

The Blue and White

Office News

Mr. Duncel attended a State Conference at West Junior High School, Lansing, Michigan, on Saturday, March 16.

Dr. Eugene Elliott discussed the subject of teachers and citizenship.

Dr. M. Trout, of Central State Teachers College, spoke concerning the changes in Michigan communities.

Dr. H. Tab, of University of Chicago, discussed "How Teachers Evaluate Learning."

Mr. Duncel attended a group meeting dealing with health problems in village or urban school districts.

Thirty-six discussion groups were scheduled to meet during the day.

Questionnaires are being sent to parents of grade school children in an attempt to secure up-to-date records on vaccination for smallpox and diphtheria.

A notice has been received for meeting discussion leaders for a Citizenship Day Program which is planned for Oakland County and will be held Sunday, May 13.

Archibald Leonard, chairman of the Farmington Union, several meetings are being planned for young men and women who are to become twenty-one years old this May. These young people will be honored at the Citizenship Day Program.

School closes Thursday, March 27, for the Annual Spring Vacation and will reopen on Monday, April 1.

—Leona Brovage

Seniors Begin Work on Commencement Activities

Several recently appointed committees have started the Senior Social Calendar moving.

Members of the Banquet Committee for the Junior-Senior Banquet are: Doris Dickerson, Clyde Giesen, Doris Smith, Earl Milburn, and Barbara Nash. The members of the Program Committee are: Doris Dickerson, Don Bachlor, Lucille Charter, Dora Huster, and Norma Weishburn. The date of the event is not definite.

The seniors received their proofs last week and none were disappointing.

The Senior Prom will be held March 29 in the High School Auditorium. Clark Dunn's Orchestra will furnish the music.

Janet Waack

Louisiana State Leads in Junior High Big Ten

Competition among Junior High boys has been plenty stiff these last weeks, with Louisiana State and Ohio State running neck and neck.

Pre-n standing of the seven leaders:

Team	Won	Lost	Per.
Louisiana State U.	6	1	.857
Ohio State U.	6	2	.750
Northwestern U.	5	3	.625
University of Mich.	4	4	.500
University of Iowa	3	3	.375
Minnesota	2	5	.286
Texas U.	1	7	.125

These teams have enjoyed playing basketball under the direction of Mr. Drucker.

—Kay Chatham

Laughs and Surprises in Dancing Classes

Social training dances give all the lads and lassies quite a laugh at times.

Did you ever start to square dance and get all mixed up? It happens quite often in some sets, but they finally get straightened out.

Inside a girl five feet four inches tall swinging with a boy six feet tall! It's no wonder we all get a laugh now and then.

A new waltz was introduced Tuesday. After learning it, the class enjoyed it.

You can pick a partner, but you can't tell how long you are going to have her with all the surprises our instructor springs.

—Mildred Allen

Question Box

Question: When you are talking to a person to whom you haven't been introduced and whose name you don't know (but who knows your name, however), is it proper to say, "How do you do?" after she has introduced herself to you?

Answer: In this instance, the "How do you do?" would not be necessary, as you have already been talking with one another.

We say "How do you do?" when introductions take place at the beginning of a conversation.

—Lola Bell

Everything is worth what its purchaser will pay for it.

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Award Assembly Sponsored by S. C.

Have you ever seen your daughter blush?

Your son seldom blushes, does he? If you had wanted to see him or your neighbor's son blush, you should have been at the assembly meeting of all the letter boys, March 18.

Poor Mr. Pelto—he kept his head down all during the meeting. The boy just doesn't like compliments.

Carl Hunt received the cup for our baseball team of 1939.

Tom Bacon received the cup for our football team of 1939.

Letters and certificates were given to following players:

Baseball—Garret, Hunt, Davis, Pink, Shultz, A. Wersch, W. Wersch, Kiergetz, E. Cossin, R. Cossin, J. Champagne, Bacon, L. Gardner, and A. Wilson.

