

# Name District Spring Meet Entrants

## GRADES PICK WORD CHAMPS

Three 1931 Winners Repeat in Spelling Bee Preliminaries

Three local champions in last year's Detroit Metropolitan spelling contest again showed their talent by repeating last year's victories when grade winners were chosen in Birmingham schools Friday.

Those who won dictionaries for the season time were Jane Hyde and Mary Sdunek, both of Adams Junior High School, and Barbara Johnson of Barjum Grade School.

School and district champions will be chosen later in the spring from the grade winners named Friday. The winners, together with the words on which they won their titles, were as follows:

Adams School  
Fifth grade, Loren Robinson,

judgment; sixth grade, Dall Jan, istimus; seventh grade, Jane Hyde, necessities; eighth grade, Mary Sdunek, mackintosh.

Barjum School  
Fifth grade, Frances Wimsitt, proceed; sixth grade, Barbara Johnson, istimus; seventh grade, Victor Gantner, embarrase; eighth grade, Margaret McKee, dysentery.

Baldwin School  
Seventh grade, Ellen Hogan, legislature; eighth grade, Edward Horton, vigilance.

Quarion School  
Fifth grade, Nell Wasay, necessary; sixth grade, Bruce Corson, develop.

Pierce School  
Fifth grade, Betty Jean Stevenson, company; sixth grade, Faith Parkin, earnest.

## HEAVYWEIGHTS WIN BARNUM CAGE TITLE

First place in the Barnum Junior High School intramural basketball competition was awarded to a team in the heavy weight division captained by Cecil Morehead when it scored an easy victory over the champion team in the lightweight division Tuesday, 45 to 15.

## Coaching 5 Varsity Sports Is Just One of His Duties

School Athletic Director Builds Envyable Record in Four Years

Coach of five senior high school sports and in charge of a junior high school's athletics besides his regular class-room program, is the record of Ernest T. Engel, athletic director of Birmingham schools built up in the four years that he has been a member of the faculty.

Mr. Engel arrived at Baldwin in the fall of 1928 as cross-country, basketball and baseball coach, coming from East Detroit where he had already turned out winning teams. He served at these posts for two years and all of his squads turned in good records.

With the completion of the new Barnum Junior High School in 1930, Mr. Engel was appointed to take charge of athletics there and to coach the boy's swimming teams.

In two years he has produced one winning court five and one that was undefeated. His swimming teams have also done some notable work. The Barnum Junior boys' team captured first place in the junior high meet last year. The Baldwin varsity squad took third place in the state meet last season, and, in spite of lack of practice, fourth place this season.

When the late George F. Johnson retired as a result of illness in the middle of the 1930-31 football season, Mr. Engel and Miles Robinson, the present gridiron mentor, finished the schedule.

Mr. Engel is one of the most popular of Birmingham coaches, which undoubtedly is one of the big reasons for his success here. He is a graduate of Michigan State Normal College, where he took an active part in football, basketball and baseball for three years.

## BARNUM STUDENTS TO GIVE OPERETTA

Elaborate Production Of Chinese Play Scheduled For Wednesday

What promises to be one of the largest and most elaborate junior high school performances ever staged in Birmingham will be presented next Wednesday evening by the students of Barnum School when they draw the curtain on their second annual operetta. The title of the production is "The Tea House of Sing Lo," a two-act operetta written by Richard Prothero.

Franklyn Phillips heads the cast in the part of Sing Lo, the proud owner of a Chinese tea house. Irving Jones carries the comedy part in the role of a servant. Sing Lo's two daughters will be represented by Lorraine Elliot and Jane Snyder. Others having major parts in the production are Helen Kidder, Miss Wilma Ward, George Frye and Frances Loftis.

The production is under the direction of Mrs. Edith Coryell, who is being assisted by Mrs. Geraldine Forsythe, Miss Brown and Miss Leila McCormick.

A new back-drop which has been made by the students, under the supervision of Mrs. Helen Kidder, will make its first appearance at the operetta. The scenery has been prepared under the direction of Alfred Schalm.

The ticket sale is being managed by Miss Gertrude Herrick, assisted by Earl Wilson, who has charge of the advertising.

Arrangements are being made to seat 600 persons.

## Winter Intrudes On Spring Frolic

Galeses, Fur Coats Abound At Annual Baldwin Basketball Dance

A Varsity Spring Frolic in the middle of winter—such was the case Friday night when the Baldwin High School students donned their galeses and covered pretty spring frolics in winter attire to attend the annual basketball dance in the Baldwin gym. This year the Girls' Athletic Association and the Varsity Club combined to sponsor the dance, given in honor of the girls' and boys' basketball teams and the varsity swimming team.

The guests entered the gym through an arbor which disclosed a transformation of yellow, green and archid. Each basket held a bouquet of colorful balloons and the stage gave the appearance of a terrace garden illuminated by orchid and flame lights. The music furnished by the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club orchestra, issued from a latticed summer house, built in the middle of the floor.

During intermission, Coach Franklyn Whitney was presented with a traveling bag as a token of appreciation for his basketball team and Captain John Rotting received a pocketbook from members of the swimming team.

