

The Latch-Key

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EDITORIAL

In seven days the senior class will leave Farmington for a six-day tour of Washington, D. C. They will leave Detroit at 4:00 p. m. Saturday, March 29 on the Baltimore & Ohio lines and return about 8:00 a. m. Friday, April 4.

Since April, 1929 the class has worked on various projects in order to make the trip. They have collected papers, given plays, sold magazines, and completed a number of other enterprises. And now, in seven more days will add \$40 to the treasury and begin to collect the reward for their hard work. Will they have spent this time and money wisely?

From the educational standpoint; we would say. During the first semester of this year all of the students studied Civics. In this course they learned the fundamental principles of their government and to know almost personally the leading men of Congress and the Cabinet.

To actually see these things in operation and learn further facts of this government would be the realization of a dream.

To visit and touch the historical places and things which their course in American History points out as the underlying factors of the establishing of our country, will affect their lives in later years and bring more clearly to their minds those things they spent several years in learning.

Also, from the social standpoint we feel that the trip is worth while. The experience of an over night ride on a train will be new to the majority of the class. A week's stay in a hotel, living away from those whom they are used to, will be a test for the character of the students. Coming in contact with strangers and students from all over the country may lead to new friendships.

The class of 1930 is to be the sixth one to visit Washington from Farmington. Five previous groups have enjoyed the profitable trip and in one week have learned or relearned knowledge equivalent to what four years in high school brought them. Surely the value of a high school education would be diminished without this final opportunity.

"TRITONS"

A nickname for the high school was chosen at a recent meeting of the student council as a result of a contest held in the school for the past two weeks.

The name "Tritons" was unanimously chosen by a committee from the council. After a long discussion "Tritons" was the choice over "Golden Eagles." Francis Drake handed in the winning name while Edward Measell submitted the runner-up.

The story of Triton can be found in a book of Myths by Max J. Herzberg. Neptune, Greek god of the waters, was Triton's father. Triton patrolled the oceans, carrying with him a sea shell with which he controlled the waves. He could make the waters calm or rough, as he chose.

He had a powerful body, the lower half being that of a large fish. He was related to the Nereids, the fifty beautiful daughters of Nereus and Doris. The Nereids are pictured as mermaids, being part human and part fish.

The name "Tritons" was chosen by the committee for several reasons. The lettering is well balanced and would be attractive if put on athletic equipment. It has a ringing tone which would sound out in school songs or yells. Then to the committee said, "It suggests power and superiority over others as Triton was the most powerful god of the waters."

The name is pronounced (tri-ton) with a long i and short o.

MOOTO FOR THIS WEEK

- The success ladder.
- 100%—I did.
- 90%—I will.
- 80%—I can.
- 70%—I think I can.
- 60%—I might.
- 50%—I think I might.
- 40%—What is it.
- 30%—I wish I could.
- 20%—I don't know how.
- 10%—I can't.
- 0%—I won't.

Where do you stand on this ladder?

HI-Y CHOOSES COMEDIES

The plays to be given by the HI-Y at the Carnival were selected at the regular business meeting Tuesday March 10. Two comedies, "At Harmony Junction" and "Joshing the Janitor" were chosen. "At Harmony

Junction" takes place at a small country railroad station. A train is about to leave the station just in time to miss his train and soon he has an earnest conversation with the station master in which a porter and a tramp join.

"Joshing the Janitor" takes place in Jones' office. Jones is a business man and Joshing is a negro janitor. These two will furnish much amusement by their wise cracks and dumb answers.

The Casts:
"At Harmony Junction."
The Station Agent Glenn Werner
The Hotel Porter...Richard Fox
The Tramps...Alvin Nicholson
The Stranger...Roy Young

"Joshing the Janitor."
Sam, a colored janitor
Frank Keerr
Jones, a business man
George Mairs

GIRLS' BASEBALL TEAM
The Farmington High School girls are already in preparation for their 1930 baseball season.

One looking out in back of the school at noon or at 6 o'clock can't help seeing girls at practice. Last year's graduation took but four players from the squad: Virginia Adams, Shirley Zwahlen, Stella Vanderburgh and Katherine Banfield. Therefore the school expects a successful season.

The outstanding veterans are: Dwayne Murphy, June Johnson, Viola Lamb, Lena Shepko, Lucille Jacobs and Gladys Krumm. All six have earned letters last year.

PARTY IS GIVEN
Eleven basketball girls attended a party Friday evening, March 14 given by Mrs. Arthur Lamb at her home on Rogers street. The party was a compliment to the girls on their successful season.

Mrs. Lamb has been a good supporter of the team this year. She did not miss a home game and showed her interest by inquiring frequently of the team's progress. Her daughter, Viola, played at forward.

Bunco was played at the party. Miss Webster, the girls' coach, showed her superiority over her faculty when she walked off with the first prize. Dorothy Owens also received honors: booby prize.

After the game lunch was served and the party broke up about 11 o'clock.

The annual high school Mardi Gras will be given March 21 in the high school building.

The different organizations have the following stands and features:

- Seniors: Dance check room, candy.
- Juniors: Side shows.
- Sophomores: Refreshment booths.
- Freshmen: Novelty stands.
- HI-Y: Assembly program.
- Girls' League: Tea room.

