

A reading conference and dinner was held Tuesday, September 28, at the Farmington High Library and cafeteria.

Miss Gwen Horsman, supervisor of reading at the Detroit High School, talked on "Techniques of Teaching Reading in High Schools."

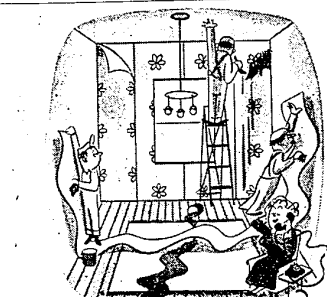
About 70 Farmington teachers from the high school and elementary grades attended.

Mrs. Bernice Veltner was planning chairman for the conference and dinner. Miss Virginia Carley assisted her.

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Figures Reveal 649 Enrolled This Year

There are 649 students enrolled in Farmington High this year. This count was taken on September 29 and is the latest one available.

The ninth and tenth grades each have 125 students enrolled. In the ninth grade there are 103 boys and 95 girls. In the tenth grade there are 110 boys and 88 girls.

The eleventh grade has 134 students with 75 boys and 59 girls. Grade 12 has the lowest enrollment with 119. This includes 66 boys and 63 girls.

Last year's enrollment at this time was 601. 48 students less than now. This year's increase is seven per cent.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, October 15 - Homecoming Game, Southfield at Farmington, 3:30 p.m. Homecoming Dance, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 19 - J. V. Football, Farmington at Southfield, 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 19 - P. T. A., 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 20 - G. A. A., 3:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 20 - Frish football, Southfield at Farmington, 4:00 p.m.

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Farmington High School News

Material for this column is prepared by members of the Farmington High School Journalism Class.

Best Singers Named To Falconnaires

The Falconnaires for 1954-55 have been chosen from the entire student body by Mr. William Felcht, new vocal music director. They are: soprano, Allison Gaidde; alto, Carlene Burdette; tenor, Robert Spalter.

Altos: Lois Ayres, Betty Lou Paris, Shirley Temple, Deanna White.
Tenors: Edward Barnum, Dan Burnett, Vincent Curcio, John Wilhelm.
Basses: Joe Forgette, Art Hamilton, George Janisse, Bill Landacre.

The select people form a special group who sing in the school concerts and also make guest appearances from time to time.

"Through The Years," "Grant U. Pease," "Once in Love With Any," and "Stars of the Summer Night" are the pieces now in rehearsal.

The Falconnaires meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays from 8 to 8:30 a.m.

Junior High Selects Members For Council

The Junior High has selected Student Council officers and representatives for the school year.

The winners were: president, Tom Grimshaw with runner up, Lige Jane Larch as vice-president; treasurer, Bill Brown; secretary, Margaret Hanson.

The Council representatives were also elected by the individual home rooms.

The representatives for the seventh grade are: Toni Banfield, Billy Smith, Judy Hyder, Ronald Novak, Joan Bielecki, Richard Lewis, Geraldine Loeffler, Harley Spalter, Marjorie Lam, Nikkie Lynch, Sandra Claus and Bill Smith.

Representatives for the eighth grade are: Clemens Grenke, Douglas Roberts, Judy Westfall, John Kolan, Evelyn Harris, Allen LeSage, Jean McBride, Gary Holmes, Robert Bieger, Stella Mather, Karen Robinson, Dale Wiloughby, Kathleen Farmer and Loren Lemon.

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High School Class Officers Selected

Students elected to class officers last week for the coming school year are as follows:

Seniors: Craig Rockefeller, president; Art Hamilton, vice-president; Beverly Peddle, secretary; Sally Vykdyal, treasurer.

Juniors: Bill Landacre, president; Jerry Plick, vice-president; Diane Franjak, secretary; Nick Spicer, treasurer.

Sophomores: Bob Hagstrom, president; Tom Kosty, vice-president; Alice Lancaster, secretary; Carol Reed, treasurer.

Freshmen: Dick Enquist, president; Cynthia Scully, vice-president; Betty Beckett, secretary; Bill Warner and Gayle Bates were tied for treasurer. A recount is in progress.

Homecoming Will Be Climaxed With Dance

Homecoming activities will be climaxed by a dance to be held Friday, October 15, from 8:00 - 11:30 p.m.

Queen Diane Paris will be presented with flowers during half-time ceremonies by Chuck Urquhart, co-captain.

The field will be decorated in Farmington and Southfield's colors, and there will be a canopy for the queen and her court in the stands.

The band will march at half-time and the queen and her court will be introduced to the audience.

The highlight of the dance will be the crowning of the queen by co-captain Jerry Rice. Decorations for the game and dance will be furnished and arranged by the seniors.

The committee for the dance will be made up of the Student Council representatives in each homeroom and members of their respective homerooms.

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Staff Members Named For School Paper

Staff members for the first semester for the Blue and White, the Farmington High School newspaper, have now been named.

Mr. Peel, Journalism instructor, announced that there will be page editors this year instead of one editor-in-chief for the entire paper.

These editors will be as follows: Page 1, Roy Doonan; Page 2 and Assignment Editor, Sylvia Gatzky; Page 3 and Sports Editor, Jon Schultz; Page 4 and Circulation Editor, Jerry Rice; Business Manager, Rudy Golla; and Copy Editors, Nadine Yanke and Cindy Hamilton.

All of the members of the Blue and White staff are new with the exception of Sylvia Gatzky, Rudy Golla and Jerry Rice, who were reporters the second semester of last year.

JUNIORS, SENIORS TO VISIT M. S. C.

Approximately 40 Juniors and Seniors will attend Michigan State College during visitation day, October 14.

The students will see a Basic College class and have luncheon in a dormitory. There will also be a question and answer period. Following this the students will then have an opportunity to tour the campus or confer with the professors of their choice.

Students planning to go will meet at the school at 7:30 a.m. School buses will transport them to and from Michigan State College.

Miss Virginia Carley, chief advisor, will accompany the students.

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Rehearsals Begin For Annual Senior Play

The first rehearsal for the senior play was Monday, October 11, in the gym at 7:00 p.m.

"Curtain Going Up", the name of the fall production, was picked by Mr. Raymond Sherpitis and a play reading committee.

The cast for the play was picked at a meeting Thursday, October 7, in the library by Mr. Sherpitis and the senior advisors.

Students chosen for parts in the play are as follows: Mary Lee Bryan, Diane Paris, Vivian Auger, Carol Long, Catherine Tessmer, Corry Costello, Joan Puckett, Beverly Westdahl, Sally Vykdyal, Shirley Jenkins, Shirley Temple, Jack Phelps, Jerry Rice, Dave Trombley, Art Hamilton, Ron Donaghue, Bob Byrne, and one not yet chosen.

The student directors and prompters are Gordon Harshfield, Wanda Menke and Bobette Langford.

The production is scheduled for November 13.

FRESH DANCE

Approximately 100 attended the Freshman closed dance, "Lollipop Hop", October 9 in the gym. Cider and doughnuts were served.

The decorations were multi-colored crepe paper streamers hung from the baskets. Large paper lollipop-pops were scotch taped on the walls.

Entertainment consisted of an accordion solo by Dick Cairns. He played "Glow Worm", "Lady of Spain", and as an encore "Beer Barrel Polka". Dick Kingsley played two clarinet solos; and Linda Clarke played a piano solo.

A dance band played the school song and a five number that students danced to.

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