Football—B. Aulen, DeVriendt, Belcher, Brykaski, Schram, Jackson, Farrell, Shultz, Hunt, J. Lyons, E. Barrens, Pelto, Priest, Brooks, J. Borne, Dwyer, Davidson, Davis and N. Parent.

Basketball—Hunt, D. Oldenburg, Davis, Brooks, Pelto, Bacon, J. Barrens, and DeVriendt.

Also Managers Don Koebel, and Tom Koebel.

Letters.

Mr. Thompson, Mr. Shoemaker, Mr. Hutton, and Mr. Duncel were the main speakers. Tom Dwyer, vice-president of the Council, was chairman.

Confucius say—"Farmington had one vally good football team in 1939." What will he say for 1940, or does it matter?

MacK Farrell, new captain of the football team, hopes that we will have a successful team for the next football season.

The football banquet will be held in the Spring, in combination with basketball and baseball.

By Mildred A. Allen and Leona Brovage.

Science Class Studies Stars

The science class is studying stars and constellations. The class is learning the names and locations of various stars.

The boys in the fourth grade have made swords and shields like those the Vikings used.

The children have also made a mid-summer festival on a table. On another table they have decorations for Easter.

In art work the class is making figures out of clay and wire.

BIRD HOUSES ENTERED IN CONTEST

Two bird houses were made by Jimmy Bowman and Lawrence Stock. These bird houses will compete for the prizes given by the Garden Club in their conservation program.

THIRD GRADERS LEARN TO DO FOLK DANCES

In gym classes these pupils are learning to dance the minuet, Bliking, and Indian dances. They are also learning health commands.

BEGINNERS IN BOOK REPORTS

To improve their reading, the grade school pupils are reading as many books as they can. After reading these books each child gives a book report on the book that they read.

—Zora Husted

FIRST AND SECOND GRADES

By Doreen Bothwell

Miss Stoffer, teacher of the first grade, has been helping her pupils

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Grade News

Special Activities Emphasize Spring

The sixth graders are studying about the Dutch people and their customs. They made posters to illustrate Dutch life in Holland. They also wrote stories about Holland and Easter, and made flower pots of tulips for window decorations, since tulips are a native plant of Holland. An Easter drawing was made on the board by Elizabeth Holland, Lorraine Smith, and Betty Hunt.

Vera Dietrich Wins In Fifth Grade Spelling Bee

In the fifth grade spelling bee Friday Vera Dietrich was the winner. The runner up was Valery Walters. The contest was very exciting and lasted one hour and twenty-five minutes. Vera will receive a dictionary.

There were ten pupils chosen to represent the fifth grade in the spelling bee. The pupils chosen are: Vera Dietrich, Valery Walters, Dorothy Beckwith, Edward Ernst, Donald Dickinson, Mary Stock, Joan Aschenbrenner, Jerce Heeney, Gerald Miller, Donald Norton. The winner of the school bee will represent Farmington in the district bee and will receive a medal.

The fifth grade chose some very nice decorations of narcissus in their windows.

Several pupils are still working on bird houses.

They are studying South America and have worked out scenes that show the life in South America.

Literary Department

"T" In speech, "T" in theme

"T" in speech again! Are there no substitutes? You wouldn't think so from all the "T's" you see and hear. But stop! I seem to have a rather hazy memory of some word. Win? Won? One—that's it. I remember now that there is some way of using "oneest" instead of myself. Of course, it had rather some out of style, but still it could be used in an emergency.

There must be another substitute, too. Oh, yes, you can write in the third person; you know, instead of saying "I went away," say "She went away." The only trouble with this is that, if you are talking about yourself, you might confuse your listeners a bit.

A statement might be made indirectly. There's an idea—for instance, "A girl is seen." That does sound rather comical, though, doesn't it?—and not many people would use it except, perhaps, in a business letter.