The Carnival will open at 7:00 and the side shows, novelty and refreshment booths will operate continually. At 8:00 o'clock the HI-Y gym with all its entertaining devices will be opened at 9. At 10 o'clock when all the program is over the dancing will begin and will continue until 12. When another F. H. S. Mardi Gras will be over.

SPRING SPORTS

The coming of Spring brings forth a new phase in the boys' athletic department. The baseball and track squads will prepare for practice the early part of next month.

The prospects for baseball are promising. Losing only two regulars last year, the team will be fairly well organized and new players in the school may fill in the weak spots.

Ivan Cox will captain the team this year. Among other veterans are: Stuckey, Fendt, Measell, Drake, Hamilton, Nicholson, McCulley and Cairns.

Robert Hunter, William Hamilton and John Trombley are new recruits for the team. They are reported to be promising candidates, all having played before.

The track department does not look so bright. A weak team last year was weakened more by the graduation of Otis, one of the greatest trackmen Farmington has known.

Of last year's point-scorers only four appeared this year, Grimme, McCulley, Jyleen and Capt. Werner. However, all are beginning their last year of track which suggests that they will be better than in previous years.

There are several fellows who participated in track meets last year but failed to place. They may develop into strong point-scorers this season.

SENIORS LEAVE MARCH 29

On the 29th of March the seniors of '30 will leave for Washington after a year of hard work. Out of a class of 29 pupils 27 plan to go.

Last year on March 28 the class of '29 left for the capitol and the class of '30 with a similar trip in mind set out to earn money. Alice Parker was put in charge of the candy stand and George Mairs was appointed to take charge of the collection of old papers. A Junior play, "The Whole Town's Talking," brought the activities of that term to a close.

When school opened in the Fall, activities were renewed with Melba Keech taking Alice Parker's place. Another play, called "When's Your Birthday" was given. In the first part of December, through the courtesy of Mr. Stokes the seniors held a dance in the new A & P store as part of the opening of the store.

In the second semester a rummage sale was held in Brightmore on two consecutive Saturdays. On the last day of February a supper was given in the M. E. Church. On the third Saturday of every month a bake sale was

held in the Lee Hardware. S. A. Graves, manager of the Graves Washington tour will speak to the seniors Monday after school.

A special bus will be sent out to Farmington to take the class of '30 to the Union Station where they will board a special car.

HONORS GO TO JUNIORS

The Juniors have emerged victorious from the interclass championship running of the school by downing the Junior High, 31 to 8 and defeating the Sophomores in the final 22 to 18.

There were five teams entered in the race. Monday, March 10, the Junior High swamped the Freshmen 48 to 6 and the Sophomores defeated the Seniors 24 to 7. The Juniors drew a bye and didn't play until Tuesday when they met the Junior High.

Wednesday, the Seniors took the Sophomores into camp to win the championship.

The first half was featured by close ground and poor shooting on the part of the Juniors. Time after time they had open shots, but missed them. At half time the score was 6 to 4 in favor of

the Juniors. When the second half got under way the eleventh graders began to sink their shots and to run up a big score.

After the fourth quarter started they began to loaf and as a result the Sophomores sank four baskets and three fouls to come within two points of a tie. However, with one minute and forty seconds left to play they were held scoreless while Howarth sank a basket to clinch the game for the Juniors. The final score was 22 to 18.

THIS WEEK A YEAR AGO

Thirty-two men reported to Coach Brethour for track; 18 were out for baseball and five out for golf. Seventeen girls were out for tennis.

The new members that had just joined the HI-Y Club were made to give talks in the library in front of a group of students and teachers and everywhere you could see them piling along under a load of books which the old members forced them to carry.

The Seniors chose their chaplains for the trip to Washington.

Mr. Brethour being chosen for the boys and Miss MacKeller, the class advisor, for the girls.

The Civics class made a trip in the school bus to the State Capitol and Library.

The Juniors started their fund for the Washington trip by taking over the candy stand and the collection of old newspapers.

PERSONALS

Walter Nielsen and Gus Rozenboom, graduates of '28, and the batteries of F. H. S. champs of last year, are out for the U. of M. baseball team.

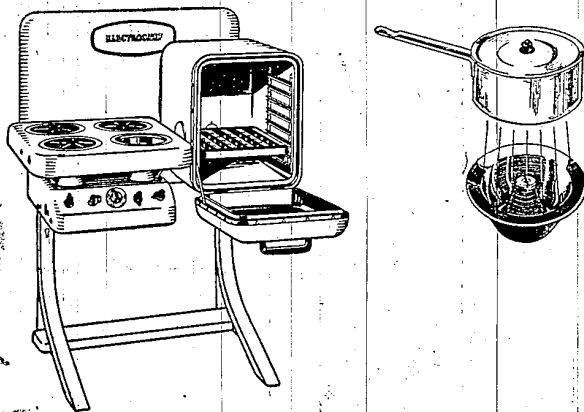
Mildred Brown, a graduate of the same year, '28, and member of the debating team, was married to Edward Whitney recently.

Philo McCulley, Bob Hunter, and Bill Starkey, were guests at the Plymouth J-Hop Friday the 21st.

Howard Catherman, graduate of '28, and all around athlete, is now president of his house (Pioneer) at Alma College.

Henry Otis, graduate of '29, is coming home from St. John's Military Academy the 29th, for a week's vacation with his family.

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