

SPECIAL EDITION OF SCHOOL PAPER WILL BE ISSUED

Last Regular Issue Printed This Week; "Yearly Review" To Be Ready Monday

This week's edition of the Enterprise contains the last regular issue of "The Latch-Key," edited by the Journalism Class of Farmington High School, until next year. Thirty-eight issues of the school paper within the Enterprise columns have been produced.

The majority of the Latch-Key staff throughout the year have been girls, and the first picture ever printed in the school paper, appearing this week, is that of a girl, Helen Westfall. Miss Westfall was elected president of the student council for next year, the first girl to have been accorded this honor.

A special edition of "The Latch-Key," reviewing the year and containing pictures of student organizations, will be issued Monday evening, and distributed after the Commencement exercises have been concluded. Subscribers to the edition may obtain their copies at the door after the exercises, and others visiting copies may obtain them there also, or at the Enterprise after Monday evening.

Subscribers who do not obtain their copies after the Commencement program Monday night will receive them by mail or delivery Tuesday.

Golden Key Class Has Party For Teachers

The Golden Key Class concluded its year of activities Wednesday evening with a party for teachers of the Farmington high school of faculty who will not return next year. The party was held at the home of Mrs. A. R. Crawford.

The year's work has been an interesting one, with much attention directed toward the study of painting and other arts. The class voted to give \$75 to the Methodist Sunday School building fund.

Each of the teachers who are leaving received gifts at the party.

Mrs. H. Addis Leeson has been leader of the class during the year.

PALMER TOASTMASTER AT CITY CELEBRATION

Rev. Elmer W. Palmer of Farmington Baptist Church acted as toastmaster at a celebration at Stanton Baptist Church, Detroit, Monday evening. The occasion was the burning of a mortgage on the church property.

Rev. Palmer attended the Stanton Baptist Church in his boyhood and youth.

140 SOLD SINCE JAN. 1

Numerous sales within the past few days have brought the total of Hudson and Essex cars sold by Lake Drive Garage, Farmington agency, to 140 since January 1, according to Carl A. Pope, sales manager. Demand for the cars has been ahead of the production ever since the latest models were announced, Mr. Pope states.

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PARKING LOT COMPLETED

Parking conditions in the Farmington business section, particularly along Grand River avenue, are expected to be much improved by the completion of a parking lot for businessmen's cars, in the rear of the police booth.

The lot has been levelled with application of gravel in old spots, and provides space for a good number of cars.

Large Attendance At Edison Demonstration

A large attendance of women of Farmington and vicinity disclosed keen interest in electric cooking, at two demonstrations arranged by the Detroit Edison Company Monday and Tuesday afternoons. The demonstrations took place at the Edison company office.

Seven attendance awards were given. On Monday afternoon an Everhot heater and jug were won by Mrs. Earl Ransier, a toaster by Mrs. A. G. Leonard and iron by Mrs. H. Habermehl, a cake by Mrs. Frank Holmes, a roast by Mrs. Addie Pierson, applause by Mrs. Fred Goers, and carrots by Mrs. Thatcher.

On Tuesday afternoon similar awards went to Mrs. Carl Pope, Mrs. Gerald Gardner, Mrs. Frank Holmes, Mrs. G. W. Hendryx, Mrs. Leo Hendryx, Mrs. Vandenberg and Mrs. Bedberg.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Andrews, Miss Merlah Andrews and Miss Ruth Schroeder spent the week end motoring to the Irish Hills and southern Michigan.

The rolling stone gathers no moss, but at all events it isn't a tombstone.

Baccalaureate To Be Held Sunday Evening

Baccalaureate services will be held in Farmington Methodist Church Sunday evening, other churches omitting their services.

A combined choir of 50 voices from the Evangelical, Baptist and Methodist Churches under the direction of Mr. Arthur Apple of Detroit, will provide music.

Processional, Miss Baker. Chorus, Combined Choir. Hymn, Congregation.

Prayer, Rev. E. W. Palmer. Anthem, Combined Choir. Scripture Reading, Rev. Leeson. Announcements, Offering.

Offertory Solo, Miss Richardson. Hymn, Congregation.

Solo, Miss Brider. Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. A. A. Schoen.

