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EDITORIAL

AMERICA CAN BE DEFENDED

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Let us look at the air corps as the next defense measure in our list. Aviation plays a very important part with the navy. For example, say we foresee an air attack; we can immediately prepare to meet our enemy at sea so not one bomb will be dropped on our soil. To do this we would need airplane carriers at sea so we would be able to land and refuel or get more ammunition if necessary. The navy could be helpful also in warding off enemy planes by anti-aircraft guns which are found on most of our navy boats today. I believe that we should build our air force on the plan of good quality, not quantity. It is this because what good are a lot of inexperienced men in the cockpit of an airplane compared to a few men who are professionals at flying in fewer planes? If we go by the latter standard, we should not just go ahead and start rapid production of unsubstantiated fighters, but build a good type of aircraft, and make every pilot an expert equipped well with all the up-to-date fighting weapons. These things more than anything else will strengthen our air corps to the quality we need.

The next defense measure to come up for discussion is the army training program we now have. We should very easily and quickly build up a strong and powerful army. With each year required to have a year's training and the fact is proved that nowadays a soldier can learn as much in three months as the old soldiers used to learn in a year. I again contemplate a very prominent part to look toward our army in the future. The reason is obvious.

Dramatics Class Changes Cast of Their Play

A few changes have been made in the cast of "When a Man's Sixteen," a benefit performance play, to be presented by the Dramatics class May 22.

These changes were made because practice conflicts with necessary outdoor activities.

The changes are as follows: Miss Gunther, Lynn Sealey; Mrs. Sweeney, Bernice Lumber; Mrs. Ratchbone, Charlotte King; Mrs. Landers, Robert Carlson; Red Barry, Max Rowe; Shirley, Shirley Lake.

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HIGH SCHOOL TRACK MEET HELD MONDAY, MAY 12

Farmington High School sponsored an intramural track meet on Monday, May 12, for all the boys and girls in school who are not out for sports.

The events in the track meet were as follows: 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash, mile run, chinning, baseball throw, broad jump, and high jump.

The first four places in each event were given a ribbon.

The winners in the events were as follows: 50 Yard Dash—first, W. Wilds; second, J. Kellogg; third, R. Trapp; fourth, T. Burnham.

100 Yard Dash—first, D. Sullivan; second, W. Wilds; third, M. Pieron; fourth, R. Trapp.

Mile Run—first, R. Miller; second, R. Trapp; third, C. Hanson; fourth, T. Black.

Chinning—first, R. Howard; second, G. Devroy; third, J. Edgar; fourth, H. Pasco.

Baseball Throw—first, R. Miller; second, G. Devroy; third, D. Sullivan; fourth, R. Trapp.

Broad Jump—first, D. Sullivan; second, G. Devroy; third, R. Howard; fourth, W. Wilds.

High Jump—first, G. Devroy; second, G. Joyal; third, C. Griffin; fourth, R. Harbard.

The girls took part in four events, the winners being: 50 Yard Dash—first, Shirley Roque; second, Bernice Lumber; third, June Esh; fourth, Edith Kargetta.

50 Yd. Skip Jump—first, Bernice Lumber; second, Edith Kargetta; third, Shirley Roque; fourth, Dorothy Gustafson.

Basketball Throw—first, Katherine Schram; second, Shirley Lake; third, Susan Slocum; fourth, Edith Kargetta.

Broad Jump—first, Bernice Lumber; second, Eileen Baldwin; third, Shirley Roque; fourth, Sue Slocum.

School Calendar

Friday, May 16—Baseball. Milford, three. Evening, Student Council dance.

Saturday, May 17—Regional track meet at Ypsilanti.

Monday, May 19—Chemistry and Physics trip to Ford Plant.

Tuesday, May 21—Track.

Thursday, May 22—Evening benefit play by Dramatics Class.

Friday, May 23—Baseball. Walled Lake here.

Tuesday, May 27—League band festival. Concert at Milford in evening.

Thursday, May 29—League track meet and baseball games. Afternoon only. Students who have purchased tickets in advance will be seated.

May 30—No school. Memorial Day. Parade at 10:00.

Sunday, June 1—Baccalaureate address.

Monday, June 2—Examinations start in afternoon. Baseball game at Redford Union.

Tuesday, June 3—Examinations.

Wednesday, June 4—Examinations.

Thursday, June 5—Commencement exercises.

Friday, June 6—Report cards at 10:00.

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Grade News

There were many mothers who received some very unique Mother's day cards from their sons and daughters in grade school. Every grade made cards and wrote poetry on the back of them, then presented them to their mothers Sunday.

The second grade has just completed the fifth unit of the semester and plan to start the sixth. Speaking of books, Lois Somer won the book reading contest with the high total of 14 books read since the beginning of the contest.

Nine students in the third grade have subscribed for the "Weekly Reader" and will be getting their books all summer. The third grade is making butterfly booklets and will call them "Round About."

Poppy posters are not the dominating feature about the fourth grade extra work activities. They are making very attractive marionettes and plan to have a program. Methods of fishing are being discussed and they hope to get some varieties of fish when they visit the zoo.

Some fifth graders are doing

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MILFORD TO BE HOST FOR BAND FESTIVAL MAY 27

Playing in the third annual band festival of the Southwestern Oakland County league are eight high school bands.