Oh dear! Nothing seems to really make a good substitute; yet there's no use advising people not to use "T." If there isn't a good substitute, say! Why doesn't someone think up some new words? You might use some of the letters which get neglected. Here are a few suggestions: Ig, Oop, Jt, Id, Ia, and Eri. Just think what fun it would be to head a theme: "Iri Go to a Party." It would sound rather awkward at first, but people would get used to it. You could write a letter: "Dear—will come."

I am very sorry to hear you are sick. I hope you get better soon."

If there were several substitutes, all the better; you could have a different word for each "T." You could say "Erx am going down town tomorrow. Ig went yesterday, and Oop would like to take you." People probably wouldn't like my suggestions, although I do (excuse me)—I do think it is a good idea. Well, perhaps there is a system like that in Utopia, which would probably be the best place for it.

—Judith Oates, Sophomore

Students Participate in Minstrel Show

Eighteen Farmington high school girls and boys are taking part in the Minstrel Show to be given by the Kiwanis Club Tuesday, March 25.

The opening chorus is made up of sailors, cabin boys, tourist girls and boys, and gypsy dancers. The following Farmington students will take part in this chorus: Damon Kalphit, Joan Erickson, Ethel Pink, Betty Ready, Betty Lee Quinik, Susan Slocum, Beatrice Coe, Leo Cazzullo, Sara Nelson, Dorothy Baldwin, Virginia Redding, Elsie Baldwin, Gordon Nelson, Joy Heath, Lorraine Donovan, Mary Himmelsbach, Betty Jane Worsfold, and Mary Butler.

A gypsy dance solo will be performed by Betty Jane Worsfold and "The Mood" will be sung by Mary Redding.

Clubs

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Archeology Is Subject Of Conservation Picture

Archeology, a sport which is gaining rapidly in popularity, is brought to the screen in a picture just released by the conservation department.

The picture, Feathered Shafts, is presented with sound accompaniment. The Indian's method of fashioning bows and arrows is compared with modern precision methods and the one-owl film shows also Michigan archers in competition and in the woods during the special deer season, November 1 to 15, which has been opened to them.

The new film is on loan from the department's education division to organizations which have 16-millimeter projection equipment.



'Mother Knows Best' Doesn't She?

Guiding their inquiring minds and dynamic activities... choosing their food, clothes, entertainment and health needs... the well-informed modern mother knows what is best for the welfare of her offspring! And it is safe to say that an incalculable share of her accurate information has had its beginning in the advertising columns of this newspaper.

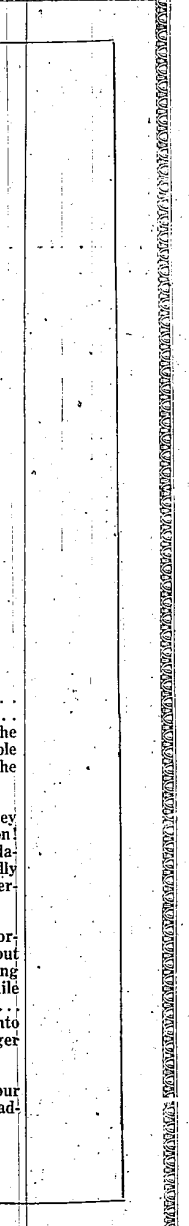
Many of the advertisements today bristle with ideas. They are more than catalogs. In the true sense, they are education! Scientific minds contribute to their contents. Their recommendations are based on deep thought. Their words are carefully chosen; their diction studiously formed for clarity and understanding.

Through advertisements the mother of today learns authoritatively about new methods in the care of children's teeth. About antiseptics and hygienics. About body-building and health-giving foods. About new comforts as well as new styles, in juvenile wearing apparel. About books and schools and vacation camps. The advertisements pour innumerable hints and suggestions into her store of knowledge. They make her a more capable manager of the home and guardian of the family exchequer.

"Mother knows best"—is this expression heard about your home? Is it just an admonition? Or, is it founded on facts. Reading advertisements will to help make it so.

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