

POPPY DAY

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gratitude and patriotism burn so low."

—Howard M. Warner, Mayor.
Following is a short history and the meaning of the poppy to the war veterans, submitted by the American Legion:

In the year 1918 Spring came just as it has come this year. The grass and trees put on their green, flowers pushed up their heads, and

the world felt a rebirth of life and energy. But that year Spring had a different meaning. It meant that the vast armies which had been facing each other in entrenched lines in France and Belgium would open great Spring offensives. Instead of bringing renewed life, Spring in 1918 brought a renewal of wholesale death.

Newspapers told the story of the death and destruction during those Spring offensives. American soldiers, when they returned, preferred not to talk about it. They wanted to forget.

But one thing those who came back did want to talk about—one thing of beauty and tenderness they like to remember. That was the poppy.

Poppies grow wild in France and Belgium like daisies in this country. When almost every other form of life was blasted out by the continuous pounding of the massed cannon of both armies, poppies continued to grow along the battle front.

Today they grow over the graves of the dead, the only floral tribute of the men, young and old, who were killed.

For the 33,000 human wrecks who returned from the war to spend the rest of their lives in hospitals, the poppy has a strong meaning.

These are the men who make the poppies for others to wear on Poppy Day. Thus the little red flower that continued to grow amid the desolation of the great war in Spring, 1918, has become a symbol.

The wearing of the poppy is a tribute to the memory of the dead who believed they were fighting for perpetual peace, and a service to the unfortunate living.

Miss Louise Perry spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey W. Perry.

Farmington High School News

(Edited by the Journalism Class)

Baseball Team Loses Opener By Close Score

Farmington's opening baseball game Friday may be considered the first of the season, opening—both lost. But there is one essential difference. Boosters of the Tigers are definitely gloom about the season's prospects. Farmington fans, however, point to the wealth of material that has turned out for this year's nine and are more than optimistic regarding the rest of the season.

Holly scored out the Blue and White by a score of 9 to 8. Scoring three runs in the first inning and another run in the second inning, Farmington took the lead, but relinquished it in the third inning when Holly added three runs to their previous two, leading 5 to 4. Farmington trailed the remainder of the game.

A great aid to Holly was the spectacular pitching of their star pitcher, McNeaving, who led his team to victory with seven strikeouts, and yielding only seven hits.

Do Your Part

(Editorial)

If a machine runs, all the parts must work in harmony. If a base-

ball team is a success, each member must do his part. Students, the school guarantees to help prepare you for your place in life if you will do your part. Knowledge is a free gift to all. Your teachers are willing to teach you prepare for the future years. Your time, students, is free for study. Why not take advantage of this chance? All it requires on your part is cooperation. Don't work for marks on your report cards, work for knowledge and culture which these school days will bring to you.

No one will hand you anything in life; you must go after what you want. It is not hard to teach students if they will cooperate by learning their lessons, showing consideration for their teachers and making an effort to learn. All that is asked of Farmington students is—each and every student, "do your part."

The Story Of Glass

Glass is more important to us today than it ever has been before. Men are making glass in new designs and colors, and are finding many new uses for their product.

One of the most interesting of these new types is the shatter-proof glass used in the windshields of automobiles. If something strikes this glass it breaks, but the pieces stay in place. Many people were badly injured by pieces of glass when the old windshields were broken.

Shatter-proof glass was discovered by accident. In 1904 a French scientist was working in his shop. He dropped a mixture on a bottle. As he was working he pushed this bottle to the floor. He was surprised to find that the broken pieces of the bottle stayed right in place. If he had not read about a certain automobile accident in the paper that morning, he might have gone right on with his work. In this accident a young woman had been badly injured by flying glass from a broken windshield.

This scientist began to wonder if he could make glass that would not fly when it was broken. He mixed up some more of the jelly-like substance which he had dropped on the bottle, and spread it over some glass and tried to break it. He kept on trying such experiments until he found he could make a glass that would not scatter when it was broken.

Shatter-proof glass or safety glass may be made in two ways. One way is to make glass over a mesh of wire. Of course, the wire can be seen, so this glass is used only in certain places. The other way to make safety glass is to make a glass "sandwich."

This sandwich is made of two sheets of glass with a sheet of celluloid between them.

Henry Ford first used shatter-proof glass for the windshields of his cars. Now many states have laws that cars and buses must have windshields made of shatter-proof glass.

Another kind of safety glass used today is the bullet-proof glass. This glass is used for windows of banks. A robber may try to shoot through a window of a bank in order to break it. If the window is made of bullet-proof glass, the bullet will not go through. This glass is the thickest kind of safety glass made. The thinnest safety glass is used in airplanes.

Houses are now being built of glass. In a few years we may live in such houses. Of course these houses are built of glass which

does not break. In some places "bullet-proof" glass is used. Some houses are even made of glass brick.

Glass houses have many advantages. The walls may be made of clear glass. When these walls get dirty they can be easily washed. The painters will not have to come and paint the walls. Glass walls will let the sunshine into the house. People who live in glass houses should be healthy. Think how beautiful a house could be if made of lovely tinted glass.

One usually thinks that glass houses would not make good private homes, that all people passing by could look right into the house and see what the family is eating for lunch. This is not true because glass houses can be made of "one-way" glass. The people inside can see out but the people outside cannot see in.

