

THE HIGH SCHOOL TATTLER

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The short division class are to have some new drill cards.

The geography class is now studying about North America, and for art they are making maps of this country.

Fifth Grade—James McCord of Tennessee, has been enrolled as a fifth grade pupil.

The fifth grade received a bulletin board as a Christmas present. On it will be hung interesting pictures.

Virginia Otis has returned to school after having been absent with the mumps.

Seventh Grade—The seventh grade is starting reviews for the semester examinations.

The pupils not absent from school in the seventh grade for this year are: Catherine Rubert, Richard Cox, Carl Drake, Elbert Lapham and Catherine Richardson.

For history they are having debates.

Eighth Grade—The American citizens of the eighth grade history class decided everyone should know the "Star Spangled Banner." They are memorizing it.

Miscellaneous—The play, "Patty Makes Things Hum," given by the junior class, was a decided success. The receipts were over \$110.

The seniors are planning on selecting a play to be given in the near future.

Semester examinations begin next week.

Good reports have been received from Miss Katerba, second grade teacher, who has been ill. Mrs. Conroy is teaching in her place.

—Mildred Tredway.

Athletics

The Farmington quintet gave Henry Ford's school a demonstration of floor mopping January 4, by running up a lap-sided score of 28 to 11. The visitors lacked of fence tactics, and this, coupled with the superior pass work of our boys, gave Farmington the edge on the game.

The Ford's were expected to put up a good fight, but Farmington was disappointed, as Ford's lacked speed. Farmington was not pushed at any period of the game. In the last quarter the visitors tried to lessen the difference in the score by shooting long shots, but they were evidently not acquainted with the small dimensions of the Farmington gym, and botched most of their efforts off

the ceiling. The first league game of the season was played at Redford, Jan. 11th.

The line-up was as follows:

Bryan	F	3	goals
Quinn	F	5	"
Salow	C	1	"
Cousin	G	1	"
Wilson	G	3	"

Substitution: Cousin for Chamberlain.

The Farmington understudy also gave the Millford high school team a trimming to the tune of 14 to 6. Taking everything into consideration it was a fairly fast wrestling match; although there were no casualties, several good straightenings were practiced.

Line-up:

Graham—F.	Carnes for Veitch
Veitch—F.	
R. Turner—C.	
Manzel—G.	
Spaller—G.	

Substitutions: Carnes for Veitch; Carnes for Graham.

Owing to the fact that the girls team has all the surrounding teams scared into fits by their terrible ferociousness, they were unable to secure a game, so were obliged to stage a mix-up among themselves. The green middies played the reds, and the latter were noosed out the whole distance. At the end of the half the score stood 12 to 3 and the difference was never made up. The final score was 28 to 17. There was no individual starring but several brilliant plays were made, among them being a few good tackles. The outstanding feature of the game was that it would have been a good preliminary to Custer's last fight. If you crave for excitement come to the Northville game Friday night and bring your guns.

Line-up for girl's game:

Greens	Reds
Steele	Millard
Walling	F
Chamberlain	J.C. Adams
Putnam	R.C. Goers
Banks	G
McCaftery	G Collins
Substitutions:	Pickett for McCaftery; Nichols for Banks—Greens. Wilson for Collins—Reds.

A league meeting was held at Northville recently to talk over track activities. A very promising season is expected this year. Farmington took third place last year with very little practice. If the baseball squad does not come up to the mark, Coach Westcott will turn his attention to a track team to carry off the cup this year. Of the three teams that went to Redford last Friday only one returned triumphant, the other two the main issues, were slightly

denied. The boys' team gave Redford a good fight and lost only by two points. Farmington held the floor on both offense and defense but was badly handicapped by the poor foul shooting, missing spot after shot. Farmington shot more baskets than Redford, but their opponents took advantage of every foul shot and scored point after point in this manner. More practice will be given on foul shooting, and when Redford returns our visit they will have their hands full.

The second team saved Farmington from a complete white-washing at the hands of Redford by hitting them 9 to 6. At the end of the half Farmington was dragging one point in the rear, but three points by Graham in the second half saved the day. The under studies have worked up a fairly good defense, and expect to take a few more games this season.

The girls' team had a sorry time and were beaten 41 to 11. It was a plain case of an inexperienced team against a more seasoned one! Most of the girls that are playing for Farmington this year are new to the game and not much can be expected from them the first year. There are still several veterans from last year, but they are on the retired list for some reason. The girls still have a chance if they get some support—come and help them Friday night.

—John Veitch.

"The Jollificators"

Mabel Mahaney (While studying Latin) "Ruth, what does nemo domi mean?"

Ruth Schroeder: "It isn't any wonder you don't know. It is translated 'Nobody home'."

Robert Cook: "If a foreigner should come to America and visit our school it would be easy to guess that Christmas was just over."

Bernice Millard: "Why?"

Robert Cook: "H-m-m. All the girls are camouflaged with rouge, powder and lipstick."

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\$500,000.00 LOSS BY FIRE IN U. S. IN 1922

Secretary Wallace Tells How to Minimize Damage.

Among the most serious drains on our national resources is the appalling and rapidly mounting fire waste, according to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, who in a recent statement issued at Washington said that last year it was in excess of \$500,000,000. The big individual items in this sum arise from large fires and conflagrations in cities and towns. No complete figures are available for the annual loss of farm property fire, according to the secretary, but enough information is said to be on hand to show that it also is on the increase. That the sum now materially exceeds \$50,000,000—the actual figures may be nearer \$100,000,000.

