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EDITORIAL

Should We Have a Censored Press

As a great crisis approaches our nation, we should be on guard against propaganda. This invisible force creates for us the need for scientific thinking. This brings up the question, and reflects business on us, "Should we have a censored press?" If we cannot rely on our own good judgment, then maybe a censored press would benefit our government. We have already a few limitations on our speech and press; they are libel, profane language, and any misleading or implied statements to evil effect. Also our government restricts the activities of our foreign propagandists, whose motives must be declared openly.

The government checks foreign propagandists; but what can be done about those acting under the name of American citizens? What about those individuals who stir up trouble and criticize our government but offer no better alternative? What about another group, the fanatics, who encourage social and religious antagonisms? If you recall any articles in the newspapers that even hint to encourage support of any of these malicious propagandists, that paper probably will be one in a thousand.

We run across propaganda every day, and we don't know it. Propagandists have various means to attract our emotions. Perhaps we will glance at a sign board and see a picture of a pretty girl who appears refreshed; she has been drinking some soft drink. We are attracted by this, and we think that if we buy a bottle of this, we also can be as refreshed as the girl.

This attraction is the functioning of propaganda. We see that the girl is refreshed, but can it be proved that the soft drink made her so? It can not be proved; therefore, we can see propaganda and are conscious of its existence. Of course this is the mild form illustrated; but, if we can be deceived by such a minor motive, then any clever individual might easily induce us to believe in a more serious situation. We will have to be on guard against any such occurrences.

Newspapers are very powerful weapons which can work for good or for evil. It is recognized by most of us that a person who owns an average-sized newspaper is fairly wealthy; and the wealthy can be a menace, to this effect: they are powerful, and there is an existing danger of plutocracy. They control these powerful weapons, the newspapers, and the newspapers can reflect the opinion of the owners, which in turn influence those who read the papers and believe all they read.

If you have ever paid particular attention to newspaper work, you

probably have noticed how a tendency has been moving toward chain newspapers. Chain newspapers are news enterprises under the control of one owner, and a man can get plenty powerful if he has thirty or more enterprises throughout the country. Even without the thought of plutocracy the chain-owners can do a lot of damage with their newspapers.

Literary Department A Plea

The rights of the people are very few.
The ways of the government are very new;
Give us free speech; that's what we want!
Get rid of dictators who will always haunt!
Get rid of the slums which cause communism!
What is its good, when gotten by hypnotism?
Give education which prevents crime;
Give it to us, Oh, Father of Time!
Oh, U.S.A., don't give us away—
Give us this, please do, this day.
—Peggy Dwyer, Freshman

Farmington H. S. to do Its Part For Defense

Because of the present war situation the fast growing industries are in need of skilled labor to run the machines which turn out war supplies. The Farmington School Shop is going to be a training center for Farmington boys who are out of school. The shop will have night classes in Industrial Arts. The school shop can not train these men so much as it would like to, but the machinery of the department will be used in this work. Besides aiding in the National defense program, the young men who receive this training are better equipped to enter the factories than if they had had no previous training, as was the experience of Leon Gardner. Mr. Gardner entered this phase of training when he took a course on metal work for about three weeks. The experience he gained in the shop enabled him to get a job in a small shop. In this small shop he gained further experience, which in turn helped him to secure a better position in a large shop.

New Display

Very attractively decorated is the Home Economics show case. It shows a table cover set for four for a Valentine party. The cover is red and white crepe paper scattered with all sizes of hearts. The centerpiece is made of red strips of paper, white dillies, and lollipops. Those in charge of the display were Barbara Locker, Kathleen Roberts, and Roberta Beckwith.

Grade School Notes

Mrs. Paulkner donated ice cream for the first grade Valentine party. Mrs. Olsenberry sent ice cream to the second and fourth grade parties.

Teddy Deas, a member of the first grade, has returned from two weeks' absence because of illness. A Lincoln contest was held in the fourth grade on writing stories of his life. They are in midst of making a puppet show.

An excellent collection of shells is on display in the fifth grade room. They were collected by Harry Griffith. By winning the basketball game this week, the fifth grade is in second place. Their newly appointed librarian is Marilyn Vivier. "A" and "B" students were the only ones that will be able to join the Writers' Club next month.

Lincoln's and Washington's lives are being studied very seriously by the sixth graders, since these national heroes give good lessons in American citizenship.

DEER COUNT COMPLETED

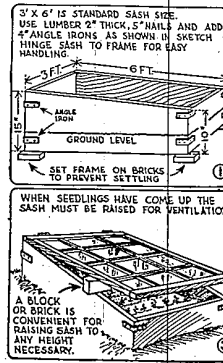
Six deer drives made between last July and December by the full complement of CCC Camp Cusno yielded an average count of 10.3 deer per square mile. The counts were made each time over mile squares marked out in four different types of forest cover, in the big Cusno state game area. Three-fourths of the 175 or more men thought to make a drive are stationed about the marked square mile, to count the deer driven out while the others advance across the fourth side of the square guided by picket lines laid out at 100 foot intervals.

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The Cold Frame Story—How to Build and Use It.

There is quite a bit of woodwork connected with gardening and winter is a good time to be at it. A major task is building a cold-frame, which is well called the amateur gardener's best friend.

In those tantalizing weeks of early spring, when a warm sun one day sets the garden fever burning and freezing weather that night kills the courage, a cold frame is priceless.

Everybody needs one, though he may have a hotbed, or even a greenhouse in addition. To the great majority of home gardeners, the cold frame will suffice for all real needs in early sowing.

Easy to build, and simple to operate, it enables seeds to be sown several weeks before it would be safe to sow them in the open. With the protection of the glass sash on frosty nights the seeds will germinate, and the seedlings grow sturdy, until they are large enough to transplant into the open ground.

