News of Baldwin and Other Schools

SENIORS AWAIT START OF TRIP

Fifty Class Members To Leave April 7 For Junket To Washington

Fifty members of the Senior Washington group are anticipating the coming trip to the national capitol, today, and are beginning preparations for the seven day eastern tour, for which they have worked in various money-making stunts during the past two years. The group leaves Birmingham April 7 and entrains at the Union depot in Detroit at 2:30 p. m.

In the meetings of the past two weeks, William S. Toothacker, the group advisor, who is experienced in conducting high school groups to Washington, has instructed the members in the proper preparations and described the entire sojourn day by day.

Following the boarding next Saturday afternoon, the train carrying three special cars for Birmingham, will travel to Harpers Ferry, Va. The Baldwinites reach this point, made historic in the beginning of the Civil War, Sunday morning and breakfast at the Hilltop House. While there they see John Browns' fort. Washington greets the eyes of the sight-seers later in the morning and after being established in the Cairo Hotel, the tourists travel to see the new National Cathedral, the Tomb of Woodrow Wilson, Fort Myer, Arlington Cemetery, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Lincoln Memorial and later visit the Library of Congress, Mt. Vernon and the Alexandria Church. The group returns after the first day of inspection around Washington by way of boat on the Potomac river. Three days are spent in the capitol city. It is expected that the travelers will see President Coolidge. Included among the points of interest the group will see on the days following Easter Sunday are, several museums and art galleries including the Smithsonian Institute and others, and the Pan-American building.

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After the capitol and the city which surrounds it have been viewed, Mr. Toothacker's assemblage are taken to Baltimore and thence to Annapolis where Fort McHenry, famous because Francis Scott Key composed the national anthem within its walls, and the naval academy are visited. The group expects to see the marines perform during their short stay at the Navy academy. The Birminghamites then embark upon a boat which travels down Chesapeake Bay to Old Pointe Comfort where they see a historic old fort. While on the boat the minstrel show which was given recently may be again presented in addition to a party. Travel continues from Old Pointe Comfort to Williamburg where William and Mary College the second oldest educational institution in the United States will be seen. From Richmond, Virginia the train bears the tourists homeward through the Shenandoah valley over the highest of the eastern mountains, through a section of Kentucky and north to Cincinnati, Ohio, where the group stay at the Hotel Grand. Leaving here the travelers reach Detroit April 14 and return to Birmingham, footsore and fatigued from seeing so much scenery.

In addition to Mr. Toothacker and Miss Evangeline Pursell, the advisors, several other adults are expected to accompany the group. Some of these are parents of the group members. In all, 59 will take the trip, it is reported.

SCHOOL HEADS GO TO FORDSON

Representatives of Baldwin High School board of education attended the dedication services at the Fordson High School last Thursday evening. They were Clarence Vliet, L. M. Randall, R. J. Coryell, Ray A. Palmer, Guy Jensen and Fred Quarton. After inspecting the entire school they listened to Dr. Clarence C. Little, president of University of Michigan, who was the speaker of the evening.

According to Mr. Vliet the Fordson High School is the largest and best of its kind in the United States. He says that it is most complete in its equipment with a latest type of swimming pool and two gymnasiums. Its facilities for vocational training are remarkably extensive, he says. The library of the school, is decorated in Jacobean style. The high school is 456 feet long, has an enrollment of 1,200 students at present, and is equipped for 2,300 and at capacity may take care of 3,200. The building and equipment cost $2,200,000.

The girls of Baldwin High School are beginning this week to practice for spring sports which include archery, baseball and tennis.

GIRL WINNER OF HIGH HONOR

Marion Quarton Leads List At Baldwin; Mildred Patterson Second

Scholarship honors for the class of 1928 have been announced by Principal Melvin C. Hart. Marion Quarton, by virtue of an average of 96.2 for three and one-half years work is declared class valedictorian while Mildred Patterson with an average of 95.2 is the salutatorian. Marion is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quarton. In addition to her average in scholarship, she has been prominent in extra curricular activities this year being the editor-in-chief of the Baldwinian, the annual publication. Marion is planning to enter the University of Michigan in the fall of 1928.

