

A Few Blue & White Editorials

Little enthusiasm in coming SC elections shows Council's ineffectiveness

Who is running for the office of president of Farmington Senior High School's Student Council? Has anyone announced his candidacy for this office?

The present Student Council should begin immediately to promote the campaigns of some eligible juniors for this high office. The elections will be held soon; time is short.

One of the major excuses used by the Council for its usual ineffectiveness is that every year the Council must begin anew—new officers and new members. By the time the new Council becomes accustomed to the operation of an effective organization, the school year is nearly over. Every year this process is repeated.

A suggestion: elect the new officers and members earlier than they are now elected, and then allow them to be observers of the presiding Council in action. They would not be full-fledged members as such, but they would gain valuable experience on the operation of an effective governing body. By the time they were sworn into office, they would already be qualified in running the student body's affairs.

The present, ineffective Student Council must take partial blame for the student body's disenchantment with the administration—and, therefore, partial blame for our recent student disorders.

If the Student Council would at last listen to any new suggestions, instead of labeling them as unnecessary criticisms which only hurt the student body, they could find ways to allevi-

ate many of the present troubles at Farmington Senior High. The Student Council, as well as the student body, must begin NOW to find the qualified personnel necessary to organize an efficient Student Council.

By Dave McDonnell

Letter

Letter to the Senior Trip Club Members:

We, the advisors of the Trip Club, would like to thank you for making us proud of your behavior, attitude, and manners while on the trip to New York City.

There were 129 students that made the trip. Everyone had favorable comments about these students. The cafeteria where we ate, the hotel where we stayed, the Seniorama tour people that handled all arrangements.

We're sure that this will make it possible for Farmington High School to have larger and better trips in the future.

Thanks again Trip Club Members for being yourselves, like everyone expected to you.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Vance
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wubbena

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Television war coverage stirs U.S. controversy

Television coverage of the Viet Nam war has influenced American opinion of the war more than the news media has ever influenced any other war.

Everyday, at 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m., you can watch, in living color, your countrymen shooting at the North Vietnamese. Right before your eyes, you can see your next door neighbor ambushed by the Viet Cong. You can see the boy down the street bleeding to death in front of the television camera.

This coverage, often live, greatly influ-

ences Americans. When you see countrymen fighting and dying for you, you may feel mad and go all out in support of the war.

Or when you see all of the suffering, you may think, "Why are we over there," or "Why are our boys dying."

There has been more controversy over this war in Viet Nam than any other war in America's history. Television may be the greatest reason for this controversy.

By Dave McDonnell

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