

# News of Baldwin and Other Schools

## ALEY HOOVER WINS CONTEST

### Eighth Grade Student Is Spelling Champion Of Baldwin Juniors

Aley Hoover, eighth grader and daughter of Eben E. Hoover of 2905 Townsend street, won the spelling championship of the Baldwin Junior High School, held at the high school last Friday. Aley won on the word, "stinginess."

Alvin C. Hart, principal, answered Miss Esther Barthel Miss Lois Hicks, and Mrs. Margaret Way, all English teachers.

The two teams that met to decide the school championship were composed of the 10 spellers chosen two weeks ago from each grade. Ixane Lambie and Kenneth Hunt were determined champions of the eighth and seventh grades, respectively at that time. Aley Hoover will meet the other school winners of this district on April 20 to determine the district champion. The winner of this contest will represent Baldwin in the State Fair spelling bee at the State Fair grounds in Detroit, May 11.

The eighth grade team was composed of Aley Hoover, Sheila Martin, Eleanor Way, Doris McDaniel, Florence Long, David Curry,

### WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Harvey Staley, of Brown street: "The Eccentric is to be congratulated upon its larger office quarters. I doubt if any weekly newspaper office in the state can outdo it for appearance and convenience. I remember when the paper itself was hardly worth taking out of the postoffice, but at certainly is a good paper now."

### DEBATE TEAM WINS PLAQUE

The Baldwin High School debating team has been awarded the University of Michigan plaque given by the Detroit Free Press. This is the third plaque which Birmingham students have won in successive years. These plaques are presented yearly to 64 debating teams who have entered the final elimination contest. The plaque is made of wood with an inscribed brass shield.

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## 60 TO ENTRAIN FOR TRIP EAST

One of the most valuable parts of a student's education at Baldwin High School lies just around the corner. It is generally conceded by school authorities that a trip to Washington, is a considerable addition to a youth's knowledge. The fifth annual trip to be taken by the students of the high school under the guidance and supervision of William S. Toothaker will be the 1928 granting class, has been uncertain during the past week until the concluding announcement of the committee holding which favors the formal commencement attire by a narrow margin of three votes, the voting having ranged 28 to 25. Last Friday the votes stood at 24-24.

## 28 GRADS O. K. CAPS, GOWNS

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A gross sum of over \$1,800 has been accumulated by the senior organization, about to accomplish their goal, who started activities as sophomores. Deducting expenditures the net amount totals more than \$1,500, which gives each member of the group 51 cents an hour. The seniors are to receive the 1928 group about \$10 more earnings than the 1927 group. However, reports that the present body is smaller thus compounding a greater sum per capita. There has been a steady increase in the amounts earned by the groups each year.

## TRACK, BASEBALL GAMES ARRANGED

Schedules for Birmingham High School in the two major spring sports, baseball and track, have been announced by Coach George F. Johnson. Diamond contests are:

- Friday, April 29—Berkley at Birmingham.
- Tuesday, April 24—Rochester at Birmingham.
- Friday, April 27—Berkley at Birmingham.
- Tuesday, May 1—Royal Oak at Birmingham.
- Friday, May 11—Grosse Pointe at Grosse Pointe.
- Friday, May 11—Wyandotte at Wyandotte.
- Tuesday, May 15—Ferndale at Ferndale.
- Friday, May 18—Pontiac at Birmingham.
- Tuesday, May 22—Rochester at Rochester.
- Friday, May 25—Port Huron at Port Huron.
- Tuesday, May 29—Pontiac at Pontiac.
- Friday, June 1—Monroe at Birmingham.
- Friday, June 8—Ferndale at Birmingham.

## GIRLS SURVIVE IN SPELL DOWN

Girls made themselves prominent as best spellers when school champions in the Metropolitan Spelling Bee were decided last Friday. Each of the six champions was a member of the fair sex. These six, together with four other members of the team which represented their schools, will meet in the district spelling bee, which will probably be held at the high school, on April 20.

