscientious effort to make Farmington a better place to live in.

Where is a better place to start than with our boys and girls? Their future is our responsibility. Their initiative, their efforts will be Farmington's tomorrow. Are we going to give them a model to learn by? Or are we going to say we're just too busy? Which is the right way? The answer is obvious — we are dedicated to offer opportunity and leadership to our boys and girls. It must be inspired by active interest on the part of the community.

How can we start? We have only to look around us for a clue. Countless communities have proven their interest in boys and girls by adopting a full fledged summer recreation program. A program jointly operated by the School District, the City and the Township, for the benefit of all the children in the community. The School Board to hire one or two teachers on a full 12 months schedule and to furnish the recreation area. The City and Township to assist financially, and the Community to supplement the program and to actively get behind it.

Will it work? It is working! It takes more than just a blueprint. It takes cooperation on the part of the schools, the City Commission and the Township Board. It takes desire and initiative on the part of all community organizations and citizens. But it will work! It is working!

How much will it cost? Let's put it another way. How much does delinquency cost? How much does that demolished automobile cost — or that smashed street lamp, or those school windows?

Here is a blueprint, but it's only a piece of paper, unless YOU can help make it work. Is it worth it?

### Farmer Wallace . . .

is sowing seeds again, and as usual he is doing a lot of chattering as he goes up and down the field.

One thing is a little different this time however. Farmer Wallace's chattering, a little louder than usual, has been echoing back. The echo seems to be pleasing to his ear, if to few others. He apparently can't quite figure it out, why all the shouting. He is just sowing seeds, the same as in past years. It's the same seed — the same left-sided delivery, the same hand wind.

Farmer Wallace, in his anxiety to bring in a bigger yield, has forgotten or at least can't be convinced that he has wandered outside his back "forty". He doesn't see why sowing his seeds on foreign soil isn't just as profitable as on the old homestead. He can't see why he has to cease his regular chatter against his government out there — he does it all the time at home.

Maybe Farmer Wallace can't understand, maybe he doesn't want to understand. One thing is certain however, the ground is a lot more fertile beyond the home fence line. The little seeds seem to be taking hold. Besides the people back on the other side of the line are giving him a lot of attention, too.

However, as he climbs over that fence, and comes back up the field, he must wonder how big a yield he might have had, had he sown his home fields with seeds of cooperation and common sense. If he had talked as hard to encourage democracy and individual enterprise as he had to spread doubt and distrust.

If you changed your seed, Farmer Wallace — If you worked for, not against — You wouldn't have to go into foreign fields. Your silo would be full!

## 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**  
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  
If 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

**WEST POINT BIBLE CHURCH**  
Rev. J. H. Sanderson, Pastor  
Evangeline E. Farnum  
SUNDAY  
10:00 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 Gloe Club (high school boys and girls).  
1:30-3:00 p.m. Missionary meeting.  
Services are held in the Church building, 32211 W. Seven Mile Road.

**FIRST METHODIST**  
Rev. A. Stanley Stone, Minister  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School.  
11:15 a.m. Morning Worship.  
11:15 a.m. Junior Church and Nursery.  
Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., Sunday.  
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at the church.

**FARMINGTON GOSPEL ASSEMBLY**  
William Gracie School  
Rev. Orville J. Windell, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service, 7 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 presiding.  
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 service. Free testimonies. A happy fellowship.

**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.  
Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

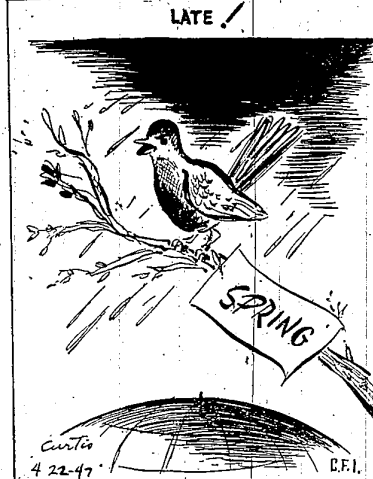
**FIRST BAPTIST**  
"The Friendly Church"  
Rev. Fred B. Fisher, Pastor  
Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.  
Annual Enrollment Day. The Pastor will speak on "The First Fruits of the Land."

