SCHWARZE IS GRID CAPTAIN

Veteran Elected To Pilot Baldwin High In 1929

Herman Schwarze is captain-elect of the 1929 football team at Baldwin High School today following the balloting of 17 Maroon letter men yesterday afternoon.

Two players were candidates for captain, Donald Gore being the other junior eligible for the position. Schwarze won by a single vote, the balloting being nine and eight.

Schwarze will compete in his third year as varsity quarterback in 1929. He succeeds Roderick Cox. His record as a gridder is of the best. Ready football tactics have been displayed by him in the piloting of the team for the past two seasons. He is a triple-threat man in punting, passing and running the ball. He is the third of the Schwarze brothers to compete on a Baldwin team. Preceding him are Carl and Ralph. The latter ended his high school football this season and is captain of the baseball team.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Herman G. C. Schwarze of Kensington road.

Gore was equally eligible for the honor through his powerful display of line backing and defense work in backing up the line. He shared the honor of high scorer with Cox, this season. Each scored eight touchdowns.

HILLS VILLAGE PLANS VOTE

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on a plan submitted by Harry S. Starr, village engineer.

The proposed charter changes would give permission to establish special assessments for highway improvements to be levied according to the benefits derived by the property owners. The charter as it now reads allows assessment only by foot frontage on the road in question. The remainder of the revision bears on technical points in the issuance and sale of bonds. Village Attorney George Cram is preparing the amendments for the ballot.

The proposed improvement for the Lone Pine road will cost $50,000, it was announced by Mr. Starr at the meeting of the village commission in the village offices, Tuesday night. A hearing of the effected property owners was held last month and another is expected. Although it was admitted at the commission that a concrete road would be more advantageous and is probably the ultimate step to be taken in surfacing the road, the total cost set at approximately $90,000 made the project undesirable.

As specified at present Lone Pine road will be curbed, storm sewers placed, and six inches of gravel will be laid. Mr. Starr told the commissioners that with the drainage, curb and gutters in, a concrete surface could be laid at any time by excavating the gravel. The gravel alone costs $10,000 for the 20,000 square yards to be covered. The thoroughfare will be made as wide as is permitted without disturbing trees, landscaping or walls of any of the residents. It will vary between 16 and 24 feet if is believed.

An adjourned meeting of the commission will be held Dec. 11 at the village offices to continue proceedings in conjunction with the special election. A motion made by Commissioner George E. Roehm to place the amendment proposal on the table until further notice was accepted. After a hearing from the property owners and a lapse of 10 days the project will be open for contractor's bids. Following the selection of a contractor the assessor will distribute his roll and the special assessments will be inspected by the board of review. Because of the lengthy procedure, President Luther D. Allen said that the election would probably not be set for a period earlier than February.

The next regular meeting of the commission will be Jan. 10.

NEW STORE OPEN IN WABEEK BLDG.

Expensive woodwork and fixtures are features of the new Wabeek Pharmacy in operation in the Wabeek building since Saturday.

The store is owned and operated by S. R. Miller who is moving to Birmingham from Ferndale where he has another establishment.

A solid walnut strip, 18 feet in length, tops the soda fountain counter. It is said to have been a bar top in a saloon previously. A platform with short stools is another new wrinkle used in connection with the soda fountain. The entire woodwork includes birds-eye maple, walnut and Honduras mahogany. The panels are finished in quartered patterns.

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IN NEW OFFICE

JAMES COBB

Mr. Cobb, the postmaster, and the staff of postal employes are now located in the new post office building on Woodward avenue north of Oakland avenue following the removal from the old office, Monday. The building, recently completed, affords larger quarters.

STORE FOR MEN OPENED HERE

A gentlemen's furnishing goods and sports store is open for business today in the Wabeek building under the management of David Fitch. The store reported to have a select stock of merchandise opened Tuesday.

Mr. Fitch was formerly of New York city and reports brisk opening business.

SMOKE FROM BLAZE IN HOME KILLS BIRD

A fire in the joists and flooring started from an overheated furnace caused little damage but resulted in the death of a canary bird at the home of Dr. John S. Lambie, 600 Floyd street, at 11:25 a. m., yesterday morning it is reported.

A small blaze was extinguished by the firemen with chemicals before it could break through the floor. The men were forced to wear masks because of the density of the smoke. The canary suffocated. The house is owned by Roy Hawthorne.

BIRMINGHAM DELEGATES ATTEND DeMOLAY CONCLAVE IN DETROIT

Forty-eight delegates from the 13 chapters of the southeastern Michigan DeMolay's attended the first annual conclave held at the Palestine Temple, Detroit, Saturday afternoon and evening.