In the Hill School, neither Jack nor Peggy Mills, twins in the sixth grade, who remained up to the end of the line in the grade bee, with Jack finally winning were able to become champions. Peggy was sixth from the end, and Jack fifth; thus Jack will be a member of the team which will represent the school.

The six hard-working young ladies, with their parents' names listed, are: Mary Palmer, 2nd grade, Bay A. Palmer, W. Maple, criticize.

Alans grade—Anna Eggert, 6th grade, Henry Eggert, Adams and Haines, syllable.

Pierce—Louella Marshall, 6th grade, farewell.

Barnum—Jane Long, 5th grade, George Long, 619 Henrietta, ex-citizens.

Hill—Maxine George, 6th grade, Ben George, 429 Martin, citizens.

Baldwin—Junior High—Aley Hoover, 8th grade, C. C. Hoover, 2107 Townsend, and students.

Not only will these thirty spellers contest in the district contest, but representatives from all schools in the district will be present. The winner will, as a prize, receive a certificate entitling him or her to participate in the contest held in the Fair Grounds Coliseum on May 11, and thus will afford him an opportunity to go to Washington as Michigan's representative in the national finals.

## EDITOR'S NOTE: School news on this page is gathered, written and edited by students of Baldwin High School. Most of the work is done by members of the journalism class of the Baldwin High School.

## THRILLS GALORE AWAIT SENIORS ON ANNUAL WASHINGTON TRIP

Many a thrill will the senior class going to Washington this year have as they go from one historical spot to another, says W. S. Toothaker, advisor, and if they are anything at all like the group last year they will get the keenest enjoyment from almost the same sights. The group leaves Saturday.

The tomb of George Washington inspires the boys and girls with most awe. While the others stand with bared heads, the president of the group, (George Conroy this year) is permitted to go inside and place a wreath of flowers on the tomb.

A peep into the Pan-American building means another thrill. Once inside the building, one feels that he is in another world, Mr. Toothaker says. Flowers and plants the like of which can only come from South America and Central America are growing everywhere. Tropical birds of every conceivable hue and variety greet the visitors with piercing shrieks and cries. Tiles and stones brought from their native countries are inlaid in the floor of the Pan-American building and illustrate ancient history of the Aztec Indians who ruled the two southern Americas before the Spaniards wiped them out.

Overlooking the Potomac river and the Shenandoah Valley is a rock called Jefferson's rock. This the seniors will visit and if they get a guide inclined to conversation they will hear the legend grown up about this rock. That it is no more than a legend has been conclusively proved according to Mr. Toothaker.

The story goes that Thomas Jefferson, first president of the United States, used often to sit on the rock. In fact he was there so much that rumor got it he conceived the Declaration of Inde-

pendance and wrote it while there. The cherry blossoms of Washington if warm weather permits them to come out this spring in time for the Baldies to see them, will be another sight worth while.

On Thursday morning, the seniors will visit Old Point Comfort where stands what was once called the Marine Fortress but now converted into a clubroom for the sailors. Day begins for the soldiers with the raising of the flag and the firing of the sunrise gun, two impressive ceremonies. Breakfast is served to the visitors in the officer's mess hall. Then everybody is piled into army trucks and taken to the drill field. One of the exciting moments in the quickly moving events that follow the drills is the firing of the big guns. It takes five men only to gauge the sight of one of these guns, Mr. Toothaker says, a process that is accomplished in almost the twinkling of an eye.

## SYNTHETIC FOOD SEEN FOR SYNTHETIC WORLD

The possibility that the world will some time eat synthetic food from synthetic dishes and wear clothes of the same type was discussed by Marjorie Porter in a report on chemical changes made at the Senior Science club last week at Baldwin High School. She also told of the substitutes that soon might be used in place of coal and wood and of several other changes to be brought on by chemical evolution. Other reports given were "The History of Time" by Helen Manchester, and the "Plethora King" by Jane Sharp hard. Experiments showing the work of the electric generator and the action of camphor gum were so much that rumor got it he conceived the Declaration of Inde-

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