**CLASSICAL SCHOOL** at 11:15 a.m.  
Classes for every age.  
Junior, Senior, Adult Unions at 6:30 p.m.  
Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.  
Special music. Informal message by the Pastor.  
Monday, Browne Troop 13 at 8:15 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 35 at 7. Lois Greenman Mission Circle at 8.  
Tuesday, Browne Troop 4 at 8:15 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 7 at 4 p.m.  
Wednesday, Annual Meeting and Election of Officers of the Church at 8:00 p.m.  
Friday, Choir Rehearsal at 8:00 p.m.

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Middlebelt at Eight Mile Rd.  
E. L. Stuenkel, Pastor  
We shall observe Centennial Sunday, the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Lutheran Church in the Missouri Synod.

Sunday School and a Centennial service at 9:30 a.m.  
Local Centennial service for all the congregation and friends at 10:45 a.m.  
The Centennial Lutheran Hour broadcast, Mutual network and CKLW, at 12:30 p.m.  
Oakland County Centennial Service at Pontiac High School gymnasium, W. Huron at Franklin Blvd., at 3 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
23701 Cass Avenue  
Farmington  
11:00 a.m. Morning Services and 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Services.  
Reading Room Hours, Tuesday and Wednesday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
ALL ARE WELCOME



## Washington Digest

### Cooperative Action Builds Homes For Yakima Vets

By BAUKHA  
News Analyst and Commentator

(Editor's Note: This is the first of four articles describing how veterans in different parts of the country managed to put roofs over their heads. The first deals with Yakima, Wash.)

WASHINGTON — There is one quality that is as thoroughly ingrained in the American mind as dog, baseball or apple pie. That is ingenuity. It often is alluded to as "Yankee ingenuity," but it blossoms from the Florida Keys to the San Diego's farthest floating pulchritude to the northernmost quirk of St. John's river.

Ingenuity is something that achieves the impossible. There has come to my attention a number of stories on how certain communities have solved, with their American ingenuity, that seemingly unsolvable housing problem. I think some of the stories are worth repeating to you, and I'm beginning with Yakima, Wash., a town of 50,000 people which I haven't visited for 15 years, but which I can visualize clearly, resting contentedly in the heart of Yakima valley.

That vicinity furnishes many things from apples to polo ponies, but like many other communities in America, it didn't until this spring—furnish enough homes for veterans. Formal dedication of a white, green-roofed, five-room house was the end of the first. I want to tell a story with many a sequel.

Last fall there were 160 houses standing unfinished in Yakima for lack of plaster. Many of the houses were unlivable, but with winter weather coming on and the housing shortage, getting worse every day, some people tried to live in them.

**COMMUNITY.**  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Fred Andrews, Pastor  
Services held in Pierson School Seven Mile, East of Farmington Rd.

Church Services and Sunday School Classes held simultaneously from 10:00 to 11:00 o'clock. Nursery School for children under three years.  
Theme for April 27: "Why the Church?"  
Come and bring a friend with you.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**  
Rev. Thomas P. Behan, Pastor  
Sunday Masses: 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:15, 11:15 and 12:30.  
Holy Day Masses: 8:30, 7:00, 8:30 and 9:00.  
Daily Masses: 6:30 and 8:00.

**NOVI BAPTIST CHURCH**  
M. J. Rabin, Pastor  
Sunday Church Services at the usual hour. Morning, 10:30; Evening, 7:00 (Youth Service) and 8:00 o'clock. Special music and special services.  
Wednesday, Prayer Meeting at the church, 8:00 p.m.



By GENE ALLEMAN

Like Alice in Wonderland, Mayor George Welsh of Grand Rapids visited Michigan's capitol at Lansing last week. He conferred with Governor Kim Sigler. He then uttered this bit of political wisdom and financial nonsense:

"I don't think you have a financial problem." The next day the Governor appeared before the state legislature. He delivered a second budget message. He quoted the state budget director (who ought to know what he is talking about) that the State of Michigan will have only 145 million dollars from available revenues with which to pay 223 million dollars in expenditures.

"It is a simple matter of arithmetic," said Governor Sigler. "I don't think you have a financial problem," said Mayor Welsh. All of which is certainly confusing to Joe Dicks, the man on the street.

