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MUSIC DEPARTMENT GIVES ASSEMBLY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Farmington High's annual Christmas assembly was presented by the Vocal Music Department last Friday, December 22.

The program consisted of many religious songs. The Sixth Grade Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Wells, was heard for the first time before the student body at this assembly and their selections were "Hark Now, O Shepherds," "O, Save Me," "Bethlehem Night," "Mary's Lullaby," and "Old Christmas Song."

The songs by the Girls' Glee Club were "Christmas Song," "Today There is Ringing," and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

The Falconers sang "Winter Song," "High Up In De Kingdom," and "Ave Maria." Barbara Eichler sang a solo in "High Up In De Kingdom," and she and Andre Janisse soloed in "Ave Maria."

To conclude the program, the Farmington High Mixed Choir sang the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah."

Mr. J. W. Henderson, high school music director, led the student body, accompanied by members of the Farmington band, in several carols.

The piano accompanists at the assembly were Rosamund LeMieux and Corinne Groscoe.

J. M.

Here And There With The Alumni

Dick Tupper is touring Texas with his family over the Christmas holidays.

It seems like old times, having at the college kids home for Christmas. Some of the F. H. S. alumni have good jobs these days. Too Jim Crawford has a job with Ford Pucher Advertising Studio in Detroit. Beryl Erwin was working at Federals over the Christmas holidays. Enid Kelly has a job as telephone operator in Ann Arbor.

Marie O'Keefe (Howie) is recovering from an operation at the home of her parents.

The army has claimed Bill Connor. The Air Corps has given Murph Charron a leave. He's home from Texas. Jack Hinburn has also joined the Air Force.

Two Farmington graduates were with their soldier and sailor husbands over the Christmas holidays. Florence Losch (Tamm) is visiting hubby. Jack is at Camp Folk, Louisiana. Dorothy Markham (Ston) is with Carl in Philadelphia where he will be stationed for two months.

J. H.

**Pheasant Eludes Hunters
To Get Trapped In Ice**

Getting by the hunters was easy for one Lee Township pheasant... occupying the weatherman's icy grip was something else.

Harry Plotts, conservation officer, found a ringneck suspended in the air by its tail, which was frozen to a bush. The cock apparently had entered a tangle of grape vines seeking food and a place to spend the night. Sleet eventually welded the tail feathers to the bush.

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EDITORIAL

WHAT SIGNIFICANCE?
During this holiday we might well ask, "What has happened to the significance of Christmas?"

We asked a child one whom you would expect to be of Sunday School age, what was his first thought of Christmas. His voice was full of anticipation as he answered "Santa Claus."

We agree that in a small child's life Santa Claus plays an important role, but wouldn't it be nice if he also knew why we celebrate Christmas?

"Peace on earth, good will toward men." Good will? Sometimes we wonder where it is. Is it in the crowded elevator in a downtown department store? Or the crowded bus? Or is it in the looks on peoples' faces as they snarl at the salesgirls? "Christmas is a happy one - give her a beautiful necklace. The ones shown here start at \$54.55. Christmas is becoming a dreaded custom among families who can just not afford such luxuries."

Christmas cards are now being run off a la mass production. Each has been cleverly printed with lambs, Santas, - even a snowman or two (to indicate the Christmas season.) This isn't to bid - now we open the card and read: "Merry Christmas, Happy New Year" - a greeting, yes? And then as a final touch: Charles Kilgore in boldly printed letters.

We wonder. C. G. M.

Brown trout eggs are being used in cancer research at the University of Western Ontario, reports the Ontario department of lands and forests.

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Traditional Pinata Gives Spanish Touch To Party

The traditional pinata gave a Spanish atmosphere to the Christmas party held by the Buena Amigos.

The pinata, containing the gifts, was made of a paper bag with various pictures painted on it. A person was blindfolded and given a stick with which to break the pinata. All those attending then received their respective gifts.

For entertainment, questions were asked in Spanish and the first person to answer it correctly in Spanish received a prize.

Cookies, cake, and ice cream were served at the party which was held at noon, December 22.

G. M.

Junior Class Committee Considers Possible Plays

A committee of Junior Class members has been selected to choose the Junior Class play.

With the aid of Mrs. Brock, the committee, composed of D. Barge, G. Carnivale, S. Dickie, E. McCracken, P. Fringle, and B. Weber, has been reading many various plays.

The plays being considered at this time are "Turn Back the Pinata," "That Crazy Smith Family," "The Able Miss Cain," "The Inner Willy," and "Our Town."

A. M.

CALENDAR

December 29, River Rouge at Farmington. Dance after game.

January 2, School Reopens.

January 5, Berkley at Farmington. N. H.

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Seniors Beat Alumnae In G. A. A. Basketball

The Senior G. A. A. team defeated the Farmington alumnae 8-4 in a basketball game held Wednesday.

All alumnae since G. A. A. was organized were invited back to play.