Mildred Patterson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Patterson of Frank street. She also has played a major part in school activities, being a member of the Baldwinian staff and a noteworthy member of the splendid debating teams of the past two years. Mildred will enter Michigan State College in the fall.

Thirteen other students have attained the coveted honor of receiving averages of 90 or above for the 3½ years work. The grades of the last semester were not included in the computation.

The list of honor students follow with their averages:

Marion Quarton	96.2
Mildred Patterson	95.2
Catherine Lipka	94.9
John Boyd	94.5
Douglas Brien	94.0
Dorothy Bowden	93.55
George Cooney	93.51
Alta Parks	93.4
Sophia Plotkin	92.9
Roger Toothacker	92.7
Jack Spohr	92.5
Rodger Brown	92.1
Vera Gill	91.4
Loretta Porritt	91.1
Dorothy Cook	90.8

Baldwin Briefs

The seven B class of Baldwin High School held a theater party last Friday. After the Birmingham theater, refreshments were served to the group at the high school. Games were played until 10:30 p. m.

The refreshment and entertainment committee was composed of Patricia Ead, Don McAlpine, Esther Shultz, and William Gucklebergr. Miss Rhoda Denmore, ninth grade session room teacher chaperoned as Mrs. Waterman, class advisor, was ill.

The Junior Washington group of the high school held a bake sale last Saturday in Stroups market. This sale was the second in a series which the organization is sponsoring. The affairs are held once a month. Patricia Chandler was chairman of the committee for the recent sale the profit of which was approximately $50.

Due to the fact that Mrs. Lois Hicks, teacher representing the English department of Baldwin High School, has been working with Mrs. Nancy Thomas, head librarian of the Public Library, the burden of outside reading for the English courses will be lightened. In the past the students have been held to the Hartford reading lists and those books which could be found in the school library or in the pupil's private collection, but the reading list of the future will be based on the books in the Public library suitable for class reports. Mrs. Thomas has also ordered books suggested by Mrs. Hicks which will enlarge the number of books available. All the librarians have stated that they are anxious to co-operate in every way possible with the school in regard to reference work or other matters in which the library would be of use.

The Eight B arithmetic class of Baldwin High School under the supervision of Miss Frieda Hugget is studying banking this week. The course necessitated a visit to a bank which was made Tuesday morning to the Birmingham Saving Bank. The class was shown the vault and a recent shipment of currency, the safety deposit boxes and keys, bank checks and notes, and lastly the charter of the bank.

Work on the new Girl Reserve song books has been started, songs turned in by groups in other communities are being copied ready to mimeograph. These books will be in circulation in all the clubs throughout the state. Margaret Strand, interclub musician, has charge of publishing the songs, and is supervising a group of village members.

In the absence of Miss Mae Brumstead the senior high school operetta, "The Toreadors," to be given next Thursday is continuing its rehearsals under the supervision of Miss Esther Barth who has charge of the speaking parts. The entire cast met for the first time, Saturday morning in the Baldwin Auditorium.

The quarterly meeting of the Oakland County Schoolmen's club was held last night in the Royal Oak High School. Dinner was served at 6:30. Charles McKinney, president of Ypsilanti Normal College was the speaker on the program. This club meets quarterly to discuss problems of education.

METHODIST FIVE COURT VICTORS

Rallying from their defeat of a fortnight ago, the Methodist Episcopal Church team defeated the White Sox, a group of High School students in a fast court game at the Adams Junior High gym last Thursday.

Rollins for the White Sox and Dally for the M. E. quintet were the individual stars.

M. E.		W. Sox
Ellerby	RF	Dixon
Jewell	LF	Rollins (c)
Dalley	C	Moss
Williams	RG	Gore
McClure (c)	LG	Geisel

Substitutions: Drumm for Williams, Williams for Drumm, Drumm for Williams, F. Schwarze for Geisel.

Goals: Dalley 3, Ellerby 2, Jewell, Williams, Dixon 2, Rollins 2.

Foul Goals: Moss 2, Dalley, Ellerby, Rollins.

Fouls: Jewell 4P, 2T; McClure P; Rollins 2F, T; Gore 4P; Moss 2 P.

