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### EDITORIAL

#### Should We Have A Censored Press?

A question frequently asked to day is "Should we have a censored press?"

Our Constitution guarantees us the right to practice freedom of speech and of press. Through these rights public opinion is a very important factor in our present government. Democracy is not only a form of government, but also a manner of living, or way of life. Ours is a representative democracy because public opinion is a medium through which the wishes of the public are conveyed, and it is this medium which has enabled us to preserve our democracy. During this modern age, with all its advancements in radio, movies, newspapers, magazines, and any other type of influential literature, it is rather difficult to ascertain public opinion; consequently we should be on guard against an invisible matter called propaganda.

This term "propaganda" may be new to you, but it is a very old custom. Propaganda has a long history and goes back to the days when the Romans were enjoying their prestige. This term is defined as all efforts to influence thoughts and actions to good or evil, usually by misleading facts.

#### ENGLISH CLASSES ELECT STAFF OF SPECIAL OFFICERS

Miss Dammon has carried out a plan in her classes to give her pupils an opportunity to share in the responsibilities of classroom activities. There are four duties or positions in each classroom.

First, there is a supervisor. His job is to oversee class work in case of a short absence on the part of Miss Dammon. This means to keep the class in order, take roll, and to carry on discussion. In other words, the supervisor is a temporary substitute for the teacher.

The second position is that of hostess. She receives any guests that might come to visit. She introduces herself to the visitor, and finds her a seat. She also explains the subject being taught and what part the students are studying at the time.

At the end of the class she will escort the visitor to any other room he would like to visit.

The host has the job of the hostess in case of her absence.

The other activity is that of custodian. This person takes all papers which have been collected or distributed back to the class.

The plan will keep the class functioning more important and create more interest.

Officers elected by their class:

Section I—Freshman: Supervisor, Marjorie White; Hostess, Betty Davis; Host, Russell Smith; Custodian, John Hunt.

Section II—Sophomores: Supervisor, Christine Dicking; Hostess, Virginia Redding; Host, William Pournier; Custodian, Lorraine Donovan.

Section III—Freshman: Supervisor, Kathleen Tassie; Hostess, Mary Jane Smith; Host, Ben Burdick; Custodian, Joe Caswell.

Section IV—Journalism: Supervisor, Ed Barrons; Hostess, Cleo Longnecker; Host, Don Bachelor; Custodian, Don Oldenburg.

Section V—Freshman: Supervisor, Betty Aschenbrenner; Host, William Russell; Hostess, Audrey Lathrup; Custodian, Charles Miles.

Section VI—Freshman: Supervisor, Marjorie White; Hostess, Betty Davis; Host, Russell Smith; Custodian, John Hunt.

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### Gradé News

John Christy has returned from California and has enrolled in Farmington kindergarten.

All grades are having valentine parties Friday, with exchanging of cards and refreshments. The third grade valentine box is a departure from the usual type; it is in the form of a castle.

Miss Starr, a first grader, has been absent four weeks. It is now in Ford Hospital and is showing a speedy recovery, by all his class mates.

Guess what? A tin pan orchestra has been started by the third graders, composed of such instruments as, combs, sporks, mouth organs, jars, pencils, chalk boxes, coil springs, and nails. Yours truly has had the pleasure of hearing this orchestra, and it surely has possibilities. Miss Audrey Vivier is the excellent little director.

A book club has been organized in the fourth grade, for which the following officers have been elected: President, Dick Marindale; Secretary, Velma Goers; and Treasurer, Edward Brad. The laws they voted are: 1. Pay one cent a day for books overdue after a week. 2. Take good care of the books.

Good Citizenship Club is tops in the minds of the first graders. The president is Ebrilge Dunkel; first vice-president, Peggy Labadie; and second vice-president, Charles Wells. The motto is the Golden Rule.

Fifth grade boys have organized a tiny football team to play against the sixth grade. The captains are Martin Olschansky and Walter Rush. The first game played was won by the fifth grade.

750 Christmas seals were sold by the third graders. They won an indoor baseball for being the best salesmen.

### First Aid to Skippers

A student who intentionally misses his regular eighth hour activities just once will be assigned to the Skippers' Club, which meets on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays with Mr. Griffith. If he misses the Skippers' Club, it will be necessary for his parents to appear in school to reinstate him.

The faculty feel that shirking group and individual responsibilities is unfair to the majority of students who stay the eighth period, and will enforce this regulation strongly.

If it is necessary for any student to leave the eighth hour he should make arrangements during noon hour with Mr. Ayres.

### Senior Pictures to Be Taken Feb. 13

February 13, the Senior class held a meeting to determine by what studio they were going to have their pictures taken.

Three men attended the meeting, each representing a different studio. Craine, Powell and Camp studios were represented. Each student talked to the class for about twenty minutes, explaining and showing different pictures and frames. The class then voted in favor of Craine studios.

