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**BALDWIN BEACON**  
A Weekly Journal Edited by the Students of Baldwin High School.

**Birmingham Smothers Adrian 13-10**

In one of the hottest contests ever witnessed on the local floor B. H. S. won Friday evening. When the victorious and their crestfallen rivals had sought the showers and we had time to get our breath, the game appeared to be over. The first was that, Charlie Latham has recovered his full-time accuracy. The second that the V. H. S. boys a fighting spirit and the third that Adrian's much-touted Gibson is what is locally known as a flop.

From the tip of the game was bitterly contested. Latham first punctured the nose for the home team. Then fouls and a foul by Nebelung of Adrian sent the visitors ahead. In the second quarter Brown in V. H. S. shoes slipped a nest one through to even things. At this juncture Latham again unlimbered the old snipe and in the next long one before the midway recess. In the second period the already high temperature rose feverishly. Time and again only the masterful play of Referee Peel averted some unscheduled entertainment. Latham still dominated the fray with shots that either by good luck, good judgment, or a happy combination of both managed to advance the Maroon clock considerably. Nebelung again carried his slipping mates, starting brilliantly in each end, but his partner by comparison. In the final section Shave accumulated enough fouls to warrant his being sent to the breach and hostilities were concluded shortly after his insertion.

This victory should greatly cheer the local court fans. It showed that B. H. S. can come from behind and win, and that we hope Capt. Symons, sinking a basket. On previous appearances it has been Punk who kept the ship of state off the well-known rocks by his brilliant marksmanship. Friday Punk had an off night and we won anyhow. This victory will help our reputation, but more accurate passing and fewer wild shots will be necessary to live up to it.

Though as a sport by itself, basketball is a zero it plays an important role in most athletic contests. Friday was no exception. The Adrian coach called for time in the first quarter to resin his boys' shoes. We're glad he did, that erased his smile.

Ferndale on Wednesday and Port Huron on Friday will provide plenty of action for the Maroon and White aggregation.

A novel and interesting entertainment was given between halves of the girls' game when Rollin Smith and John Burkman performed on the bars and rings respectively. Their stunts were all difficult and in some cases the spectators were really worried. After Friday we are convinced that heads or tails mean nothing to them. They are quite as at home one side up as the other.

Lineup—Birmingham, V. H. S. Latham, Shave, Symons, Hunt, Adrian—Gibson, Nebelung, Housington, Miller, Drew.

Score—B. H. S. 8, 5—13, Adrian—4, 10. Referee—Peel, Ypsilanti.

**Another Sleigh Party**

Monday evening, Jan. 28, about 40 of the Senior session room, and several others, gathered in front of Baldwin high at 7:30 for a sleigh ride. The air was cold, but the snow just right for a good sleigh ride. About a quarter of eight the gang piled in the wagon, and everything was fine until they started off. As the wagon began to move, the three girls tied on the back broke their ropes and a chorus of "Hey, wait a minute!" went up. After a series of rope-breaking episodes, the party got well under way. As the crowd passed Bates street, Rollie Smith and Elsie Pettit came tearing around the corner and climbed in. About this time Ma Grattan started up a song and it kept up for quite a while, being pleasant to the ears of those making the noise. No remarks were made by passers-by so it is concluded that the singing was all right.

After riding around all the streets in Birmingham, the sleigh turned toward the Community House and several people piled out. After a few dances, for which Mike House of Jazz rendered the music, a luncheon was served by several of the girls. Following the luncheon, the sleigh continued until about eleven, when the party broke up.

For the evening's fun the boys were taxed half a million while the girls furnished the food. To the Misses Lillian and Dot Rose and Norma Berger goes the credit for an interesting and exciting sleigh ride.

**Senior Banquet**

Thursday evening at 6:30 the Seniors of B. H. S. began to wind their way toward the cafeteria at the high school. And no wonder, for they were going to have a banquet in honor of the five boys who, having passed all their subjects with flying honors, were about to pass through the portals of wisdom, out into the cold, bleak world. These boys, Thomas Walker, George Hannaum, and Raynald Parks were the honored young men.

As the banquet progressed, several short talks were made by some of the Seniors. Ed Peeler gave a fine talk on the prospective Washington trip, in which he outlined the trip, expenses, and the things to be viewed.

After the banquet, the entire bunch made a dash for the wagon which was waiting outside, and for several hours the Seniors forgot looks and study, and enjoyed themselves in a sleigh ride.

Following the sleigh ride, the crowd collected in the upper hall and for an hour, the evening was devoted to dancing. After the dance more refreshments were served, and the first Senior party broke up. So from our midst go those five boys with their abilities, humor, intelligence and other qualities cannot fail to make their mark upon the world. Let's hope that, even though very successful in life's work, the boys won't forget to come back and see the old gang at B. H. S.

**Birmingham Vs. Hamtramck**

The Birmingham girls were given a light workout last Friday evening when they tackled the Hamtramck lassies. Our forwards were dropping them from every angle while the visiting guards offered but feeble resistance. That tells practically the whole story except that the final score stood 71-7.

The girls had but little opposition this year but from now on it will be a different story. Friday evening, Feb. 8, the strong Central M. E. team of Detroit will meet our girls in the Baldwin auditorium. That a real treat is in store for the fans who like girls' basketball. Vivian and Flint Central follow on successive Fridays and when these games are over we will know how near our team will come to a state championship.

**B. H. S. Buies Ferndale**

After the ceremony was over and the wreckage cleared away Wednesday night the Maroon was found waving triumphantly over the conquered orange. The score, while not wide, was decided. Throughout the game the home boys showed to distinct advantage. The whole machine worked well. Brown, a new face in the starting line-up, made some mighty good shots. The game was fairly fast and interesting, trouble in slipping the nose over the half was the most apparent liability. Hunt, guard, played a sterling game. Symons and Shave played hard aggressive game; Latham lacked the punch of his previous plays and had trouble locating the loop. The sub uncovered a gratifying brand of basketball, although Hancock was the only understudy to register.

