

# Farmington High School News

(Edited by the Journalism Class)

## Civics Club Visits Capital Buildings

The members of the Civics club went to Lansing Friday to visit the State Capitol building. After studying about their state government in civics recently, it was in proper order that they should visit the capitol city. The members drove to Lansing where they met their teacher, Miss Cavanaugh.

In the morning they visited the capitol, where they climbed to the top of the dome and looked out over the city. Then they visited the Supreme Court room and the Representative and Senate Chambers in the State House. Next visited was the Pioneer Museum where many interesting pioneer articles were displayed.

After lunch the group saw the headquarters of the Michigan State Police, where they learned about fingerprinting, radio broadcasting and target practice. A large hand-drawn map of Michigan showing the different branches of Michigan State Police was interesting to see. Every road in Michigan was drawn on the map. It also showed by use of colored lights, where the different state cars were located. This large map as high as the wall, was constructed so that a person could work on the top of it without having to stand on a ladder. Because of the large number in the group and the little time left, it was impossible to have the members' fingerprints taken. But if arrangements are made beforehand, they were told, they would be able to have them taken.

The club ended by visiting the Michigan State College campus where they saw the various class buildings. The club members were surprised to see that so many college students were so young.

It was nearly 3:30 p. m. when the club started for home.

## Seniors Lead Classes In Honor Roll Rating

The seniors lead the other classes after the end of another marking period with 26.5 percent of the class on the honor roll. Sixteen members rate the honor roll.

The freshmen are second with 17 members, or 18 percent of the class on the roll, and the sopho-

more and juniors trail along with 15.5 and 15 percent.

The honor roll:  
Freshmen—D. Baldwin, G. Brykalski, J. Erickson, N. Fulcher, P. Gambee, C. Greenman, R. Howie, D. Knight, P. Lapham, J. Linemeyer, J. McVey, R. Nash, J. Norton, E. Pink, V. Ragdale, R. Rowlands and D. Smith.  
Sophomores—T. Bacon, L. Beckwith, L. Bell, B. Currie, L. Griffin, M. Himmelsbach, B. Kargetta, B. Ready, R. Rosenbloom, G. Scullard, F. VanSlyke and D. Wyckoff.

Juniors—J. Addis, J. Burnham, B. Campbell, A. Greenman, T. Himmelsbach, D. Johnson, H. Kreson, R. Milburn, E. Miller, L. Rayner, D. Reid and J. Reid.  
Seniors—C. Benson, S. Bellmyer, T. Brykalski, J. Cain, J. Collins, R. Greenman, E. Grisela, G. Kreson, R. Kripko, C. Rose, B. Ryall, W. Ray, D. Schulteis, M. Scullard, B. Sherman and M. Walker.

## BAND ENTERS MUSIC COMPETITION

The Farmington High School Band will compete in the South-eastern Michigan Band and Orchestra Festival to be held Saturday, March 26, at Hamtramck High School. Farmington will play in class B. Their opponents are Berkeley and Birmingham.

Each band will play three numbers, a warm-up, the required number, "The Culp of Bagdad," and a selected number. Farmington has chosen "Debannaire" by Erik Leidzen for their selected number. Each will be given a selection for sight reading.

Ray Prorak, director of the University of Wisconsin band, will judge.

## ART CLASSES IN POSTER CONTEST

Members of the art class will compete for the prizes that the American Legion is giving for posters to use for "Poppy Day." Mr. Baker says the class will have a good chance to win these prizes because they have made posters before and know how to blend colors.

First prize will be \$3, second prize \$2 and third prize \$1. The total prize money will amount to \$6.

All the girls and boys in school can compete in the contest.

## STUDENTS LEARN STAGE MAKEUP

The public speaking class is taking instruction in stage make-up, and has purchased make-up kits. This course was started several weeks before the Senior play and used for the characters in it. Straight make-up only has been taught, but old age and character make-up soon will be started.

The principles of the theatre also are being studied.

## GRADE NEWS

### FIRST GRADE

The class has a jar of Guppies, a type of small fish. The children are studying their habits and customs and find it interesting. They also have several plants and a potato in a jar which they are trying to grow.

They started their spelling books last week and everyone got gold stars for good papers.

### SECOND GRADE

The girls and boys have welcomed Spring with a small garden. This garden is in reality a collection of plants in flower pots. The different vegetables include beans, peas, sweet potatoes and Idaho potatoes. According to this group Spring is actually here.

### THIRD GRADE

The star reading class has finished the "Munching Peter" books and have started to read "Happy Road" much to their delight. In their arithmetic class most of the children have started to learn the multiplication table of six.

Of course, the class is excited over the coming of Spring and they have selected for poems of Spring and then have written stories on them.

Nearly everyone is back from their illness and this helps in the way they do their studies.

### FOURTH GRADE

The children are saving money for a picture project. The name of the picture has not yet been released.

The children already have lines on books which are over due, and also have a one-cent fine for coming with muddy shoes.

