

THE BLUE AND WHITE

"WE ARE AT WAR"

You are probably saying to yourself, "I know it, so what?" But, do you really and truly know it? Perhaps at the present time you are annoyed at a few minor inconveniences but it's more of a novelty than anything else.

Take for instance, the air raid drill that was held at the high school the other day. Did you view it in the serious light in which it was meant or did you merely consider it a lark, a relief from the monotony of the everyday school routine?

As was said before, we are at war mentally, physically, morally, spiritually, and every other way possible.

We were not attacked at Pearl Harbor because we were inadequately prepared militarily, but we were not mentally attuned. We knew a war was going on, and we had a fair idea that it was inevitable that we should enter, but we thought it was up to us, the American nation, to decide when we should enter; the idea of invasion was furthest from our mind.

To blame any person or persons for the Pearl Harbor "lesson" is a recrimination, the blame of the American nation as a whole, because you are honest, it is foolishly to leave your door unlocked or the keys in your automobile.

That is the attitude of the people of our country today. Because we don't believe in warring or invading other countries, we think every other nation has the same outlook.

We must take all the war measures and training we receive in the same seriousness in which they are given. This is especially true of the people who live in or around industrial centers.

The fact that the oceans are getting smaller and smaller is being brought home to us more forcibly every day. So we can realize the fact that invasion of our shores is possible even if not probable. Also in the event of an invasion the full power of our vital industrial center and immediate vicinity.

It's a well known fact that Detroit is the nucleus of our nation's industrial organization and also the third or fourth largest city in the United States; therefore no precaution we can take will be too elaborate or redundant.

Preparation after disaster (it's the medicine after death—it's too late).

Another thing we must overcome is our gullibility or credulity for printed or oral news reports and rumors. We should be skeptical of every radio and newspaper account of the news unless they have been recognized as official or authentic. And even in that case we should be extremely careful in voicing our thoughts.

At times something unusual does happen, and we are either too excited or too complacent to do much about it. Therefore we must strike a median through calm and logical thinking. We must stabilize ourselves in order that we may let common sense and cool judgment defeat the mob violence which has been the cause of so many of our misadventures.

Light, let us face it, not go around sticking our heads in the ground like an ostrich.

George Washington, one of the greatest and wisest men the world has ever known, once said, "To be prepared for war is one of the most effective means of preserving peace."

We all know that war is a sleepless cycle. Man struggles and strives for peace and advancement only to be retarded by war. It may be possible in some far Utopian period for man to live at peace with himself, but until that time we must all prepare for the inevitable.

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CLASS INSTRUCTOR.....

21 PER CENT OF HIGH SCHOOL ON HONOR ROLL

A remarkably good scholarship record for the first semester has been set by students in the upper four grades. Twenty one per cent of the entire enrollment in the honor roll and only ten per cent of the entire enrollment have an average of "B" or better.

Freshmen—Zae AschenBrenner, Betty Clab ru, Doris Colebank, Rosealene Cox, Allen Dunclel, Joych Godes, Lois Gode, Zonna Lindberg, Charles Lockert, Robert Lundberg, Joyce Lussenden, Harold McKaye, Kathleen Morris, Mildred Nebus, Shirley Overmyer, Elmer Paschke, Jean Power, Marlon Rowlands, Joyce Samuelson, Elna Sills, Mary Thelen, Harold Thomp, Marlon Vanderburg, Geraldine Whitford, Clyde Yokum, and Pat Young.

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Juniors—Christine Bleckig, Carmela Broncacone, Betty Brooks, Joyce Brown, Doris Campbell, Alice Griffin, Adeline Hez, Doris Hill, Berice Lundberg, Doris May, Irene Morris, Edith Parker, John Rackow, Virginia Redding, Dave Sullivan, Vivian Terry, and Alfred Wallbank.

Seniors—Irene Brykalak, Mary Corie Collins, Dorothy Gode, Elna Gode, Bob Gullen, Eileen Gunning, Margaret Haggard, Robert Ham, Mary Hansen, Bill Holmes, Annabelle Hupert, Donna Kahrl, Art MacCulloch, Margaret Miles, Judith Oates, Hugo Pascoe, Doris Rose, Jack Samuelson, Lydia Searle, Eric Shoemaker, Ruth Tilley, and Annie Wells.

E. G.

Photography Club To Begin Developing

Upon receiving the materials, needed to further their activities, the Photography Club will now start developing and printing. Because they have both the materials and facilities.