There were four games in all, the first of which was between the freshmen teams. Aho's team won 7 to 1.

Waters' team defeated Schlotterbeck's 6 to 4 in the second game.

The third game, which started at 3:15, was fought between the Alumnae and the Juniors. The Alumnae won 10 to 2.

In the last game of the evening the Seniors beat the Alumnae in an amazing upset.

After the games refreshments were served in the cafeteria.

R. P.

Student Council Vetoes New Year's Eve Dance

The Student Council has vetoed a dance for Saturday, December 30.

Since New Year's Eve falls on a Sunday this year, some students felt that the annual New Year's Dance could be held on the preceding Saturday.

But taking the dime dance into consideration, which will be held tomorrow after the game, it was decided that another dance would not be satisfactory.

C. G. M.

The other is perhaps the only animal where the entire race, old and young, unite to maintain a system of play connected with the instincts of feeding, fighting, or multiplying.

Review Crazy Doings In Michigan's Wildlife World During 1950

Crazy doings in the Michigan outdoor world during 1950 should provide ample conversational fodder for sportsmen's hot stove sessions this winter.

The conservation department makes these contributions:

The sexy fish lure devised by angler C. W. Handel, which calls for a slim-bodied, daintily-scented minnow doing the finny version of the bumps and grinds at the end of the hook;

The Bay City state park rangers who had no difficulty telling when temperatures hit a new high - flushing to the beach to prevent a young lady from taking the plunge in the only bathing suit mother nature ever provided;

The hazards of live-trapping skunks which ended for game warden when they began cutting the odorous little animal into a box trap with another nostril twister, smoked herring, and then offering it a "loaded" ball of ground meat;

The racoon at the Rege Lake wildlife experiment station with a penchant for joy riding in a jeep;

The "Sir Lancelot" character who conceived the idea of strapping a sharp-edge pole to his car and

charging up Oscoda county back-trails in search of a deer;

The Kalamazoo county buck deer which began sparking Patrick Dockery's mules, keeping them in a dither and jumping all over the pasture;

The salubrious woodchuck which chewed a hole in the radiator hose on conservation officer Glen Price's car, causing the alcohol to spurt out over the motor and start a fire;

The reverse-swimming Livingston county muskrat which paddled past the Rege lake dock backward, and peered at game biologist Arthur Peterson, shifted gears again, and disappeared into the cattails;

The large number of ruffed grouse which took refuge in Young state park during hunting season;

The pilfering beaver family which cut down aspen trees within 30 feet of Cheboygan's main street and floated them down the Cheboygan river paralleling this chief thoroughfare;

The fishpiling doctor who asked a stranger for a hand in dragging an illegal second deer out of the woods and received conservation officer Alger Labl's cooperation;

The October warm weather

spurge which fooled Danaville area ruffed grouse into starting spring mating season activities;

The Van Buren county flying fisherman who swooped down on North Scott lake for periodic checks of set lines because he was too busy to fish the normal way;

The conservation department's fishing ambassador without portfolio, Harold Olsen of Lansing, who continued to prove big fish exist in several lakes where other anglers swear they are not;

Another wildlife report of a bear in southern Michigan, this time one in Lapeer county which caused embarrassment to department authorities as well, when they proved the story unfounded. The alleged report was that a Fosteria area resident might be arrested for killing a bear that had invaded his front porch.

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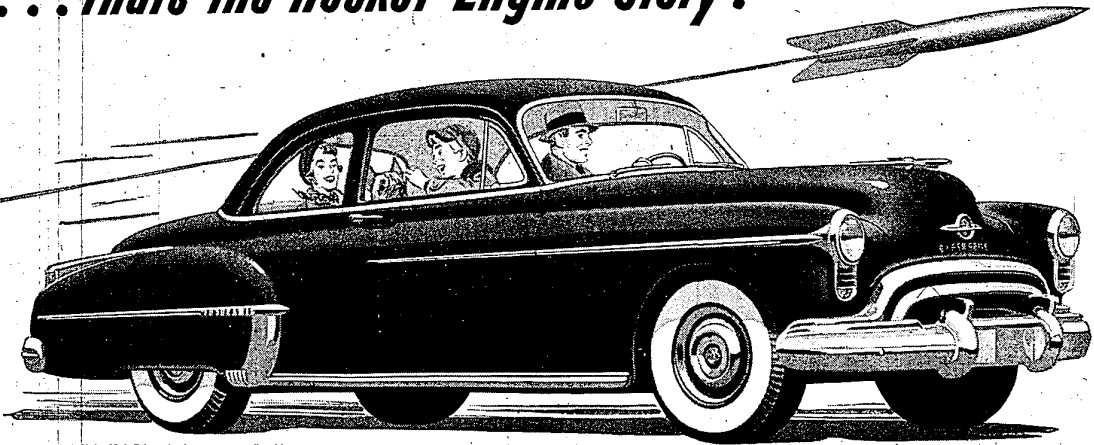
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