Posters are being made in making to Spring. Each row is making one poster; these five posters are being made. One poster includes a house and garage with a clothes line and a lady hanging up her clothes. The house is colorful with its red roof and shutters.

### SIXTH GRADE

After spelling for one hour, Roberta Beckwith won the sixth grade spelling contest. Her Shirley Koss and Charles Diamond both misspelled "autonobile." Roberta lives at 33131 Grand River avenue and is 11 years old.

It was one of the hardest fought contests that has taken place in such a small school. The pupils spelled so accurately they were finally forced to spell words they had not studied this year.

Tricky words such as arrive, inning, fought, cancel, high, excellent, February, restaurant and account proved to be too much for most of the students.

The last 10 standing in each grade will compete in the school bee which will be held April 8.

### SEVENTH GRADE

The beginning of the seventh grade spelling contest went along rapidly with the spellers going down on a slight miscount. The last five standing were four girls and one boy. The boy finally went down leaving the four girls. The runner-up, Clotilde Morgan, who is 12 years old, lives at 2549 Twelve Mile Road. She misspelled "disappointment." Nina Wilson, the winner, 12, lives at 23011 Lincoln Road, also won the spelling bee when she was in the fifth grade.

The last ten standing will compete in the school bee. They are Bessie Cowgill, Ethel White, Fred Sieg, Nina Wilson, Edna Parker, Anna Mae Marks, Clotilde Morgan, Richard Pauline, June Blagg and Leona Tamm.

### EIGHTH GRADE

A grand battle was put up by the last five contestants in the eighth grade contest. Finally one boy was left standing against three girls, but went down when he spelled "Robert Hamme" incorrectly.

Maxine Willacker, Edna Donna Kahrl were left when Donna misspelled "maintenance" leaving Maxine the winner.

The 10 who will compete for the school championship are Yvonne Willacker, Bill Carpenter, Dorothy Paschke, Theresa Gamache, Bill White, Clara Meng, Robert Hamm, Irene Zarzyke, Donna Kahrl and Maxine Willacker.

## ADVENTURES WITH BOOKS

"A Man For the Ages" and "A Gentleman of Courage" were being along "The Ancient Highway" when "The Mysterious Rider" on "The Iron Horse" gave the "Call of the Wild." "Liddle" was waiting "At the Foot of the Rainbow" for "The Lone Star Ranger" when he

saw "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" coming down "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine." "The Light in the Clearing" was seen by the "Keeper of the Bees" and he went to "The Man of the Forest" to see what it meant. He said "The Man in Lower Ten" had "Burned Bridges" and it had become an "Unquenchable Fire" but was now only "Red Ashes." "David Harum" had been under "The Circular Staircase" and had seen "The Black Cat."

"David Copperfield" knew "The Count of Monte Cristo" and went to the "Steppes of France" to learn where he was. They said he had gone to "Forslorn River" with "The Virginian."

"We" had "One Minute to Play" when one of "Jo's Boys" made a "Touchdown."

"Mother Carey's Chickens" were lost in "The Valley of the Moon" and she feared they were "Gone With the Wind," so she sent "The Young Lion Hunter" to find them. At "Dawn" he took "The Blazed Trail" and soon came upon them in "The Desert of Wheat." He was taking them home when he heard "The Voice of the Wilderness" saying, "In the Days of Poor Richard." "When Knighthood was in Flower" "King Arthur" saved "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" from death, and for a reward was given a chance to play "Shortstop" beside "Fenrod" who was "The Young Pitcher." He reached "The Top of the World" and "Tomorrow At This Time" you will see him in "Sunset Pass" with "The Dark Dawn" making him "Man Size." "Daddy Long Legs" was "Just Patty" flew on "The Wings of Morning" to the "River's End" and lived in "The Valley of the Stars" until "Doomsday."—P.A.D.

## Bug Battles Bug To Aid Michigan Fruit Growers

Meet Dioces Molestae, an ugly customer, and Macrocentrus Anlyvorus, ditto.

With others of their kind they literally are brothers "under the skin" and mortal enemies of the Oriental fruit moth and other insects that try to rob or destroy the quality of Michigan fruit, especially peaches.

But mankind has found the above named technically known as parasitic wasps, among several that are able to do battle successfully with Michigan's orchard insect pests.

In July this year, as in several years in the past, entomologists of Michigan State College will supervise the liberation of these

wasps. Tests conducted by the college in cooperation with orchard operators in the Michigan fruit belt and with federal men in the parasitic laboratory at Moorestown, N. J., indicate the effectiveness of the work.

Combat is simple. The wasp merely lays eggs inside the body of the fruit moth's larvae. These eggs hatch and the young parasitic wasps consume the larvae. Because the wasp seems to seek out the larvae in twigs or those of the first and second broods of the fruit insect pest, the prevalence of the parasite cuts down the number of pests evident when the fruit begins to mature.

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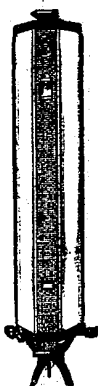
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