

FIREMEN WIN LEAGUE TITLE

Crowd Of 400 Sees Defeat Of Eastern Michigan Outfit

By JOHN CHANDLER
More than 400 people watched the Firemen defeat the Eastern Michigan Motorists team, 8 to 3, Friday evening to win the organization league championship of the Y. M. C. A. softball association. The game was the final and deciding tilt of a three game series between the two teams, Eastern Michigan, winners of the first half, and the Firemen, victors of the second half schedule.

The Firemen took an early lead when they scored two runs in the first frame. Four hits in this inning gave the smoke-eaters their runs. In the following frame the Firemen again registered two runs although they made but one sacrifice. As the game progressed, it was apparent that the early inning advantage gained by the Firemen would be enough to win the struggle. Jack Moore, Firemen hurler, set the Eastern Michigan batters down with monotonous regularity and held them to five hits during the entire contest.

The bumen were blanked in the first three frames but a short-lived rally in the fourth gave them two runs and brought the score to 2 to 2 in favor of the Firemen. In the next stanza, the Firemen leaped on the offerings of Tomes, Eastern Michigan hurler, and scored two more tallies on three clean hits.

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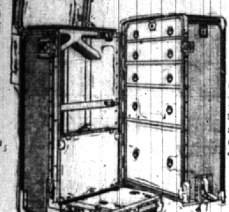
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Leagues To Pick All-Star Teams

In next week's issue of the Eccentric, an all-star team for each league in the local Y. M. C. A. softball association will appear. These all-star teams are being determined by a ballot of team managers unopposed by the officials.

There will be 12 men on each all-star team, two pitchers, a catcher, four infielders, three outfielders, and a utility man for the infield and the outfield will constitute the aggregation.

According to Robert Lynd, Y. M. C. A. secretary, games for the league between the Commercial League all-star team and the Organizational all-star outfit during the last week of August.

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Summer Cuts Park Costs

(Continued from page 1, part 2) a net profit of \$114.44 was reported in the monthly audit and profit and loss statements. This reduced the loss sufficiently to make it appear that the entire month's expenses were expected to be self-supporting, and the amount which it being made up rapidly during the year is quite remarkable, Mr. Bayley says.

Receipts for the month totaled \$2,060.27. Expenses were \$1,945.83, leaving a net profit of \$114.44, and insurance \$34.62, leaving the gross profit of \$266.94. Accounts payable July 31 totaled \$730.03, which less the accounts payable June 30, left a balance of \$245.76. Inventories for July 31 and June 30 showed a net profit of \$114.44.

Loss for the first six months of 1931 is figured at \$1,078.67, and this figure was decreased to \$639.23 for the first seven months. Each succeeding month until winter is expected to materially reduce this figure.

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Beginners', Swimmers', Life-Saving Tests Passed In Summer

Thirty-nine Birmingham boys and girls are to receive American Red Cross swimming pins for their work at Barnum pool, according to the report of E. T. Engel, instructor at the pool.

Of this number 11 girls and nine boys will receive beginners' pins, 17 girls will receive swimmers' pins, one girl will receive the Junior Red Cross lifesaving badge, and two men will receive the Senior Red Cross lifesaving badge.

More than 200 boys and girls in the village were taught to swim last summer. The number this summer has been reduced to 29, ostensibly because, as Coach Engel says, "Birmingham has become water-sensational."

The number of boys and girls attending regular periods at the pool has shown a great decline this summer as a result of admission charge, but Mr. Engel believes that the principal reason for the decrease is because many were taught to swim last summer and during the past school year.

The list receiving awards is as follows:

Beginners: Girls—Leanne Callagrove, Mary Flitns, Phyllis Flemington, Barbara Flemington, Patty Schooler, Jane Ellerby, Mary O'Connor, Esther Smith, Nancy Fletcher, Joy Wangberg, Dorothy McCormick; Boys—James Hughes, Paul Hodge, Junior Schwartz, Harold Wangberg, Arthur Miller, Norman Parter, Richard Green, Jack Ley, Maurice O'Connor.

Swimmers—Mary Hogan, Margabelle Clark, Lois Lockrow, Margaret Clark, Margaret Tracy, Letitia Spinning, Joan Hart, Marguerite Smith, Elizabeth Kienka, Phyllis Starr, Betty Miller, Esther Smith, Marilyn Thompson, Lois Boyce, Susan Hartman, Jane Fletcher, Mary Eilam.

J. R. C. Lifesaving—Betty Peabody.

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