Referee: H. Schwarze (BHS)

Score by quarters:

M. E.	3	0	4	9	—16
W. S.	1	2	4	4	—11

VLIET ATTENDS R. O. DEDICATION

At the invitation of the Royal Oak board of education, Clarence Vliet, superintendent of public schools, attended the dedication exercises of the new Royal Oak High School last Friday evening. The assembly was held in the auditorium which has a seating capacity of 1,200.

Dr. Clarence Cook Little, president of the University of Michigan, gave the dedication address. The new school was accepted by James Lawson, acting mayor of Royal Oak, who spoke in behalf of the city. A bust of Abraham Lincoln, a replica of the one at Urbana, Ill., was presented to the school by George A. Dondero, president of the board of education.

The building was open to the public Thursday evening when an old time party was given.

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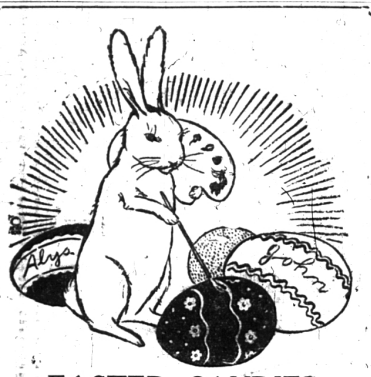

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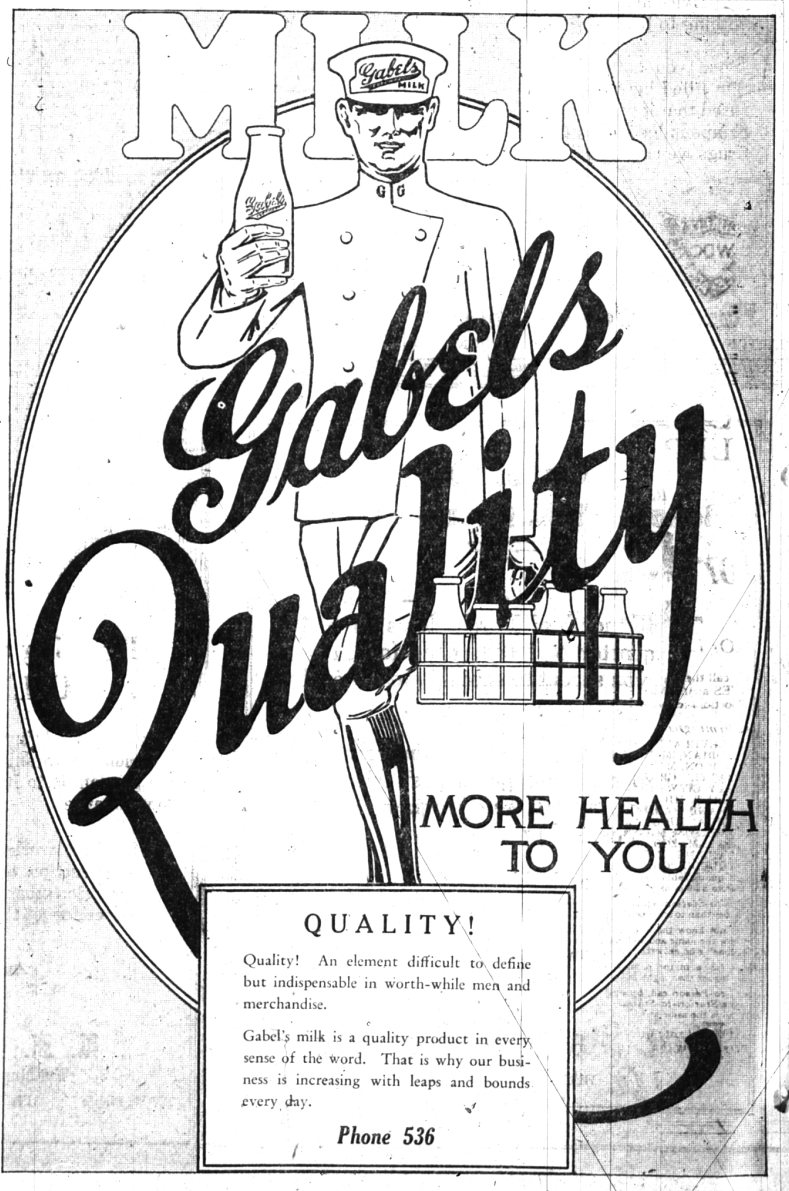

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