Still another useful way of using glass is for cooking utensils. People can cook their food in glass dishes which heat will not break.

GRADE NEWS

FIRST GRADE

The pupils are studying nature this week. They began a series of walks Friday. These are enjoyable and interesting. The first walk was devoted to the study of birds. Other nature walks will be taken soon.

Streamlined trains are being studied also by the first grade children. Joseph Latham invited the boys and girls to see his toy streamlined train. The class went during the morning session Thursday and enjoyed their visit.

SECOND GRADE

A study of nature is of especial interest in the Spring. Outside in the warm sunshine the birds are singing and the frogs are croaking. The warm sunshine makes studying difficult for the boys and girls. Everyone watches the clock to be ready to dash out immediately when the bell rings.

To divert the attention of the children from the out-of-doors, the second grade teacher, Miss Ruth Mottow, has two aquariums on the classroom window sills. In one aquarium a newt and some goldfish make their home, while in the other are two crayfish.

In one corner of the window sill is an ant coal-mine where the ants are busy at work.

The second graders also put some potatoes in water and the potatoes are beginning to sprout.

In connection with study in nature a sand-table display of snow-capped mountains stands out. Small green bushes and trees covering the mountains are especially attractive.

THIRD GRADE

The third grade room is one of the rooms where there is seldom a dull, as it is always full of excitement or enjoyment of some kind. The one thing that holds the children's interest at the present is that they have received some new sand for their sand table. Every spare moment is spent erecting some new type of building.

Many of the buildings have been torn down either because they didn't please the eyes of the builder or because he thought he could build something better. Many improvements have been made on the things that have been erected.

Bright colored flower pots on the window sills were painted by some of the pupils. These add to the color and brightness of the room.

Among one of their regular study activities for the last few days was that of learning how to prove answers in subtraction.

The pupils have enjoyed their work in arithmetic this year.

Most of the pupils are back from their illnesses and everyone is glad to have them well again.

FOURTH GRADE

The pupils have had some interesting things happen to them this week. First they got a new book, "The Understanding Prince." Next they went on a hike and picnic, laughing and yelling all the way. The boys crossed a creek and had to wade back.

Two new pupils have enrolled. They are Janet Robertson and Stanley Duncan. Stanley is a Scotch boy. Both are nice and the other pupils like them. They work hard and behave well.

Book Reviews

THE PROUD HEART

This book, written by Pearl Buck, deals with the age-old problem of whether a woman should sacrifice a career for marriage. The central character, Susan Greyford, faced with this problem, endeavors with discouraging re-

sults to accomplish both. The story reveals the actual inner feelings of an American woman. The book is strongly recommended.

LO, MICHAEL

This story tells of a little newsboy who lives in the New York slums. When he saved the little girl of a wealthy banker from being shot, he was given a chance by the grateful father to go to Florida and receive an education. However, Michael hesitates because he does not want to leave his gang. When the banker finally gets Michael to go, the boy gives his solemn promise that he will come back and help his pals when he has received his education.

Michael has a crown of golden hair, and looks so much like a young god that his schoolmates nickname him "Angel." During his school years he is rather lonely and depressed because he feels that no one really cared what happened to him.

When he finishes school he goes back to New York and attempts to hunt up his old pals. In the little information that he can obtain he finds that two of his pals are dead and the rest are more or less dealing in crime. After this he puts all his efforts toward helping the poor slum people and teaching them the right way to live. People send him money and he gets help from all sides.

Later Michael finds out that the banker owns the tenement in which he is working. The banker promises to tear down the tenement and build a model one.

Calendar of Coming Events

FRIDAY, APRIL 29—Annual Arbor District meeting of Epworth League.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4—Annual meeting of Farmington Woman's Club with Mrs. Frances Way, Bond Blvd.

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1 p. m.—Dessert luncheon at home of Mrs. John Walters for Sunshine Harmony Circle.

MAY 11, 12, 13, 14—May Festival given by U. of M. Musical Society.

MAY 20, 21—Annual Poppy Days.

JUNE 10, 11, 12—Oakland County Boy Scout Camporee in Farmington.

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At The Redford Theater



The War of 1812 usually is not regarded as such an outstanding war, but the victory of the United States definitely established this country as a nation, a great nation.

Andrew "Old Hickory" Jackson, later President, is well-known for his victory at New Orleans, but he probably could not have won that important fight if it had not been for one Jeop LaFitte, a pirate in the Caribbean, a renegade Frenchman who had chosen the United States as his home and was loyal to it, even though a price was on his head for selling his pirated goods lower than Louisiana merchants.

Around this brief, almost obscure historic fact, Cecil B. De Mille has built one of his movie masterpieces, "The Buccaneer," starring Frederic March with an all-star cast.

"The Buccaneer," which shows at the Redford Theater Friday through Monday, introduces a new

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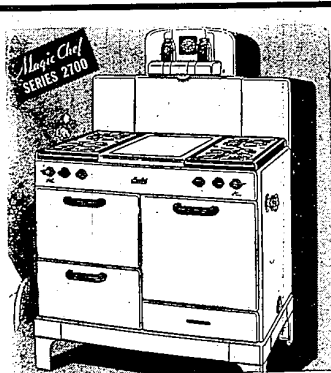
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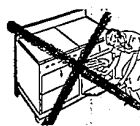
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