To make a cold frame, the accompanying illustrations give full and detailed instructions. The soil which is used in it should be fine, friable top soil, well pulverized. Sow the seed as you would in a flat or hotbed, water thoroughly and firm the soil over the seed, pressing smooth with a brick, or piece of board.

Watering now becomes of great importance. At no time should the soil be allowed to become hard and dry. Yet excessive watering may cause the seeds to rot, sour the soil, or cause "damping off." When the plants appear, thin them out, allowing each to grow singly without crowding.

After the seedlings appear, watering is still important. Good drinks, between which the soil dries somewhat, without becoming crusty and hard, should be the rule. And fresh air is the next great need. On sunny days, the sash should be lifted early in the morning, otherwise the temperature may quickly run to a dangerous height. Inspect the cold frame at least every morning and afternoon, and remember it whenever the weather changes abruptly. You will soon learn the program needed to keep the young plants growing vigorously, which means with good heavy roots and strong stems, stocky rather than tall and spindling.

When transplanting time comes, take up the seedlings with as little disturbance of the roots as possible, and get them back into the ground as soon as you can.



'Mother Knows Best' Doesn't She?

Guiding their inquiring minds and dynamic activities... choosing their food, clothes, entertainment and health needs... the well-informed modern mother knows what is best for the welfare of her offspring. And it is safe to say that an incalculable share of her accurate information has had its beginning in the advertising columns of this newspaper.

Many of the advertisements today bristle with ideas. They are more than catalogs. In the true sense, they are education! Scientific minds contribute to their contents. Their recommendations are based on deep thought. Their words are carefully chosen; their diction studiously formed for clarity and understanding.

Through advertisements the mother of today learns authoritatively about new methods in the care of children's teeth. About antiseptics and hygienics. About body-building and health-giving foods. About new comforts as well as new styles, in juvenile wearing apparel. About books and schools and vacation camps.... The advertisements pour innumerable hints and suggestions into her store of knowledge. They make her a more capable manager of the home and guardian of the family exchequer.

"Mother knows best"—is this expression heard about your home? Is it just an admonition? Or, is it founded on facts. Reading advertisements will to help make it so.

Class of '42 to Make History With Play

For the first time, a play will be presented by the junior class. The play, "The Night of January 16," by Ayn Rand, is a comedy drama in three acts and will be given March 25 in the Farmington High School gymnasium. Miss Steele will direct the play. The cast includes: John Orfino, Jack Samuelson, Judith Oates, Therese Gamache, Tom Shreiber, Clifford Pank, Albert Case, William Dallas, Charlotte King, Irene Brykalski, Marjorie Collins, Lee Caulfield, Dorothy Fox, Roland Muirhead, Myrl Whitesell, Clark Cleghorn, Melvin Rowland, Beatrice Coe, Margaret Miles, Dorothy Goers, and Lynn Searle.

F.H.S. Hands Clarkson A Double Defeat

With Farmington High School basketball team playing one of its best games of the season, they easily took Clarkson high school by the highest score they have so far scored this season in one game. The game took place in the F.H.S. gym on Friday, February 14. The game started with F.H.S. scoring the first basket. With the tied at all at the end of the first quarter, Mr. Hutton, coach of F.H.S., sent in a whole new team who ran up the score to 16 to 4 at half time. With the start of the second half F.H.S. kept right on going and so ended the game in front 35 to 10.

James Youngblood of F.H.S. was high scorer of the game with 12 points. Next came Bill Campbell of F.H.S. and Appleton of Clarkson with 8 points each.

The second team of F.H.S. also won by a score of 27 to 20. Baynes of Clarkson was high scorer with 9 points and Martindale second of F.H.S. with 8 points. Not far behind Martindale came Stewart of F.H.S. with 7 points.

Important P.T.A. Meeting Held February 19

The Parent Teacher's Association meeting, which was held on Wednesday, February 19, was of great interest to everybody concerned with democracy and our government.

A panel discussion was held, the topic being "What Do I Mean By The Democratic Way of Life?" The panel was headed by Mr. A. Leonard, chairman; Rev. Stubbs, Mrs. H. A. McIntyre, Mr. F. J. Nash, and Miss Isabelle Steele, F.H.S. faculty representative.

Miscellaneous

Moving Pictures from the University of Michigan Extension Service were presented to the Visual Education Conference at the William Ford School in Dearborn on February 20.

On February 21 the M.E.A. Department of School Board Members will hold a meeting in the Baldwin high school at Birmingham at 8 p. m. The problems discussed will be of vital importance to all Boards of Education.

Something New For The Girls

(that are interested)

At the fourth meeting of the G.A.A., held Wednesday, February 12, it was decided that there would be volleyball tournaments to take the place of the basketball games that have been held at noon in the gym. Captains were chosen from the group. Each class will have a team. The games will be played between the classes. The captains are: E. Pink, senior; E. B. Bavin, junior; Connie Rosenboom, sophomore; and Tip Schram, freshman.

Snatches From Classes

In keeping with the day, all Home Economics classes held Valentine parties Friday. Individually the classes planned their own refreshments and entertainment.

There have been two freshman boys added to the cafeteria staff. They are Burke Martin and Charles Diamond; both are working very seriously at their jobs.

Public Speaking students are working on orations. Some of them are planning to enter the Michigan Forensic Contests, March 16.

Because the Michigan District Basketball Tournaments are being held in the Farmington High School gymnasium March 6, 7, and 8, the journalism class has been asked to set up the dummy for the program.

Miss Russ was hostess to twelve members of the library club at her home Wednesday night. A light lunch was served, after which games were played.

The Dramatics Club will present the play, "Enter the Hero," by Theresa Hellborn, on Wednesday, February 26.

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