The entire team seems to be getting Mr. Van Winkle's idea, "Take your time, and be quick about it." We can explain a triumph of mind over matter, but a little brain work now and then doesn't detract from chances of winning. The lineup:

Birmingham	Ferndale
Brown	L. F. Mugsford
Latham	L. F. Milford
Shave	C. Hantley
Symons	L. G. Grunwell
Hunt	Harrison

The score was 18-8 in favor of Birmingham; Peel of Ypsi acted as referee. Subs: Schorr for Latham, V. H. S. Shave, Latham for Schorr, Shave for V. H. S. Gray for Hunt, Grams for Symons, Campbell for Latham, Hancock for Campbell, Bailey for Brown.

**MT. CLEMENS BUS LICENSE RAISED**

**BATH CITY ALSO CHANGES SCHEDULE OF MOTOR TRANS. PORTS TO AID SERVICE**

Mr. Clemens is setting a pace in regulating the operation of buses through that city. The license fee has been raised \$25 per bus to help maintain the pavements by these commercialized vehicles and at the same time their operation is confined to certain definite streets. Mr. Clemens has for some time felt that general traffic conditions for the people would be better by refusing to let the buses run entirely on the same streets as the interurbans owing to the fact that the buses had the habit of running just ahead of the cars. This sort of operation resulted in a car and a bus leaving for Detroit at practically the same time. The commission hopes that through the new plan the people will get the benefit of an alternating service and at the same time produce a revenue that will at least pay for some of the damage done to the pavements.

**IN MEMORIAM**

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Frank D. Tucker, who passed away four years ago the 29th day of January.

I am thinking of you, dear Frank, for memory is the only friend that grief can call its own.

And this we have learned by your silent grave.

And the tears I have had to weep.

That the precious joys are not those we save.

But the ones we can keep.

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His Wife and Daughter.

Don't forget the American Legion Ladies' Auxiliary Supper at the Masonic Hall, Saturday evening, Feb. 9, from 8 to 7 o'clock. adv 41

**PEOPLE'S COLUMN**

Letters intended for publication in this People's Column positively MUST be signed. Unsigned communications are thrown away. The shorter the communication, the better its chance of being printed. Write on one side of the sheet only.

To the Editor: January 28, 1924.

**Village or City—Which?**

As election day approaches, Birmingham voters are being urged to favor a city plan of government, and from the standpoint of the voters in general, the following questions are pertinent:

(1) We have advertised and enjoyed Birmingham as a quiet village of homes and families; why hasten the development of business and commerce throughout the village?

(2) Is it not true that a city requires many more salaried officials than a village, and do we need more officials and more expense?

(3) Is not the city plan of development, mainly of interest to local banks, merchants and real estate men?

(4) Is it not true that taxes and bond issues may be largely increased under the city plan?

(5) Why have those beautiful residence suburbs of large eastern cities, open spaces and fresh air and invigilant business development?

(6) Why sacrifice our desirable homes, open spaces and fresh air and invigilant business development?

Very truly yours,  
A. C. Utter,  
712 Southfield Ave.

Birmingham, Mich., Jan. 29, 1924.

To the People of Birmingham:

During the past two weeks, an unscrupulous "photographer" and his agents have been going through Birmingham, soliciting and taking pictures for a so-called "Baby Contest." Not only this, but the facts have been grossly misrepresented. These men have stated that the "Baby Contest" is being held by the Arnold Studio here in Birmingham.

This is entirely false. Since opening a studio here, I have at no time held a "Baby Contest" nor told any one that I was doing so.

Since the studio has been open, the people here have been very generous in their patronage. I want to conduct my business in such a way that the citizens of Birmingham will look toward the Arnold Studio with a feeling of interest and loyalty.

For this reason, I am taking this means of giving the public the honest facts in this matter.

Is there not some way in which our people can be protected from these order-takers, who are here today and gone tomorrow, and often care nothing about giving quality and value in return for the few dollars which they get in this way?

Yours for a better Birmingham,  
A. E. Arnold, Photographer.

**TELEPHONE LINE 1200 MILES LONG WAS MARVEL IN 1933**

One of the features of the telephone inquiry at the Chicago Exposition was a large wall map showing the long distance telephone line from Boston (Chicago, 1200 miles long. It was labeled:

"The Longest Telephone Line in the World."

That was true in 1933, but the fact that it was only 1200 miles long is a measure of the progress of long distance telephone transmission.

The next great advance was the opening of the New York-Denver line, 2000 miles long, in 1911. In 1915, the continent was spanned by the New York-San Francisco line, 3000 miles in length.

Even the conquest of the continent did not mark the limit of long distance telephone transmission. Continued research by the Bell System scientists and engineers has resulted in improvements and inventions in telephone systems and equipment, extending the range of long distance telephony and improving the quality of transmission and today telephone conversations are carried on with perfect ease between Havana, Cuba, and Catalina Island, a distance of 8200 miles.

For as little as 25 cents you may advertise your needs in the Classified column of the Eccentric each week. Just phone 11 or 12. 35tf

You Tell It

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**MAY YOUR FIRST DOLLAR HAVE LONG SINCE VANISHED—**

but how you got it would prove mighty interesting to the readers of The Eccentric. Have you been reading the accounts running in The Eccentric on "How I Earned My First Dollar?"

Then won't you send along your own experience on chasing your first dollar? You and your old, old, old men and women, are all invited to send in their "confessions" on this subject. The Eccentric will publish them as long as they continue to come in.

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