A representative group of directors met at Milford in April and approved the following plans.

The festival will take place at Ford Park, Milford, Michigan, on Tuesday, May 27. If it rains, the whole program will be given in the high school gym.

The bands participating will be from Brighton, Clarkston, Farmington, Holly, Milford, Northville, Redford Union, and Walled Lake. It was agreed to invite Northville and Redford Union since these schools have joined the league for the coming year. Words were received from Keego Harbor that its band will not play.

There will be judges from the different college bands who will make suggestions concerning improvement.

The bands will arrive in Milford at 2 p. m. At 2:30 there will be a massed band rehearsal. At 6:30 there will be a parade with food, band, and other drawing for position. The festival will end with a concert of individual bands and massed band.

Each band will have a time limit of 15 minutes, during which it will play one march and one overture which has been chosen in advance.

The massed band music will be the following selections: Concert March, Normal Bennett, March of Youth, Olivado's March, arrangement by and for Yoder (published by Starline and Morris Inc.), and The Star Spangled Banner, arrangement by Hayes.

Snatches From Classes

Letters from foreign correspondents have been received by Dorothy Gustafson and Kathleen Roberts. The letters were from Cuba and Hawaii.

All of Miss Budde's students have been giving oral and written book reports during the last week.

American history classes have been giving oral reports on men, battles and sideights of the World War.

In all classes this week the importance of being present daily was announced and semester reviews were suggested.

Miss Dammon's sophomore English classes have been giving book reports.

Home Economics classes have been doing outside work on their semester projects.

Miss Dammon's guidance class has been discussing vocations and the jobs open at present time to girls.

Miss Dammon's guidance groups have been studying personality. It was emphasized that a charming personality could be acquired through consistent practice and that it was not inherited.

Miss Budde's guidance class this week was shown slides of upper Michigan.

Errors Prove Costly To Blue and White

Farmington high school baseball team was defeated for the first time this season by Keego Harbor by a score of 6 to 5 on May 9 at the Keego Harbor field.

Martindale and Werschin shared the mound duties for Farmington with Martindale giving up only two hits, but during his pitching there were five errors made which made the four runs right.

Werschin started pitching for Farmington and allowed only one hit during the rest of the game. There were three errors made while he pitched, which resulted in two more runs for Keego Harbor.

Felt, who pitched for Keego, gave up nine hits to Farmington. There were only four errors made by his teammates.

Werschin led the Farmington hitters with a triple and a single.

Farmington	9	5	5
Keego Harbor	3	6	4

Literary Department

God Bless My Country

God bless my country; Watch over her day and night; Protect her with thy loving arms; And keep her from all harm; Let no harm befall her; And make her brave and true; Then when, with banners flying, she comes through, My will say, God blessed America! And thank you, God, thank you.

—Ruth Wycoff

Bad Weather Reduces Trappers Pelts Total

Lower peninsula beaver and other trappers hampered by unfavorable weather, took only about half as many pelts this year as last, but higher prices and some large upper peninsula catches not yet finally tabulated are expected to bring the total account even with 1940's.

Conservation officers report sealing 1,747 and 81 other pelts in lower Michigan this year, as compared with 2,416 beaver and 132 other pelts sealed last season.

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Gutthroat Trout Provide Lively Fishing at Mio

Novelty early season trout fishing this year is furnished by O'Brien lake of Aconis county, near Mio, where a planting of 2,500 black spotted or gutthroat trout is providing some limited but lively angling.

These gutthroat trout, as fry, once swam in Detroit's Belle Isle aquarium. After being reared from the fry stage to nine months of age by the conservation department, they were planted in O'Brien lake last fall.

Outthroats are close relatives of the rainbows, with which they will hybridize. A trout of western, high-altitude waters, they seldom grow as fast or as large here as do the native Michigan species.

Do Not Kidnap Pawns of Cubs, Foresters Warn

For the little creatures' own sake, leave fawn deer and bear cubs, now beginning to appear in northern Michigan woods, in their woodland home, even though they appear to be orphaned, the conservation department reminds the public.

Each spring some persons pick up fawns and cubs, thinking they have strayed from their mothers, and take them home to care for them. Although they may be out of sight, the mother deer and bear never go far from their young and always return to them, conservation officers say.

HOW IS THE POPPY MONEY EXPENDED?

The largest percentage of the money contributed for the poppies remains in the community where it is raised, going into the welfare funds of the local Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit. This money is used for relief and welfare work among the local disabled veterans, their families and families of deceased veterans, and constitutes the principal financial support for this work. Part of the money, varying

USE OF STOCKPILE COAL CAUSES FIRE HAZARD

A higher forest fire hazard resulting from use of stockpile coal in locomotives is one consequence of the national coal strike of which the effects will continue for another week in Michigan. D. F. Weir, conservation department railway fire prevention officer, reports.

When their regular coal stocks were depleted by the strike, railroads began firing their locomotives with coal ordinarily used only for stationary boilers. This coal is lighter, and sparks from it go through locomotive spark arresters as do wood chips.

Where last year railway caused fires were held at 26, there were 15 in April alone this year, along the western side of the lower peninsula. All but two of them, however, burned less than an acre each.

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