William Spence of the Hassberger chapter of Birmingham was chosen district senior councilor in the election of district officers. The other leaders are Harry Golder, of the Detroit Findlater chapter, elected master councilor; Clinton Titcomb of the Detroit Palestine chapter, junior councilor; John Fulton, Highland Park chapter, district scribe; Crawford Kerr, of the Detroit Ionic chapter, district treasurer.

Take Ballot

The delegation took part in balloting for the officers which were selected as nominees by the nominating committee including a member from each chapter. Rodman Marion was the Birmingham member and also was chairman of the entire committee.

Following a registration at noon the business session was opened by acting chairman Judge Charles Bowles. Frank P. Willcox, district Dad, gave the address of welcome. Alfred Smith of the Ionic DeMolay made the response.

Birmingham was represented by the following chapter members: William Spence, master councilor; Henry Way, acting senior councilor; Sheldon Woodward, acting junior councilor; Clifford Harper, scribe; and a number of other members.

Concver Speaks

The principal speaker at the dinner starting at 6 p. m. was Charles A. Conover, state representative to the Grand Council. Orchestra music was furnished by the Loyalty chapter with impromptu singing and accompaniment. The after dinner program was conducted by William Williamson, toastmaster. An expression of gratitude in the form of a present was made to Wilcox by the chapters for his eight-year service in promoting the organization.

The Palestine chapter conferred the Initiatory degree and the Detroit chapter, the DeMolay degree on two candidates. Sacred music was furnished by a trio composed of Pennock Wollaston, Clarence McMullen and William Spence, accompanied by Shanley Rosso at the organ. All are of Birmingham.

Credit for the success of the conclave was given to the Dads and advisors of the chapters and also to the Birmingham advisor, B. J. Meirow, chairman of the conclave, and Ray Schoenbacher of Detroit chapter, secretary to the District Dads.

1150 ATTEND 26TH BOYS' CONFERENCE HELD AT FLINT

Approximately 1150 boys attended the twenty-sixth annual older boys' conference held in Flint Thanksgiving week-end.

Ten boys and two leaders were present from Birmingham. Dean Nickerson of Oakland avenue, and Alfred Myhers of Chesterfield road, represented the Senior Hi-Y club. Forest Fowler and Gerald Rocheleau went as the representatives of the Rotary club Boys work. James Drumm and Ronald Jones were sent by the Exchange club.

Calvin Morgan and James Stone were the delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Jack Odgen and William Melvin were delegated by the South Birmingham Congregational Church, and Rev. R. M. Atkins, Joseph Dalley and R. D. Lynd accompanied these delegates as leaders.

It is expected that the various delegates will appear before the groups whom they represented and report on the program of the Conference.

According to reports from the local delegation, the object of this gathering was to help older boys think through some of the choices common to boys of this age.

The whole conference of 1150 older boys met Friday afternoon and were addressed by Dr. Charles Gilkey, of the University of Chicago.

Dr. Gilkey urged the boys to choose those things in life that contributed most to character development.

Divide Into Groups

Then the boys divided into group of 25 or 30 boys and suggested problems they wanted to discuss in other meetings. These group discussions were directed by experienced boys workers.

Out of this first discussion, it developed that the boys were interested in "parental relationship," "life vocation," "boy and girl friendships," "religious interests" and "conflict of personal and group standards."

The majority of the boys were concerned about the standards of boy and girl friendships and the choice of a life vocation.

The boys were then divided into small interest groups and discussed in, two, one hour, periods the thing the particular group was troubled about.

This sharing of intimate problems common to all older boys proved to be very helpful, the boys report.

Dr. Gilkey in a second address urged the boys to build up a reserve of a fine sense of honor, a steady loyalty to the best we know, and to build up a capacity to dedicate himself to something better than himself. He also told them not to burn up all their energy in the little things of life, but to build up a reserve for the real opportunities.

Entertained

The boys were entertained Saturday afternoon with games and swimming in both the Y. M. C. A. and the Central High School. Saturday evening, Dr. Spencer, president of Hillsdale College addressed the group on "To him that hath more shall be given, and unto him that hath not, that which he hath, shall be taken away."

He showed how a football team is chosen from fellows who can play football, how a man must first save some money of his own before he can make more money, how knowledge begets knowledge and character begets character.

The delegation is already planning to attend the next meeting which is to be held in Grand Rapids next November.

75 Guests Attend Dinner In Hills

Miss Francis Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Booth, of the Hills entertained 75 guests at a dinner dance Tuesday evening at her home.

The affair honored Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Frost, Jr., of Detroit, who have recently returned from a European wedding trip.

Before her marriage last September, Mrs. Frost was Miss Helen Chalmers well known to Detroit and Hills society.

