

High School Is Recognized As Qualified Preparation

Farmington's high school enjoys membership in the North Central Association and the approval of the University of Michigan. These two qualifications mean the school is doing a good job in preparing its students for college and that any of its graduates next June, who have had good grades available to enter the University of Michigan, Oxford University in England, or any other accredited college or university.

Each year the North Central Association requires a report from the school and every three years it sends a representative to examine the school. It stresses the merit of the teachers in appraising the school. Some of its requirements are that all high school teachers shall have a bachelor's degree and

they shall "be adequately prepared in those subjects and fields in which they are engaged." The supervisor is required to have a master's degree.

There are numerous other criteria employed in determining whether a school is to be given membership in the Association. Among these are the number of pupils each teacher is required to teach, the number and kind of books in the school library, the condition of the school plant, the instructional equipment and supplies and the financial support of the school.

It is a school rates high on the basis of these various criteria. It is given a membership in the Association, which means that its graduates have received a secondary school education of sufficient thoroughness to qualify them for entrance in a higher school.

Farmington high school has enjoyed the distinction of belonging to the Association since 1937. A certificate in the office of Superintendent R. C. Burns attests to this fact. The most recent inspection by the Association was last year.

Although the North Central Association applies only to the middle west, its requirements are essentially the same as those applying all over the country. Having been in the North Central certificate of membership is another from the University of Michigan. This was given to the high school in 1929 and has been kept since then on the basis of inspections made every three years. These inspections are made by

professors from the University. The University bases its certification partly upon the salaries paid to teachers, according to Mr. Burns. Another consideration it makes is whether the school teaches courses that will prepare the student for an easy transition into the college curriculum. This consideration involves the subject matter as well as the manner in which it is taught.

The two certificates hanging on the wall in Mr. Burns' office may not seem to be important because only 10 per cent of the graduates of Farmington high school go to college. But, this is not so. The same merit that is acknowledged by these certificates is of benefit to the student who will never go to college. He is taught by the same teachers, with the same methods and equipment which have been required to live up to college standards.

At the present time there are about 15 graduates of the high school in various colleges, Mr. Burns said.

Letters to the Editor are always welcomed by this newspaper.

U. of M. To Present "Elijah" December 13

The School of Music of the University of Michigan will present its annual Christmas offering, Mendelssohn's "Elijah" at 8:30 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor.

The general public, with the exception of small children, is invited to attend without admission charge, but is respectfully requested to be seated on time, because the doors will be closed during numbers.

Mendelssohn's Immortal work will be presented by the University of Michigan Union of 300 voices, the University of Michigan student Symphony orchestra of 90 players, and a list of soloists from the School of Music as follows:

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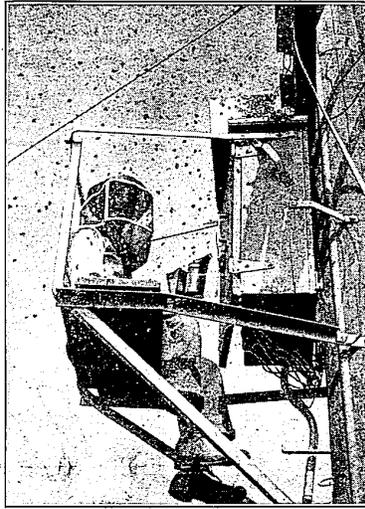
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