"In reducing the fire hazard to his property, as in many other matters, the farmer must rely to a large extent upon his own personal effort. While negligible exceptions he has no fire department to respond to his call when fire does occur, but on the other hand he is rarely threatened by the transitory flames that devour property of careless neighbors, as is frequently the case with the home and business house in the city. If, for any reason," the secretary says, "would make a special effort to remove needless fire hazards from the property he owns or occupies, and henceforth would continue, to exercise reasonable precaution, three-fourths or more of our annual destruction of farm property would be avoided. The effort and cost required to bring this about would be a small part of the cost and labor required to replace the property now burned each year. Furthermore, thousands of lives would be saved and many thousands would be spared needless sorrow and privation."

The most serious causes of farm fires are a chimney which has become cracked and weakened at or below where it passes through the roof; badly placed stoves and stovepipes; sparks on old and crumpled shingles on the roof; carelessness in the use of kerosene, gasoline and matches; spontaneous combustion in hay stored before properly cured, and lack of proper protection against lightning on buildings as well as on wire fences. The remedy involves a prompt and careful examination, and at an equal prompt removal of all dangers where this can be done without undue expense. The most important improvements are in general cheap compared to a fire.

"After all necessary and reasonable measures have been taken to prevent accidental fire, some thought should be given to available means of fire extinction. This is important even after precautionary measures have been taken, since the possibility of a fire, while it can and should be greatly lessened, cannot be entirely removed. Many a fire starting from the chimney of a farm dwelling has been put out before severe damage occurred by the use of a ladder, and can be quenched by simple means if prompt action is possible. Some equipment for combating a fire should be readily at hand in every farm house. The farmer's own ingenuity will readily suggest the most necessary equipment within his means if he only gives the subject due consideration."

KAISER HAD SADDLE CHAIR

Used Odd Seat While Writing and Planning Conquests.

The "saddle-chair" which the ex-kaiser used ten years ago at his office desk in the Imperial palace at Corfu has been discarded by the present head of the establishment, Col. Stephen Lowe of St. Louis, director of the Near East relief, according to a cable received in New York by the New York office of that organization. The palace is now an industrial school for 600 Armenian orphans.

Colonel Lowe's office is the same room which was used by the then kaiser, and the old mahogany desk where Wilhelm II used to plan his campaigns of conquest is now covered with orphanage reports, diagrams of new apparatus for the Armenian schools of shoe-making, carpentry and tailoring, which are located in the palace stables.

Colonel Lowe says the ex-kaiser's chair is suitable "only for a museum piece." The chair was made at Wilhelm's order from one of his old army saddles, the saddle being mounted on an ordinary swivel base from a regular office chair. Thus, it was said, Wilhelm could imagine he was in the saddle while writing and planning conquests.

The Greek government has been asked to permit the saddle-chair to be sent to America for permanent exhibition in a Washington museum.

FIND BONES OF MAMMOTH

Professor Believes Discovery Lived 50,000 Years Ago.

The bones of a Columbian mammoth, 32 feet high and 24 feet long, were dug from the bed of Crane's creek at Melbourne, Fla., by Prof. Fred B. Loomis of Amherst college geological chair.

The mammoth, mined down in the mud in the second official period about 50,000 years ago, according to Doctor Loomis. Four big teeth were found. The tusks of the mammoth showed that originally they were eight feet long and tapered to an animal of 100 per cent larger than the Asiatic elephant, Doctor Loomis said.



ISLE IS OWNED BY FRANCE

Few People Have Ever Heard of Island of Saint Pierre de Miquelon Off Newfoundland.

Very few people have ever heard of the little French island of Saint Pierre de Miquelon. It is almost lost in logs and icebergs off the coast of Newfoundland, and yet it has a most interesting history. It is a French possession and the first authentic visit of a Frenchman to Newfoundland was that of Jean Denys in 1608; and in 1550, Jacques Cartier records that he had sailed several ships from France and England "at the islands of Saint Pierre de Miquelon." In this first half of the sixteenth century, Normans, Bretons and Basques competed in daring expeditions for France's fishery. From January to March, 1544, at least two ships a day left Havre, Rouen, Honfleur or Dieppe for Newfoundland and Saint Pierre de Miquelon. In the autumn everyone returned to his port of embarkation, where he passed the winter, and Saint Pierre was only a fishing station.

ORIGIN OF FLOWERS' NAMES

Great Many Blossoms Bear Names Taken From Human Beings.

A great many of the flowers so well beloved bear names taken from human beings and are recorded in classic legends. Take for instance the hyacinth and narcissus. "Hyacinthus" was beloved by Zephyrus, but returned the affection so coldly that the latter, in anger, threw the quail (sung by Apollo) so that "it hit Hyacinthus on the head, causing his death." His grief Apollo changed the youth's blood into a flower. Narcissus, according to one legend, fell in love with his own image as he saw it reflected in water, mistaking it for the nymph of the fountain. He pined away and died of unrequited love. The flower bloomed from the place where he languished. Crocus is the Greek "Krokos" saffron, to which family it belongs. Saffron is made from the dried stigmata of the purple crocus. The Jonquil gets its name from the Latin word for a "rush," which has similar leaves and flowers.

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Cars leave Farmington for Orchard Lake and Pontiac at 5:40 a.m., 6:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 7:55 a.m., and hourly to 10:55 p.m., also 6:10 p.m. and 12:20 a.m.

First car leaves Farmington for Northville at 6:05 a.m., 7:00 a.m., hourly to 11:00 p.m., also 6:15 p.m. and 12:22 a.m.

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