

# School and Sports

## Essay Contest on Huron-Clinton Parkway Explained to Students Wednesday

### Watch Out, Folks! The Law's Going On a Rampage

Commercial law Students of Baldwin High School will run a night court during the carnival on Friday night. Those who are ready to argue anyone who is acting, drifting, loitering, resisting an officer, stealing or monopolizing dance partners or using obscene language.

Once arrested, the violator will be taken to the court room where a case will be tried.

The two judges who will pass sentence on the guilty are Harold Joy and Bill Brown.

The prosecuting attorneys are Don Wise and Jack Benny while the attorneys for the defense will be Bill Brown, Pat Wilkinson, Mildred McKinney, and Elaine Schroeder.

The jail which will house the guilty offenders who are unable to pay their fines will be manned by Chuck Walker and Harry Severson.

Jane Weller and Virginia Olsen are the court clerks while the court stenographers are Marjorie Kalk and Pat Wilkinson.

The boys who will serve as policemen are Bob Bell, Ted Marquette, Bruce MacGregor, Joseph Allan, Bob Brady, Leslie Howey, Dick Harrell, Dick Reekse, Harry Evon, and Carmel Stanger.

### 15 from Birmingham Are U. of D. Grads

Among the first ten of over 250 graduates represented at the school, Birmingham has contributed 15 high school graduates to the present enrollment at the University of Detroit, a recently completed survey reveals. The survey, made for the purpose of determining geographical distribution of the University's students, was made by the Student Council Bureau of the University.

Besides 34 state, throughout which the above communities are scattered, the count also included five foreign countries, including China. The foreign students, for the most part, are enrolled in the Engineering College. Of the graduates from Michigan, it was found to have the largest number, boasting the entire first ten communities on the list.

### Eccentric to Give \$10 in Prizes for Local Winners

An essay contest on the Huron-Clinton Parkway project, the great long-range recreational plan enveloping five counties in southeastern Michigan, was explained to students at Baldwin High School, Wednesday morning, in a talk by Dr. Henry S. Curtis, executive secretary of the project. The Eccentric will award the prize for Birmingham, if consisting of \$6 for first and \$4 for second.

The winner of first here may compete for the Oakland County contest, where the prizes total \$85, while the County winner will compete for the area prizes of \$10.

The essays must be between 500 and 1,000 words in length and on a subject connected with the Huron-Clinton-Parkway Park and Parkway project.

The 1939 legislation provided for the establishment of a Metropolitan Authority or Commission to develop the plan providing the people favor it in a referendum to be held in November, 1940.

### Seniors Taking Vocational Tests

In order to determine if possible the vocations for which students are best fitted, a series of seven vocational guidance tests is being issued to the 12B's under the supervision of Lloyd Chapman.

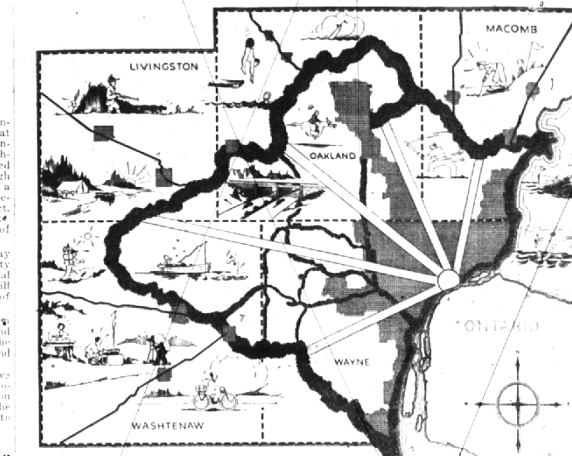
These tests are taken during home room periods, and are given at a cost of 25 cents per set.

Mr. Chapman spoke last Friday in the two 12B honorariums and explained the purpose of the tests, and the method of compiling results. He then answered all questions asked here.

It has been thought that if students begin taking these tests in the tenth grade, the results would be of considerably more value; however, this has not been put in effect yet, and if the 10B's show no more enthusiasm than they have to date, the method of examination will continue under the present system.

### Starlight Serenade Enjoyable Dance

The Starlight Serenade held in the Baldwin High School auditorium last Friday proved to be one of the most outstanding dances of the tenth grade, the results would be of considerably more value; however, this has not been put in effect yet, and if the 10B's show no more enthusiasm than they have to date, the method of examination will continue under the present system.