HILLS FIRE GROUP SOON TO BE NAMED

President Luther D. Allen was authorized by the Bloomfield Hills village commission at its regular meeting, Tuesday night, to appoint three of the board to the fire commission and select three other village residents to meet to organize the fire department.

Delivery on the fire truck and equipment from the American La France company has been delayed, William Story, clerk, was authorized to communicate with the company in rushing the delivery through.

ROAST CAUSES FIRE

A pot roast boiling over on a stove in the basement of the home of Miss Anna Herbison, 405 Forest avenue, at 2:25 p. m., Friday, filled the basement with smoke but caused no damage. Firemen were called on to aid in abating the smoke. Two and a half gallons of soda solution were used to extinguish the blaze.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Luther D. Allen, Oakland County road commissioner: "Oakland County builds one-fifth as many improved roads as those constructed by the state each year."

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Leo Sheeran, Varietl Shop: "Shoppers often wait until the last minute to make their Christmas purchases. Often we have customers coming in as late as 11 p. m. on Christmas Eve for a last minute gift."

WOODWARD LIGHT SOON TO BE REPAIRED

The traffic light at Woodward and Oakland avenues, which has been out of commission several days, will again be in working order at an early date, James Anderson, chief of police said. The delay in repair was caused by the length of time it took to have parts delivered from another city.

VILLAGE COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting of the Village Commission held Monday, Dec. 3, 1928 at 8 P. M.

Present: President Ellerby, Commissioners White, Henry, McBride, Hersey, Hulbert and Halgren.

Absent: None.

Minutes of meetings held Nov. 21 and Nov. 26, 1928, approved as printed.

A hearing was held on the removal of a tree at 121 Pierce St.

681—Moved by Commissioner Hulbert that the tree at 121 Pierce St. be removed.

Yeas: Ellerby, Henry, McBride, Hersey, Hulbert, Halgren. Commissioner White not voting.

682—Moved by Commissioner White that the following bills and pay roll be paid:

Detroit & Security Trust Co., $125.00; Peoples Wayne County Bank, $5,544.50; Labor Payroll, $829.65; Salaries Payroll, $3,622.50; Library Board, $1,400.00; Stanley Peabody, $125.00; Labor Payroll, $204.90; Engineering Payroll, $1,070.02; Watkins & Radcliff, $20.29; Perry Testing Laboratory, $38.00; W. D. Knox, $65.00; Arthur H. Jones, $225.00; Bradley & Andrews, $749.41-80; Jake Domnitch, $340.95; Stewart Agency, $140.56; James A. Eaton, $91-32; Bingham & Bingham, $91.35; J. B. Howarth & Son, $130.50; Hascall & Harwell, $306.32; Loren G. Stason, $5.00; Oakland Realty Co., $91.35; Arthur J. Tuggey, $52.20; R. R. Allen & Co., $52-20; Geo. W. Smith, $4,198.11; Arthur C. Coon, $227.14; Fred A. Son, $10.00; Birmingham Sign Co., $152.60; Charles Blumstead, $67.12; Commissioners Fees, $295.00; G. W. Smith Co., $280.38.

Yeas: 7; Nays: 0.

A petition was received from property owners in the block bounded by Woodward, Frank, Ann and George Streets asking for the opening and improving of an alley in said block.

683—Moved by Commissioner White that the petition above referred to be received and referred to the Village Manager for checking and report.

Yeas: 7; Nays: 0.

684—Moved by Commissioner White that the President and Clerk be authorized to execute a contract with the Harmon-Ness Co. in accordance with their bid for a well.

Yeas: 7; Nays: 0.

685—Moved by President Ellerby that the Manager be authorized to conduct informal negotiations with Royal Oak toward the purchase of the property on Clawson Road, if same can be purchased and operated without involving the Village in legal entanglements, for a sum of not to exceed $2500.00, the terms and conditions of such purchase to be approved by this Commission.

Yeas: 7; Nays: 0.

Moved by Commissioner McBride that the meeting adjourn.

Yeas: 7; Nays: 0.

MYRTLE E. CARSON,
Clerk.

Resolution and Amendment of Charter of the Village of Bloomfield Hills.

I do hereby certify that the following is a true, complete and correct copy of the original resolution passed by the Village Commission of the Village of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, on the 4th day of December, 1928, as the same appears from the records on file in my office.

W. M. STORY,
Village Clerk.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Roehm:

Resolved, that sections 33 and 34 of chapter 10 and sections 34 and 41 of chapter 12 of the charter of the village of Bloomfield Hills as adopted January 24, 1927, be amended to read as hereafter set forth and that said proposed amendments remain on the table for a period of thirty days for final action thereon at a meeting of the Commission to be held on Tuesday, January 8, 1929, and that a copy of this resolution be published as required by law:

Chapter X.

