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## The BLUE and WHITE

### DEBATERS START TOURNAMENTS

Four of the debaters in Farmington High Debate Club received their baptismal fire last Wednesday, December 6, while participating in the tournaments held at Royal Oak High School.

Each school in the league brought two teams, one affirmative and one negative, and every team had two debates with opponents chosen by drawing lots.

The proposition debated upon is the same throughout the year—Resolved: The legal voting age should be lowered to eighteen.

Farmington's affirmative team, Lorraine Miner and Bernice Calkins, fared better than the negative, by winning their debate against Van Dyke High and losing one to Royal Oak High. The negative team strove valiantly, but to no much avail, against Hazel Park High and U. of D. High. Their spirits were not too low after the judge of the U. of D. contest said that it was a very close decision right up to the end.

Winning or losing, the debaters feel that they have gained much from these debates and are looking forward to the next tournament debates on January 17.

—P.M.E.

### MORE HONORS PILE HIGH FOR F.H.S. ATHLETES

The Farmington Football team, wound up their season reaping all the glory they reserve. The Farmington Exchange Club is presenting them with a gold cup as they are the only undefeated team in their league. Hamlin, Tyler, Bacon, and Knight, four of the Falcon's varsity, were chosen by the coaches of their league for the All-State team. Elliot Tyler has been chosen as end on the All-State team. Honor Student Bob McLean, the fast little halfback who played many an outstanding game this season, was elected football captain for next year.

With these honors being bestowed upon the team, the citizens of Farmington can swell their chests with pride whenever the football team of "45" is mentioned.

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### FALCONS BREAK JINX IN BIRMINGHAM GAME

Conquering a two year jinx the Farmington Falcons downed the highly touted Birmingham basketball team last Friday. After two victorious preliminaries by Farmington's B and reserve team to the tune of 24 to 19 and 37 to 25, and the strains of the Star Spangled Banner as played by F. H. S. Band, the varsity game began at 8:15. Birmingham made the first basket within a minute and a half of play. Doc Aschenbrenner, the dynamic Falcon guard, then burst forth like a charge of dynamite and showered the hoop with three beautiful first goals.

Tyler and Bacon followed up with two more tallies, ending the quarter with a score of 10 to 3, favoring the Falcons. The second quarter proved the most exciting of the game. Everything ran smoothly at first, with the score piling up in Farmington's favor through the efforts of DeVriendt, Tyler, and Bacon. But with a minute and a half left to play a beautiful foot-ball tackle was executed by a member of Birmingham's team and in the ensuing pile-up, the portion of Doc Aschenbrenner's jersey were chipped, as his face hit the elbow of an opponent. The coaches jumped to their feet and engaged in a heated vocal argument as to the merits of such a play. Peace was eventually restored, and play resumed although the offensive strength remained at a high point. The half ended with Farmington leading 25 to 9. The remaining two quarters were not so eventful as the preceding play.

The score continued to rise on both sides as the Falcons showed they possessed that sixth sense, in the timing and aiming of their shots, so necessary for a winning team. Elliot Tyler, who gave an outstanding performance, was called out in the last quarter with five fouls on him. Carley, Ferguson, and McLean who substituted for Tyler, Hamlin, and Bacon, respectively, were able to hold down the hatch, leaving the Falcons with a lead of 45 to 25 as the final whistle blew.

### Pauline Early Heads Library Club

The Library club was organized again early this fall with the following officers as leaders: president, Pauline Early; vice-president, Janet Louys; secretary, Doris Colebank; and treasurer, Erva Silke. Their most recent special activity was a trip to the Detroit Public Library, where they observed a library system at work.

—D.C.

### High School Glee Club Will Sing Carols

On one of these wintry evenings before Christmas, the townspeople will be surprised by the sound of carols. The carolers will be members of the Farmington High School Glee Club. After making the rounds of the streets, they will assemble as a group in the square in front of the town hall to sing their repertoire.

—C.Y.

### High School Faculty To Be Entertained

The High School faculty will be invited to a Christmas dinner, sponsored by the Home Economics class IV. Completion of the plans has not been fully reached, but they are all well under way.

—C.Y.

### Bookworm Buzz

With a large junior high, the increasing number of freshmen and now pupils using the school library, Miss Abbott has been exceptionally busy. It has been her task to inform students on quick and effective use of reference material. Few realize the full extent of this work, but as individuals certainly regard her as a "friend in need."

—D.C.

Farm Mortgages  
The U. S. farm-mortgage debt was reduced by 650 million dollars during 1942 and 1943.

### STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS VISIT REDFORD UNION

One member from each class was chosen to represent the Farmington High Student Council at a Redford-Union conference there on December 5.

The representatives, Ernie Tyler, freshman; Mary Lou Dwyer, sophomore; Bob Miller, junior and Marion Rowland, senior, were accompanied by their adviser, Mr. Bates.

Both the dinner and the entertainment were excellent. The visitors enjoyed being shown around the school and picked up valuable suggestions for Student Council activities.

—P.E.

Bromine Content  
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### Thirty Five Make F.H.S. Honor Roll

An unusual number of Junior High students have a "B" or better average for this six weeks: Barbara Diehn, Marilyn Dyer, Jean Pagel, Florence Wallace, Jack Boyce, Herbert Deybel, Ruth Hamlin, Nan Jenney, Suzanne Labadie, Ann Plumton, Anna Marie Ruch, Dick Schrieber, Audrey Vivier, Stella Zarzycki, Ivar Anderson, Florence Banfield, Kay Beals, Bernice Dix, Betty Gerd, Velma Goers, Dorothy Howard, June Hunt, Katherine Kingsley, Fred McLean, Marion Moag, Barbara Putman, Dorothy Simon, Delores Wilks, Leonard Ferrante, Margaret Meas, Ruth McCarty, Evelyn Nichols, Florence Tammi, Dick Wheeler and Dick Matindale.

—E.S.

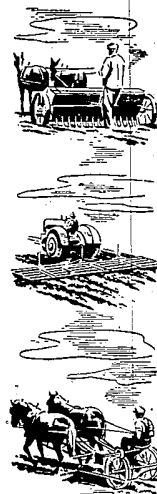
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