Although ideally suited to recreational development, the five counties constituting the Detroit metropolitan area—Wayne, Washtenaw, Livingston, Oakland and Macomb—are sadly deficient in public bathing beaches and other recreational facilities. The State and Federal agencies have shown interest in the area, but only 20 per cent of the recreational areas they need, according to the national standard.

The situation, however, will be remedied if the voters of the area approve the Detroit-Huron-Clinton Parkway Playground. Proposed in the election of November 1940, Public Act No. 147 of the 1939 State Legislature provides that in the forthcoming convention there will be in the five counties the citizens of the area cast a Metropolitan Authority and Metropolitan Park District will be established and planning of the new facilities for play can be started immediately.

The picture-map, above, shows what could be done in the area. Through the valleys of the Huron and Clinton Rivers, from Lake Erie to Lake St. Clair, would wind the proposed Detroit-Huron-Clinton Parkway Playground. A chain of diversified recreational facilities, in two ends could be connected by a pleasing drive along the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair.

The system of parks, play grounds, bathing beaches, scenic shelters, bicycle riding and nature trails, fishing and boating areas, picnic grounds, and other activities for pleasure seekers could be quickly and easily reached over new express highways radiating from the heart of Detroit and extending to the coast.

These express highways would pass over or about existing streets and thoroughfares. They would be constructed without interruptions or traffic jams to hinder and delay motorists. Expansive recreational lands are far destinations beyond the area.

### Mothers Honor Basketball Team

In honor of members of the 1939 Baldwin High School basketball team and coach, the mothers gave a dinner Friday night, April 6, at the Community House.

Following the dinner was a program with Coach Francis W. Wray presiding as toastmaster. The invocation was said by William M. Merrill, Sr., and speeches were given by Ray H. Bechtold, principal of Baldwin High School, and Howard D. Olson, superintendent of schools.

Sheldon Olson, team manager, presented the coach with a certificate from the team. The program concluded with singing.

The chairman of the dinner was Mrs. William M. Merrill and Mrs. Howard D. Olson.

Mrs. H. Ross had arranged for the Community House and the dinner, assisted by Mrs. H. H. Fisher, who was president of the dinner.

Mrs. Harry Bechtold was in charge of decorations.

Programs were shaped like basketballs.

### Poppleton Students Hear of Mexico

Constante, Braden, of Clawson, traveler, lecturer and writer, talked to Poppleton grade school, corner of Cross and Big Beaver Roads, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Braden showed the children a number of beautiful mementoes of her trip in Mexican arts and crafts, painted pottery, silver filigree jewelry, scarves, blankets, etc. After the lecture a round table discussion was held.

### Hamtramck Group Presents Program

A exchange assembly was presented for Baldwin High School students by the light opera group from Hamtramck High School, Detroit, April 4, in the school auditorium.

A woman fan at a baseball game was the subject of an excellent, very good monologue given by a cast of amateur actors dressed for the occasion.

Entertained by Herbert Nisbet, through a song for a comedy was arranged and under the direction of Edward Oshoff, music directed by the light opera group then gave what was undoubtedly one of the best assemblies ever presented at Baldwin High School.

Taking the first set of numbers from the Student Prince and other numbers from Hamtramck High School, the group gave a performance that was almost professional in its excellence.

As sponsor of the exchange assembly from Bitterwater and God Bless America.

### Clawson Sending Four to Boys' State

CLAWSON.—Examination candidates for the Boys' State will be held at the Clawson High School, Tuesday, April 9, at 2 P. M. under the direction of Staff W. H. Royce.

Next year the American Legion with the assistance of other local civic organizations are sponsoring a boys' state at the site of the Boy's Life Camp on the school grounds.

Any boys who are attending school or not, who has reached his 16th birthday on or before January 20 and has not reached his 20th birthday on the 20th of June is eligible for the "State."

The tests to be given will be of the organization type which will be given to all worthy home membership, use of leisure time, good citizenship, leadership and character, etc.

All boys interested in taking the examination are urged to contact Clawson High School at once.

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### Aviation As A Vocation

"Ladies note: The writer of this article was inspired by a recent article in the Eccentric on a student interest questionnaire revealing high interest in Civil Air Corps. He lives at Franklin, has a brother in the 9th group, Birmingham High School."