Section 33. The expense of constructing and maintaining bridges, tunnels and subways, and the whole or such part as the Commission shall determine, of the expenses of improving and working, including grading and graveling upon the streets and highways, may be paid from the general highway fund, to be raised by tax upon all the property in the village, subject to the limitations and provisions of Section 35 of this charter. The expense of grading, paving and graveling or otherwise improving any street may, subject to the limitations as to amount prescribed in section 1 of chapter XI, be defrayed by a special assessment upon the lots and premises abutting upon or benefited by such improvement, according to frontage or benefits as the Commission may determine, and the remainder may be paid from the general highway fund, as the Commission may decide. The lots and premises to be assessed for a street improvement as aforesaid shall constitute a special assessment district. The term paving shall include curbing and the construction of crosswalks and the necessary sewer and water connections for abutting lots in the paved streets.

Chapter X.

Section 34. When expenses for any such improvements shall be assessed in a special assessment district, and there shall be funds belonging to the village, school buildings or other public buildings or public grounds not taxable within the district to be assessed for such improvements, such part of the expense of such improvement as in the opinion of the Commission or Board of Assessors making the special assessment would be justly apportionable to such public grounds, buildings and village property, and to any interior squares or spaces formed by the intersection of streets and alleys, were they taxable, shall be paid from the general highway fund, and the balance of such expense shall be assessed upon the taxable lots and premises included in the special assessment district. When such assessment is to be made upon lots in proportion to their frontage upon the improvement, if from the shape or size of any lot an assessment thereon in proportion to the frontage would be unjust and disproportionate to the assessment upon other lots, the Commission or Board of Assessors and Review making the assessments may assess such lot for such number of feet frontage as in their opinion will be just.

Chapter XII.

Section 34. The Commission is authorized and empowered to issue bonds to the amount of any special assessment or to the amount of the aggregate of all the installments of a special assessment in anticipation of the collection thereof. Such bonds shall draw interest at a rate to be determined by the Commission, not exceeding six (6%) per cent per annum, however, and shall be payable out of the Special Assessment District Fund, when the assessment is collected. And if there be any deficiency in the special assessment district fund to meet the payment of such bonds or interest thereon, money shall be advanced from the general funds of the Village to meet such deficiency, and shall be replaced when the special assessments shall be collected. The Commission may provide that special assessment bonds for two or more improvements may be consolidated as a single issue, and in that event all special assessments received from the several districts shall be applied pro rata to the payment of the consolidated issue. Such bonds shall be payable in two years or less, as the Commission shall determine from the time limited for the collection of the special assessment by the Village Treasurer. After the assessment is divided into installments the bonds shall be apportioned against the amounts of the several installments, in such manner as the Commission may determine, and shall severally be payable in two years or less from the time limited for the collection of the several installments by the Village Treasurer. All assessments when collected shall be set apart into a separate fund for the payment of such bonds. Contractors for the construction of street pavements and sewers, may be required to take their pay in such bonds. Said bonds in no event shall be sold or otherwise disposed of at less than their par value plus accrued interest to date of sale.

Chapter XII.

Section 41. No indebtedness shall be incurred by the issue of bonds or otherwise in any sum which including existing indebtedness shall exceed ten per centum of the assessed valuation of the real and personal property within the village subject to taxation as shown by the last preceding assessment roll of the village. Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments shall not be included in this limitation. Moneys on hand in a sinking fund pledged to the payment of indebtedness may be treated as a reduction of such indebtedness to that extent; provided, that in case of fire, flood or other calamity requiring an emergency fund for the relief of the inhabitants of the village, or for the repairing or rebuilding of any of its municipal buildings, works, bridges, tunnels, subways or streets, the commission may borrow money due in not more than three years and in an amount not exceeding one-fourth of one per centum of the assessed valuation of the village, notwithstanding such loan may increase the indebtedness of such village beyond the limitations fixed by this charter. Provided further, that in connection with the acquisition or operation of any public utility which the village is authorized to acquire or operate, the village may issue bonds therefor beyond the general limit of bonded indebtedness above set forth, provided that such mortgage bonds issued beyond the limit of general indebtedness above described, shall not impose any liability upon the village, but shall be secured only upon the property and revenues of such public utility, including the franchise, and shall state be terms upon which in case of foreclosure, the purchaser may operate the same, which franchise shall in no case extend for a period longer than twenty years from the date of the sale of such utility and franchise on foreclosure. Provided, further, that the village shall not have power to issue mortgage bonds to be secured by a mortgage upon such utility in excess of fifty per cent of the amount for which such Village may become indebted by the issue of bonds for such public utility.

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