Thursday, February 12, the photographers will be at the school to take the seniors' pictures.

### "I'm Going—Are You?"

This question has been asked and answered during this week by the students in high school. Where are we going? We are going to the basketball game Friday, February 14, between Clarkston and Farmington, which will be played here at Farmington.

The student council made tickets to sell throughout the week, and "badges" have been given with each ticket so each student can show that he is going to support his team.

We expect every student and teacher who can possibly attend to be in our cheering section.

### Junior High Wins Three Out of Four Games

The Junior High has a good basketball record. They have been defeated only one out of five games. There have been only two boys ineligible to play basketball this season. The boys are required to have a "C" average to be eligible.

### Keego Girls Swamp F.H.S. by 30-8 Score

Suffering one of the worst defeats of the season, the F.H.S. girls' team bowed down to the Keego girls by a score of 30 to 8. The Keego girls went down the floor to score point after point.

The starting lineup was: E. Plak, F. (2); L. Boyce, F.

K. Schram, F. (1); D. Goers, G. A. Hupert, G. B. Lundberg, G.

Substitutions were: S. Fredericks, F. (2)—for Schram; E. Baldwin, F. (2)—for Boyce; M. Leach, G.—for Hupert.

### January Winners Announced by Club

The Photography Club's monthly contest for January came to a close and the final winners were picked. Results are as follows:

- 1st Place—Charles Larson, 5 points.
- 2nd Place—Richard Cohl, 4 points.
- 3rd Place—Floyd Garchov, 3 points.
- 4th Place—George Devroy, 2 points.
- 5th Place—Orville Zylstra, 1 point.

At their meeting Wednesday afternoon they saw a moving picture telling the story of how a roll of film is made and how a camera works. The film was loaned to Mr. Tooker by the Eastman Kodak Co.

### Classroom Notes

A ping-pong table that the shop class has just finished is now being used during the noon-hours.

The freshmen will hold a Kay Kyser program in the high school gym on February 19. This program will probably be held in the afternoon. All the talent for the program comes voluntarily from the freshman class.

Miss Dammon's Sophomore English class is now dramatizing plays. Miss Budde's Sophomore English classes are making charts for the story of Silas Marner.

Last week some very good themes were handed into Miss Budde by her Junior English

classes, some of which may appear in the book; the Writers' Club is planning to publish in the spring.

### BILL TO MAKE ARMISTICE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY INTRODUCED

Although Armistice Day has been established as a national holiday, it has never applied legally to Michigan schools.

Representatives Walsh and Buckley have introduced a bill to the legislature to make Armistice Day a school holiday.

### Seniors Score Sell-Out On Annual Prom

Seniors of Farmington High will try anything once. Saturday night they put on the Senior Prom, the biggest dance of the year, in a way different from any used before. It was such a success that all the tickets were sold, and they were turning people away all evening. In fact there were only two tables left Thursday afternoon. Your tables had to be reserved early or you were just out of luck.

With the help of Mr. Saehider and members of the shop classes, the seniors had a little white fence two and a half feet high built, which closed in the dance floor except for archways covered with paper flowers. On the outside of the fence were seventy tables, which would seat one hundred and forty couples.

Everything was so detail; if you entered you presented your ticket to Ray Goers, who gave you your stub, which entitled you to refreshments. After checking your ticket, Charles Larson showed you your table, where any number of waiters were only too glad to serve you.

Blue and white streamers were the background for the band stand,

where Bobby Ahlers and his five-piece orchestra supplied the music for the evening.

During intermission ice cream and cookies were served. Shortly after this the Grand March was held. It was led by the president, of the senior class, George Brykalski.

Tickets sold for a dollar twenty five a couple. The money made from this dance will be used to carry on the senior activities for the rest of the year.

### Pep Meeting Held At Gymnasium

Over three hundred students were urged to put their full support behind the basketball team for the next month, during a pep meeting held fifth hour Thursday in the gym. Ed Barrons, president of the Student Council, conducted the meeting.

A program is being carried out to get every student to attend the basketball game Friday. Tickets have been on sale every day and badges are being handed

out with the tickets, to wear on their coats. The badges are a new idea that the Student Council is trying to try out at this game.

With strong support behind the boys, they will have a good mental outlook, which will enable them to play their best in the tournaments which are to be held here March 6, 7 and 8.

Mr. Ayres explained how it would hurt us financially as well as our school morale, if we did not give our support. He said, "Basketball takes in enough money to cover what we lose in football." It is believed that if the 'whole school gets behind this project that it will help all future projects.

### "MUSKIE LAKE" PRODUCES

Two four-foot long muskellunge, weighing 32½ and 37 pounds, appeared in the same week on Brevort lake, are helping maintain the lake's reputation as a producer of the "fresh water tiger fish." Brevort lake is the only lake in the eastern part of the upper peninsula containing muskies.

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