Art MacCulloch

Friday's Pep Meeting Proves Successful

For the first time in the history of Farmington High School admission had to be paid to attend a pep meeting. The price of the admission was one ticket to the Farmington-Keego Harbor basketball game. The pep meeting was held Friday afternoon before the game. It also was a little unusual, for instead of having the coaches and the captain speak, three boys gave the address. The school and the principal and a captain would say. The meeting was very successful.

Bob Erwin

Grade School Band Started

The grade school is starting a band of its own with the better players of the beginning band at the grade school people who play in the high school band as members. This band is to have one practice a week. Their first rehearsal was held last Friday.

The grade school has added twenty new records to its collection used for music application.

Girls Play Best Game Of The Season

Our girls' basketball team is steadily improving as was shown Friday night when they played against Milford in their best game of this season.

The first team won by a score of 16-5 and the second team by a score of 22-4. Good playing was shown by all.

LOCAL CAGERS GAIN DECISION OVER KEEGO

Farmington High School's basketball squad's string of consecutive Friday evening wins when they defeated Keego Harbor in one of the most strange and exciting ball games played this year. Although the final score was 23 to 23, that doesn't tell the whole story. When the game ended, the crowd erupted into a whirl of excitement. The overtime period, and the outcome was decided on a percentage basis of fouls shot attempted and completed, and field goals. When the final average were computed, Keego was awarded the victory by a point. All this happened Friday night, but because of the alertness of Coaches Bob Hutton and Paul Shoemaker other things were in store. While looking over the rule book, they noticed that there had been an error in the scoring. They telephoned the referee and had him check his books also! He saw the mistake and changed the decision, awarding the game to Farmington by a point advantage—making the final score 24 for the home boys led by 23 for the visitors.

During the first half Farmington's defense worked almost flawlessly. Keego being able to obtain only 5 points, while Coach Bob Hutton's boys were swishing them for 12. Going into the third quarter, Farmington had an 8 point lead. A Keego rally cut this short, but before the quarter ended, the boys in blue and white had built the lead back up to a 4 basket advantage.

Entering the last quarter with an 8 point lead, it looked as if Farmington would easily take the game, thereby defeating Keego Harbor for the first time in 5 years. But there was a real twist to the game before the final whistle was blown. Keego's Halahel started the final quarter with two foul shots. The "burnabout" started the Farmington boys and before they could calm down, Keego had swept by and into the lead. At this portion of the game Coach Bob Hutton sent in Edgar and they seemed to slow things up in time for the youngsters to sink a last minute basket, tying the score. Before either team could score another point, the game ended and as heretofore explained Keego was first awarded the game but after a while victory was reverted back to Farmington.

Farmington's Jim Youngblood and Keego's Larsen divided high honors with 10, followed by Halahel of Keego with 8.

By defeating Keego, Farmington assumes complete control of the league lead, and if they can defeat Clarkston, Warren, Lake and Milford they have done once this season—they can claim the title.

Charlie Sullivan

Eleven Twirlers Perform At Game

Those who attended the basketball game last Friday night between Farmington and Keego Harbor saw an unusual exhibition. The band featured eleven twirlers from the grade, school who, for their tender years, did real justice to those batons. The twirlers who took part were Barbara Jones, Audrey Winter, Silvia Lindall, Helen Fourrier, Lois Gattley, Ann Jartindale, Jean Martindale, Fay Smith, Carol Joy, Geraldine Fyfoot, and Louise Smith. This is the first basketball game at which the band has played.

STUDENTS GAIN INSIGHT OF LINCOLN'S LIFE

The student body of Farmington High School was exceptionally fortunate to have the opportunity of seeing and hearing Mr. and Mrs. Parsons in a Lincoln Day program held in the High School Auditorium on Wednesday morning.

The program was presented in two episodes. The first one took place in Lincoln's law office in Illinois before he became President.

In this scene he was understood to defend Howard Jeffries for the murder of Robert Underwood. The second scene took place in a warehouse hospital in Washington, D. C. the day after Lincoln's Gettysburg address and Lincoln was shown conversing with a Confederate Captain.

The program was very interesting and enlightening and revealed both the serious and humorous sides of Lincoln's character.

Bob Erwin

Second Team Loses By One Point

In the opening contest Farmington's second team was cheated out of a victory by a Keego basket. In the last 15 seconds of play, with a quarter of a minute to go and one point behind, Keego took a jump ball at one end of the court and went to the other end to score a basket, tying out a 22 to 22 victory. Although his team was beaten, the outstanding player of the second team, Rennie Isach, who ran circles around his much larger opponents and garnered 6 points. Hamlin of Farmington captured high point honors with 8, followed by Bacon. Martindale led Keego Harbor with 5.