Selected, M. E. Quartette. Benediction, Rev. Leeson.

A man whose heart is in his boots naturally hesitates to put his foot down.

City Water Declared

Pure By State Head

Farmington municipal water supply has again been pure and healthful. City Clerk N. H. Power has received a letter from Edward D. Rich, director of the Michigan Department of Health, attesting to the safety of Farmington water for drinking purposes.

According to the letter from Mr. Rich, a test was made by R. J. Van Vleck, and no evidence of contamination was discovered.

"Red Schoolhouse" Was Not All As Described

(Continued from page one)

In Farmington many years ago. Through these reminiscences it is possible, however, to understand how Miss Hayes holds the opinion that those little red buildings so often referred to by orators in reality left much to be desired.

The "Red-Hot" Stove

The Farmington Union School, Miss Hayes said she had never been able to find out why it was called that, was, in Miss Hayes' opinion "The most unattractive building on the inside, that I have ever seen." Its walls were bare and dingy. It was heated by stoves, and I remember that on the real cold days, it was necessary to keep the stoves re-hot in order that those farthest away might not freeze. As I sit nearest the stove, I remember that I was always warm enough.

The smoke outlets of the stoves, Miss Hayes said, were long chimney-pipes that ran for some distance across the room. Occasionally these would become filled with soot, and when the pipes were loose the room would be filled with soot. On at least one occasion it was necessary to dismiss the school and send the children home, because of the soot-filled atmosphere. On another day when the stove was going full-blast, one of the boys put red peppers upon it, and all the pupils were allowed to go home. School was ended for that day.

"Passing the Water"

One of the ceremonies that Miss J. Hayes recalls vividly was "passing the water." There was no water in the school building, and it was carried in from a well outside. One of the pupils would

take the bucket and dipper and go to the head of each aisle. The dipper of water would be passed from pupil to pupil for each to take a drink as it went along. Miss Hayes recalled that the girls who were more fastidious used to try to turn the dipper around and drink from a spot on the rim which had not been touched by others—but that they usually failed.

As far as scholastic work was on a par with the surroundings, Miss Hayes said. There were no classes—only "readers." One went from the first "reader" to the second, and so on. If one was in the fourth "reader" and showed that he or she could read in the next one, that pupil was promoted, regardless of other abilities or knowledge. Subjects were limited and instruction was restricted by lack of training of the teachers. Methods now taught at and considered intolerable were highly esteemed.

The subjects that were on the curriculum were selected and taught without any regard for their relation to life, or consideration as to whether the pupil would find them useful after leaving school. An example of this was the study of fractions with denominators running up into the thousands.

"The First Diploma"

Miss Hayes contended, and proved to satisfaction, that she received the first diploma ever awarded in Farmington schools. This has apparently been a moot question among pupils of early days, for a long time.

Miss Hayes related that she was a member of a "graduating class"—and the only member. The board of education then in power was "on an economy program," and when the subject of

a diploma for "Jenny" Hayes was broached, the majority vigorously opposed the expenditure. Miss Hayes said that she was in despair, until one day one of the minority on the board, who favored a diploma, hit upon the happy idea of writing to diploma houses for samples. The samples arrived in due course, and the graduating class of one was granted the first diploma ever presented to a Farmington school pupil. Apparently the diploma supply firm were kind enough to send them without names, for Miss Hayes said she had her choice of several.

Despite the fact that city schools offer a wide range of study however, and more attractive surroundings, Miss Hayes said, one thing she learned in the old Farmington Union Schools cannot be taught in the city. Around the latter place all is noise and bustle and all about the school are buildings, while she still remembers that as she walked down the aisle in the old Farmington school she used to look out the windows and see the creek winding through the fields nearby. The scene inspired in her a love of beauty in nature which even the most magnificent city school interior could not teach, Miss Hayes said.

NEW STATION MANAGER

Leland Schultz, formerly of Milan, assumed charge of the Standard Oil Company station on Grand River avenue in Farmington Monday morning, succeeding Charles Trickey, who has been placed in charge of the Novi station.

Mr. Schultz expects to "bring his family to Farmington to live within a short time."

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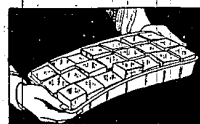
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