At the stroke of 11, balloons, confetti and paper streamers were released from the balcony.

## Boys' Glee Club To Sing At Play

Musical entertainment for the Junior Class mystery play, "Oh, Kay," to be presented in the High School auditorium Mar. 21, will be supplied by the Boys' Glee Club under the baton of Miss Mae Brumsted. Several numbers have been selected to be sung before and between the acts.

The production is being coached and directed by Earle Corvont and Miss Ruth Hull.

Committee chairmen have been chosen for the various phases of preparation. Ticket sales are being conducted by Mary Palmer and Jack Payton; Fred Boynton, in charge of publicity; Fred Cushing, heads the properties group, and Robert Bertroughs is the stage manager.

## READINGS FEATURE SENIOR ASSEMBLY

Several readings by Mrs. Fred Crawford comprised the principal entertainment at the senior high assembly conducted by the junior class Friday in Baldwin Auditorium.

Mrs. Crawford's selections included an amusing sketch of a professor at a ball game, impersonations of various foreigners on their first sight of the Statue of Liberty, and a monologue of a husband and wife.

Others took part in the program were Yvonne Gay, fancy dancer; Harold Stephenson, bass soloist, and the high school band, Jack Payton, junior class president, acted as master of ceremonies.

## RELIGIOUS PROGRAM PLANNED AT ADAMS

Under the direction of Miss Muriel Brusie, the students of the Adams School will present a short assembly tomorrow morning.

The program will include a presentation of short stories on the life of Christ in commemoration of Good Friday.

## PLAYERS CITED AT CRANBROOK

Letters Awarded To Varsity Cagers, Wrestlers For Past Season

Letters were awarded to members of varsity Cranbrook School basketball and wrestling teams last Thursday afternoon by the Athletic Awards Committee composed of team captains and coaches. The following students were awarded letters in basketball:

Richard Harfst, Fred Ward, James Wilcox, Gustaf Persson, Keith Pattengill, Palmer Beaudette, Walter Heaverlich, Ben Milner, Henry Rauch, Pittsburgh Harriette and Charles Hawley.

In spite of the fact that this is the first season the school has had a wrestling team, wrestling was made a varsity sport in view of the team's excellent record against many of the more experienced competitors. The following boys were awarded letters in the sport by the committee:

Carl Clement, Jack Shaffner, Lyman Craig, Bruce Beaudette, Earnest Kern, Benjamin Osburn and Russel Devlin.

No letters were awarded in hockey because of the lack of a schedule, due to the absence of ice.

## Juniors, Sophomores Tie For Cage Lead

Seniors, Fresh Trail At End Of Second Round In Class League

At the end of the second round of the intramural basketball program being played at Baldwin, the juniors and sophomores were tied for first place, with the seniors and fresh bringing up the rear.

The juniors have defeated the seniors, 18 to 17, and the freshmen, 31 to 13. The sophomores have drubbed the fresh, 38 to 15, and the seniors, 18 to 16.

The varsity men were allowed to play on teams of the upper three classes, and to offset this advantage over the ninth grade, the freshmen were given a 10-point handicap in each of their games.

McBride of the sophomore five was high point man of the series during the first two rounds with 19 points. Schwartz, of the same team, was second with 17.

## The Talkie Influence

Mother (severely)—Stay in that corner till you are sorry. Any more rudeness and I'll put you to bed.

Young Incoercible—Said she—Punch.

Alibi  
"Heavens, Your mudguard is all smashed. Did you bump into something?"

"No. We were standing perfectly still and a fire hydrant skidded into us."—Boston Transcript.

## The Nightly Dose

Father (at radio)—I suppose you'd like to hear the bedtime story.

Tommy (yawning)—Yes, dad, I'm ready for the bunk.

## Government Relief

Six—Well, that income tax business is attended to and I feel relieved.

Dix—Of how much?

## Syracuse's K. O. Kid

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Atherton, formerly of Birmingham, now of Scarsdale, N. Y., recently received a letter from Ira M. Smith, registrar of the University of Michigan, congratulating them on the splendid record which their son George made his first semester at the university. A copy of the letter was sent to Melvin C. Hart, principal of Baldwin High School. Atherton was graduated from Baldwin in June, 1931.

## JUNIOR HIGH PLANS GOOD FRIDAY CHAPEL

Students of Baldwin High School will recognize Good Friday with a short chapel tomorrow morning.

The assembly will be in charge of the eighth and ninth grades of the school, and under the direction of Mrs. Lida Hicks.

Rev. W. Clarence Wright will give a short talk on "Good Friday." The program also includes vocal selection by Joseph Saunders and a piano duet by Olive Cross and Wilma Wood.

## In nearly every instance the expensive classified ads I insert in The Eccentric get me quick and satisfactory results," one Birmingham woman told another, "I would sell you the entire agency message to the entire agency and that is what gets me a new maid or sells some article I no longer have use for in my home."

Joe Moran, 150-pound member of Syracuse university's boxing team, is a sensation in collegiate ring circles. He's kayaked 17 college foes. Joe hails from Niagara Falls, N. Y., and at that name Moran who starred last fall on the Orange football team.

## Little Chats About Your Health

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