This week's game on Friday, February 6, will be played at Clarkston, when the Farmington boys will attempt to extend their streak at the expense of the Clarkston five, the tip-off of the first game being at 7:30 p. m.

Charlie Sullivan

Juniors Choose Comedy

The class of 1942 have chosen a comedy for their Junior Play this year. The name of the play is "The Joy of Living," written by Dorothy and Herbert Fields, and will be under the direction of Miss Steele.

L. Trickey

Benefit Dance Draws Small Crowd

The second in a series of Saturday night Student Council record dances was held Saturday, January 31. On account of illness, very small attendance at the dance will be added to the fund for the President's drive against infantile Paralysis.

Jack Simpson

Fifth Grade Extends Sympathy

The fifth graders are very sorry to hear that their teacher, Mrs. Grossman, is ill; and they all hope she will be back soon. Mrs. Grossman has been absent several days.

F. S.

Sixth Grade Learns To Care For Teeth

In health the sixth graders are studying on "The Care of the Teeth." They have had a very interesting discussion, and reports have been given about the tooth. They have been drawing pictures of the tooth and the parts of the tooth. Improvement in his teeth by brushing them every day.

F. S.

"THUMBNAIL BIOGRAPHIES"

Virginia Brown: Nickname—Glynnyell; birthplace—Muncie, Indiana; age—18; years at Farmington—1; hobby—collecting match folders; ambition—to make a success of life; favorite romance—Pollyanna.

William Callan: Nickname—Ed; birthplace—Toronto, Canada; age—20; ambition—something to do with athletics; years at Farmington—2; hobby—hunting; activities—baseball, football, basketball 3.

William Carpenter: Nickname—Bill; birthplace—Detroit; age—16; years at Farmington—10; ambition—metallurgist; hobby—crow hunting; activities—Archery Club 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Leo Caultillo: Nickname—Leo Paul; birthplace—Farmington, Michigan; age—17; years at Farmington—4; ambition—to be a rich drummer; hobby—drumming; activities—Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Camera Club 2, Dramatic Club 2, J-Op Conductor, Junior Play.

Elaine Champey: Nickname—Elaine; birthplace—Rapid City, Michigan; age—17; years at Farmington—3; hobby—cooking; ambition—aviatrix.

Girls Team Defeats Keego Union

Getting into practice for the game to come, the Farmington girls' team played Redford Union in a scrimmage game here on Wednesday afternoon. The first team won by a score of 13 to 12. Let's hope they do as well in their future games.

The second team was defeated. An interesting point of this game was that girls on either team did the refereeing.

BOY SCOUTS' RANKS GROWING



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BOY SCOUT WEEK

February 6-12

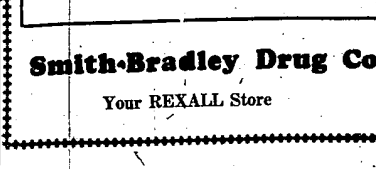
The above poster in colors, now being displayed all over the country, announces Boy Scout Week with the slogan "Strong For America." Boy Scouts everywhere in the nation have taken on and are assuming extra assignments from Uncle Sam to do their part in the defense of America. Boys 12 years of age and over who are not Scouts and who wish to share in winning the war by doing these "Good Turns" should get in touch with the nearest office of the Boy Scouts of America.

P.T.A. Organizes Discussion Groups

Mrs. Henry Colebank, chairman of the P.T.A. Committee on Adolescent Guidance, met with Miss Allison, Miss Dammon and Miss Steele Tuesday after school. Plans were made for organizing discussion groups among the parents of high school students in which general and representative, not individual situations might be brought up and ways suggested for helping these boys and girls to become more happily adjusted. One subject certain to be discussed is "Vocational Guidance"; another, "High School Spending Money is Enough?"

Variety Of Non-Fiction Added To Library

Several fields of interest are represented in the new group of non-fiction in the school library. There are books on leather working, art, costume, opera, adventure, humor, and homemaking. They are: "Fun With Leather," by Leeming; "A.B.C. of Aviation," by Page; "Costume Book," by Leeming; "Opera Cavalcade," by the Metropolitan Opera Company; "Book of Materials," by Hallderson; "The Art of Humor," and "American Housekeeping," by the New York Herald Tribune Institute.



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