

### Speeding Common

Why are most drivers stopped by the police? Speeding, of course! In a recent survey by a leading insurance company 50 out of every 100 drivers questioned stated that they decided for themselves what their speed limit should be. Of these, 20 per cent stated that they drive over the speed limit on occasion, but 60 per cent admitted they exceeded speed limits as a practice. Only 20 per cent were careful to drive under posted limits.

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—Wall Street Journal



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### Federal Aid

#### Proposes Bill To Aid Volunteer Firemen Units

Volunteer firemen will receive a hand from the Federal Government if Congressman William S. Broomfield (R-Oakland County) has his way.

Broomfield introduced a bill in the House of Representatives which would permit the Federal Government to donate surplus property to volunteer fire fighting units.

"The Federal government has a lot of equipment no longer needed which would be of invaluable help to volunteer fire departments," said Broomfield. Such equipment as water tanks for fire trucks, tarpaulins, axes, and pumping equipment "could be readily utilized by these volunteer departments," said Broomfield.

"Many smaller communities are hard-pressed for funds to supply necessary fire fighting equipment," said Broomfield.

Broomfield said regular fire departments have made wide use of Civil Defense funds in modernizing their departments. "The volunteers have been left out in the cold, so to speak," he said. "Who knows? This equipment could mean the difference between life and death to some area served by a volunteer. We should do all we can to see that such equipment is made available where it can do the most good."

### Juniors Continue To Study Plays

Work on the selection of a suitable play for the junior class to present continues. The play reading committee met Friday, January 31. They read the plays on hand and sent to the University of Michigan for others.

Committee chairman Mr. Mary Burley. Members are: Elsie Spicer, Nancy Irwin, Pat Slipack, Norma West, Pat Rhodes, Jackie Levin, Bonnie Gade, Marcia Moorehead, and Janet Clerk.

Germany is the world's leading producer of potatoes—16 per cent of the total.

## Farmington High News

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

### Many Enter Lit. Writing Contest

Members of English and Journalism II classes of F.H.S. who entered literary entries in the Scholastic Writing Contest on January 21, are now awaiting the judges' decisions.

The contest is under the sponsorship of the Detroit News and Scholastic Magazine.

Miss Virginia Carley, counselor and English V instructor, had 13 entrants from her class. The categories and number of entries are as follows: short story, 5; autobiographical article, 7; familiar essay, 3; poem, 4; short story, 8; sketch, 3.

In the Journalism field, Mr. Lee S. Peel, Journalism and English teacher, had six entrants in the feature, editorial, and sport categories. From his English classes he had two entries, a short story and an autobiographical article.

"The winners of the contest will appear in March."

### County Science Assn. Meets Here

A demonstration and talk by the designer of the Dorrill Mechanical Heart highlighted the monthly meeting of the Oakland County Science Teachers' Association at the Senior High on Wednesday, January 22.

Dr. F. D. Dorrill, inventor of the machine and president-elect of the Michigan Heart Association, showed a model of an actual operation employing the device. He also had the complex machine with him to help demonstrate its prominent importance in the future of medical science.

This mechanical pump substitutes for the human heart, permitting surgeons to operate in a so-called dry field with the patient's heart stopped. The machine, developed five years previous, has now been refined and has dozens of counterparts throughout the country.

The Science Teachers' Association selects persons, similar to Doctor Dorrill, to speak on subjects relating to science in connection with various industries. The Association has chosen next month's speaker from the field of guided missiles. Students are invited to attend these meetings and promoting an interest in science among the various student bodies.

S. J. P.

### SCHOOL MENUS FOR THE WEEK

**Jr. High - Elementary**  
**THURSDAY, February 6**  
Hamburger Gravy Over  
Mashed Potatoes  
Celery Sticks  
Fruit  
Milk  
**FRIDAY, February 7**  
Fruit Juice  
Salmon Loaf  
Bread & Butter  
Vegetable  
Ice Cream - Milk  
**MONDAY, February 10**  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Hot Vegetable  
Bread and Butter  
Fruit - Milk  
**TUESDAY, February 11**  
Sloppy Joes  
Hot Vegetables  
Carrot Sticks  
Pudding - Milk  
**WEDNESDAY, February 12**  
Spanish Rice  
Hot Biscuits  
Hot Vegetable  
Jello - Milk