Mayor Welsh is no dumb bunny. He was elected president of the National Conference of Mayors. He is regarded as a "big shot," a public official of national standing. How the Grand Rapids mayor added to his bit of financial wisdom, we don't know.

Mayor Edward J. Jeffries of Detroit likewise scoffed at the governor's prediction that Michigan, the great arsenal of democracy, is headed for a multi-million dollar deficit of 83 million dollars, and you have a shortage of 66 million. Only according to a Mayor Welsh, you wouldn't have a deficit at all. "I don't think you have a financial problem," he opined.

Confronted with such political warnings from big town mayors, Governor Sigler chose to recommend new taxes rather than resort to deficit financing. "Many people have the misconception that there are available for general fund appropriations large balances in our treasury," said Governor Sigler in his legislative message. "Few people seem to have any accurate knowledge of the manner in which the revenues available to the state are being spent."

If the public is woefully ignorant of the financial facts at Lansing, then Mayor Welsh is politically smart to tag the odds of new taxes on Governor Sigler and the current state legislature. "There is no financial problem at Lansing. The State has many millions in reserves, all waiting to be spent. No new taxes are needed. Eliminate waste in government at Lansing. Elect a new governor and clean up the mess."

The committee asked local builders and architects to design a house which would meet FHA standards and still be sold for less than \$5,000. A large order in those days of high prices, but the committee turned up a practical plan. Four local contractors were interested and construction got under way. The local government housing expediter helped by organizing a "swap shop" where builders could find out who had some extra hardwood flooring, plaster, or plumbing fixtures.

The Yakima contractor who completed the first of these new low-cost houses says he couldn't have built the house for the price if he hadn't had plenty of cooperation from everybody in the building industry. He saved money by using straight wages when they needed to do the jobs when they needed to be done. The contractor paid union wages to his workmen, bought his materials from regular dealers, made a fair profit for himself, and was still able to sell the house for \$4,750.

The veteran who moved into the first house was Walter Colgan, a former army sergeant, and his wife, Mildred, who served in the WAC. They're very proud of their

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## Looking Back Through The Enterprise Files

**TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (April 21, 1922)**  
Board of Commerce Banquet of the Board of Commerce will be given in the community hall of the M. E. Church on Thursday evening, April 27. Distinguished gentlemen who will do their part by furnishing the intellectual feast for those in attendance include Judge Fred S. Lamb of Cadillac, Rev. Clyde McGee of Chicago, Rev. James McGee of New Haven, Connecticut and Clinton McGee of Pontiac. The latter has been selected as toastmaster, and Thomas McGee, our obliging and painstaking postmaster, as president of the Board of Commerce, will give us something worthwhile, too.  
Storm Hits Farmington  
This section was visited by a genuine thunder storm accompanied by hail at an early hour Monday morning and the rain continued to fall until about ten. Everything, including the roads, was given a good soaking.

**TEN YEARS AGO (April 29, 1937)**  
Henry Smith Dies After Five-Day Illness  
Funeral services will be held Saturday morning in Our Lady of Mercy Church for Henry Smith, Viola Villa Estates, president of the C. P. Smith grocery chain, who died in the Providence Hospital, Detroit, Wednesday evening. Mr. Smith was taken ill only last week, the first sign of his illness being a slight chill. Doctors termed his ailment as streptococcus throat.  
Farmers To Hear 1937 Soil Program  
Farmers of Farmington and Southfield Townships will have an opportunity to learn complete details of the 1937 Soil Conservation Program at a meeting scheduled for Monday, May 10, to be held in the Farmington Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. The committee handling arrangements for the meeting is composed of the following men: Harry MacCracken, Mark Wikom, Ward Eagle and A. P. Schuster.

**FIVE YEARS AGO (April 23, 1942)**  
High School Seen as Draft Center  
Monday, April 27, will be registration day under the Selective Service System, for men between the ages of 45 and 65. Any man born on or after April 28, 1917, and on or before February 16, 1919, must register on Monday. Men in this area are under the jurisdiction of Selective Service Local Board No. 8, Oakland County. There are nine townships in this board, including Farmington, Novi, Iron, Milne, Commerce, West Bloomfield, Highland, White Lake and Waterford.  
Farmington To Have Blackout  
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