By A. E. Downer  
To the youth of today—

If you are planning a future in aviation, start preparing for it in your high school course. Take all the mathematics (algebra, geometry, trigonometry), physics, chemistry, mechanical, drafting and English that is offered. Do not be content to merely "get by" with a minimum of knowledge.

Aviation presents a challenge to one to always do his best.

Three main fields are open in aviation, i.e., engineering, plotting and mechanics. The young man who would do well seek information and counsel relative to the requirements and qualifications for each before making his decision.

Strictly Regulated  
No one is permitted to be licensed as an aviator until he has met the requirements of the Federal Civil Aeronautics Act of 1928 in conjunction with the United States Civil Aeronautics Authority to prescribe and issue civil air regulations. These regulations include the minimum standards and qualifications for the personnel engaged in aircraft work and flying.

Many colleges, universities and advanced vocational schools offer engineering training in aeronautics. The requirements for an engineer are very generally known and counselors can give good authoritative advice.

Three Ways  
Flying instruction can be had in at least three ways—through flying clubs or private instruction at most are arranged by enrolling in pilot training in an "approved" flying school; or by attending a college for two or more years and the making application to the Army or Navy flying corps. The first mentioned would include the Civil Aeronautics Authority's Flight Training program recently established in many of the colleges and universities.

Pilot ratings are classified as—  
Student Pilot Rating  
Solo Pilot Rating  
Private Pilot Rating  
Limited Commercial Pilot Rating  
Commercial Pilot Rating  
Airline Transport Pilot Rating

Further sub-division is made as to weight of plane and whether it is single or multi-engine. For specific requirements, see the Civil Air Regulations. In general, the first requirement is a satisfactory physical examination by a doctor designated by the Civil Aeronautics Authority. For ratings after the Student Pilot the applicant must show a minimum of 16 hours of flying time and write satisfactory examinations over such subjects as Civil Air Regulations, meteorology and navigation, theory of flight, maintenance of aircraft

### Coal Movie Show

On Tuesday, April 9, a representative of the Public Coal Corporation will be in Birmingham to present the movie "Mining Coal."

This three-reel movie proved to be very interesting. It showed how coal is mined, separated into different sizes and transported to a shipping center. It also showed the daily life of the miners.

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### Time Limits

The first three ratings are good for one year, the others for six months unless sooner revoked for cause. The requirements for renewal are similar to those just mentioned.

Two Ratings  
Aircraft Mechanic Rating  
Aircraft Engine Mechanic Rating

To gain either, or both of these, the applicant must have met the requirements of training, testing, and complete satisfactory oral, written, and practical examinations on the Civil Air Regulations, theoretical and practical knowledge of aircraft structure and systems, how to properly inspect, maintain, repair and overhaul the same.

Men and ratings are good for two years unless sooner revoked for cause. To renew a rating the holder must have worked at least 50 per cent of the time of his rating or work for a minimum of 100 hours through satisfactory examinations that he has kept up with the advancement in the field. The field for licensed mechanics is large and the opportunity for specialization in the field is almost without limit.

By approved flying school, or approved mechanics school, or by means of a school approved by the Civil Aeronautics Authority as to equipment, course content and instruction, standards maintained for the purpose of giving instruction in one or more branches of aviation listed in the school's approved certificate.

### No, Polly Doesn't

EDMORE (M.P.A.)—Polly wasn't a creeper! Not the parrot named Mrs. and Mrs. Bert Brooks. What he wants is a finger. That's probably why the bird bit Tom Hayak's local farmer on the right hand as he was feeding it. Huyek was treated for infection.

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Ten \$100 prizes to be awarded in the FORD DEALERS' NICKNAME

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Follow these 3 Simple Rules  
1 See any Ford, Mercury or Lincoln-Zephyr dealer in the territory shown on the map. Pick out any used car in his stock. When you've made your down payment, the dealer or his salesman will give you a certified, self-addressed and post-paid Entry Card.  
2 Write or print on the card a nickname for the car you bought, using not more than five words. Mail the card! It must be postmarked not later than midnight of April 18.  
3 The ten best nicknames as determined by the judges will each be awarded a \$100 cash prize within a week after the contest closes. Decisions of the judges will be final. In case of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded. The judges are: Hon. John Carey, Mayor of Dearborn, Mich.; G. D. Gettys, Automobile Editor, Toledo Blade; Gordon Kingburn, Director of Advertising Courses, Wayne Univ.; (NOT ELIGIBLE) Ford Dealers or their families, Ford dealers employes or their families.)

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