**Senior High**  
**THURSDAY, February 6**  
Creamed Potatoes  
Cold Cuts  
Hot Vegetables  
Corn-Bread  
Bread and Butter  
Fruit - Milk  
**FRIDAY, February 7**  
Creamed Tuna on Biscuits  
Hot Vegetable  
Egg Salad Sandwich  
Bread and Butter  
Ice Cream  
**MONDAY, February 10**  
Chili with crackers  
Cheese squares  
Raw vegetables  
Bread and Butter  
Cake - Milk  
**TUESDAY, February 11**  
Scalloped Potatoes with Ham  
Hot Vegetable  
Bread and Butter  
Fruit - Milk  
**WEDNESDAY, February 12**  
Beef Turnovers  
Gravy  
Hot vegetable  
Gelatine Salad  
Bread and Butter  
Fruit Cup  
Milk

### To Debate In State Tourney

The date that has the most prominent position in the minds of F.H.S. varsity debaters, is Saturday, February 15. On this day they will meet Allen Park's debaters at Hazel Park in the State District Elimination Tournament.

There are other such meetings being held all over the state from February 10-21, in which 50 teams will be cut to eight. These eight teams will then debate each other to find a winner. To qualify for the tournament a squad must have won five out of eight debates during the regular season.

Other teams at Hazel Park will be Birmingham, Flint-Mandeville, Lansie - Creuse from Mt. Clemens, Lake Shore from St. Clair Shores and Hazel Park. All of these teams but one will be eliminated.

Mr. Louis Gilson's Jr. High classes are interested in forming a debate club, so F.H.S. debaters will put on an exhibition debate for them, February 7.

P.G.C.

### Hear Talk by U.M. Journalism Major

Paul Kosmynsky, former editor-in-chief of the Blue and White, spoke to the Journalism II class at the Department of Journalism at the University of Michigan Wednesday, January 22.

Kosmynsky outlined the curriculum necessary for a major in the field of Journalism and described the job placement service offered for Journalism graduates.

Kosmynsky, a 1954 Farmington graduate, is a senior at Michigan. He edited the Blue and White in 1953-54.

J.H.

### Express Creative Writing Abilities

English IV students were recently given an opportunity to express their creative writing ability, when Miss Ruth L. Bailey assigned "A Modern Vanity Fair."

The paper was to be entirely original, both in subject matter and in literary form, but was supposed to depict the emptiness derived from a present-day vain pleasure.

The classes have just finished Bunyan's great allegory "The Pilgrimage of Vanity Fair," from John G. R.

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### New York Picked For Senior Trip

A conference of Trip Club advisors, Mr. Raymond Sherpitts and Miss Rita Pieron, and officers, decided on an itinerary for the trip to New York.

The trip will be highlighted by a tour of the Empire State Building, a yacht cruise around Manhattan Island, and dining and dancing at the Copacabana.

The trip is scheduled to begin May 28.

S.J.L.

### Alumni News -

Dick Sutherland, Class of '55, is stationed in Hawaii with the United States Marines.

Don Pember, and Ted DeGroot, both Class of '57, each has his own disc-jockey program at Michigan State University where they are in their freshman year.

Mary Ann Ohman, Class of '57, had a lead-by-lined story on the Student-Faculty Talent show at Western Michigan University. The story appeared in the January 10 issue of the school newspaper, the Western Herald.

Mary Ann was the assignment editor on the Blue and White staff in '56 - '57.

Jim Fanzini, Class of '52, is studying engineering at Wayne State University.

Tom Isley, Class of '54, is presently studying Journalism at Wayne State University.

Bob Isley, Class of '54, is now in his third year of psychology at Wayne State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Habermehl announced the birth of a son, Bruce Austin Jr., born on January 14 at Art Center Hospital.

Bruce graduated with the Class of '53.

### Y-Teen Club Holds Open House, 50 Attend

A Y-Teen meeting was held after school Monday, January 27 in the cafeteria. It was an open house, open to all who might be interested in joining. Over 50 girls played games and were served refreshments.

The next general meeting is to be held Monday, February 10. It is open to any prospective members and will be held in the lunchroom.

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Low furniture with a horizontal line and furniture of the same height help give a feeling of space to rooms, say Michigan State University home economists.

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—Heinrich Heine

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