

# Baldwin High School Gridders Start Practice Tuesday

## But Two Lettermen Returning From Last Year's Starting Eleven

By JACK RIGDEN

The call for football candidates was issued this week by George Wurster, high school football coach, who requests that all prospective gridders meet him Tuesday morning at Pierce Field.

Wurster said that he expects to have around 80 boys out for the team this year. With 15 lettermen gone, many of these rookies will have a chance of making the varsity.

He will have but two lettermen from last year's starting eleven. These are Hugh Mack and Dick Neely.

**Will Experiment**  
Wurster, late last semester, stated that he expected to experiment with his year's eleven a great deal, just as an experiment last year changed Birmingham's all-state back, Dick Wenzell, from end to halfback.

This year, according to tentative plans, Wurster hopes to put Neely at tackle instead of end to take advantage of his power. He also indicated that he hopes to make Dutch Olson back into an end, where he played in 1938.

One of the biggest holes to fill will be blocking back. With the graduation of Lefty Calkins last year, a capable substitute has as yet not been found.

Present hope calls for Frank Armstrong at end, with a new player to fight for the other flank. Joe Adams seems to have the center post, but a tremendous fight for tackle and guard positions is in evidence. In the backfield Dick Hopkins and Ken Kirby seem set at the halves, with Hugh Mack certain at fullback, but blocking back is wide open.

**Need Reserve Strength**  
This year's squad will have a good first team, but will lack experienced substitutes, which a winning team must have. However, with 80 candidates, Baldwin should produce another winner.

Birmingham will, however, have many returning veterans. These include ends Frank Armstrong and Jim Lee; tackles, Bill Tighe, Al Jones, Dale Kennedy; guards, Dale Ballard, Don Hodzick; center, John Adams; fullbacks, Hugh Mack, Joe Armstrong, Bill Merrill; halfbacks, Phil Brestineyer, Ken Kirby and Bill Hopkins.

The opening game on the schedule is the Cranbrook tilt, Sept. 27, slated for Pierce Field. Games

## Softball League Nears Playoffs; Teams Near Sure

Heading into the last week of regular season play finds that the playoff positions in the softball league are practically set with McManus still heading the loop and Mortimer, Dayner's, Buick, Franklin and White Cruiser following in that order.

There is still a slight chance that North End A. C. might nose out Cruiser for the sixth playoff berth. However, this is only a mathematical chance. Cruiser would have to drop practically all of its remaining games while North End was winning all.

McManus, of course, will go into the series a slight favorite, although not so strongly as it would have last month. The McManus boys have been extremely lucky lately and are prime for an upset.

This week's program was again curtailed by rain with several postponing tilts both Monday and Tuesday nights. Last week's games, however, were one of the biggest upsets of the season when White Cruiser slapped Mortimer's team with a 15 placed in the dark.

On the same night Franklin notched its 13th victory of the season by bowling Birmingham Fruit over via the extra innings.

On Friday night White Cruiser won another game when North End, for some unknown reason, failed to appear.

Although the finish of the teams is still in doubt, it should be a hard battle to the finish. There is plenty of important games this week and next. Tonight Buick and Birmingham Fruit at Barnum will meet Mortimer's challenges Post Office at Torrey.

No games are scheduled for Monday night; however, several postponed games are on tap.

On Tuesday night Birmingham Fruit plays North End at Barnum, while McManus takes Wade's and Franklin mixes with Post Office. Wednesday night finds an important game on tap when Mortimer's plays host to Buick at Hill school. This battle will decide second place.

Thursday, Fisher's will play Mortimer's, on Friday Franklin fights with Buick and Dayner's meet Post Office.

As there will be no more than three games in any playoff round, only three fields will be used, one being vacant during this period. Poppleton is not likely to be used for it has no backstop or good bases.

**SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS**

Team	W	L	Pct.
McManus	16	0	1.000
Mortimer's	13	3	.807
Dayner's	15	4	.789
Buick	10	4	.714
Franklin	13	5	.705
White Cruiser	10	6	.625
North End A. C.	7	10	.413
Post Office	4	10	.281
Fisher's	4	13	.245
Bham Fruit	4	13	.231
Wade's	4	14	.222

**COMING GAMES**

Day	Time	Home	Away
Thursday	8:00	Buick	Bham Fruit, at Barnum.
		Mortimer's	Post Office, at Torrey.
Friday	8:00	Bham Fruit	White Cruiser, at Post Office.
Friday	8:00	McManus	Wade's, at Hill.
Friday	8:00	Franklin	Mortimer's, at Hill.
Friday	8:00	Dayner's	Post Office, at Poppleton.
Friday	8:00	White Cruiser	North End A. C., at Poppleton.
Friday	8:00	Post Office	Fisher's, at Poppleton.
Friday	8:00	Birmingham Fruit	McManus, at Torrey.

**BIRD BESTS FISHERMEN**  
Tag No. 2071, placed on a 11 1/2 inch brook trout released at Lincoln Bridge on the Pine river in November, 1938, by men of the conservation department's institute for fisheries research, was recovered recently from the stomach of a shot American merganser. This is the third such recovery of these tags in Michigan waters.

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## NOT IN THE NAVY



They're home now, but until a few days ago these three were at Culver Summer School. This picture sent by the academy shows Midehamen NICHOLAS MAKINT, JR., 312 Linden road; GEORGE MCELIN, 215 Westwood drive; and LARRY TUCKER, 505 Bryn Mawr. All made high records at the school.

## What's What in Softball

By JACK RIGDEN

Next week is the last week of regular season competition and the playoffs begin a week from Monday. Since not more than three games are to be scheduled on any one night, one field must be eliminated as a playoff site. This reporter would suggest that Poppleton Field be the one left out. Let's hear some expression either way on this point.

Last week this column stated that Buick had not paid its entry fee. However, this was absolutely wrong and we apologize for this serious mistake. The fact of the matter is that we had not known it had been paid. This reporter doesn't have any regular "office hours."

Last week, George LaCharity, Dayner's right hand hurler, pitched his best game to date this year when he held Franklin to one hit, a single byatcher Cummings.

Franklin's playoff chances suffered a severe blow last week when Polge Cameron was forced to the sidelines by illness. He will

## BOYS LEARN WOODCRAFT



Four Birmingham boys were recent students in the Woodcraft summer camp of Culver Military Academy. Shown here, with one of the school's St. Bernards, are BOB SHANNON, 451 Lake Park drive; DAVID LEE SHERRON, 451 Lake Park drive; JACK CHRITTON, and ERNEST FAIR "BUD" CHRITTON, JR., 388 Gleggery road.

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## 3 Orchard Lake Boats Cop Honors In Comet Class

With a strong wind blowing down the lake, three Orchard Lake Country Club boats sailed through the third places in the Comet class races at the Inland Lakes Regatta held at Big Wolf Lake last week-end.

The regatta, the first that had been entered by Orchard Lake skippers this summer, was sponsored by the Wolf Lake Yacht Club and is to be an annual affair.

Among the men sailing Comets were champion sailors from Cleveland and Toledo. Jack Strong, of Orchard Lake, won the first place trophy by winning two of the three races held on Saturday and Sunday. In second place was the boat piloted by Bob Tyson and Art Underwood who alternated as skipper of the boat. E. W. Averill and W. P. Adams took third place.

Races for several other types of boats were held during the regatta, and among these were Shipes, National One-Designs, Brighties and Nippers. In all there were about forty boats there, representing clubs in Michigan and Ohio.

## MOOSE IN MICHIGAN

Moose in Keweenaw county are believed concentrated in the densely wooded areas near the tip of the peninsula and so seldom seen by visitors. Signs of a herd between Schilters and Cooper lakes and near Hoar lake, eight miles from Bete Gris, have been observed. Conservation Officer Richard Lahti recently saw a cow and calf near Cooper lake, three miles from the mouth of Montclair river.

## SLIGHT DAMAGE RESULTS

Slight damage occurred in a crash last Friday at 6 p. m. at Woodward avenue and Adams road when care-collapse of a car driven by Ann Morrison, 18 years old of 10 Council street, Clawson, and Norman Fennington, 787 Vinewood, Birmingham.

Hogan and Norman Fennington, For Franklin; Podge Cameron, Cummings, Everett Hemmerly, Lefty Grambeau, Lefty Whalen, Eugene Hemmerly, Phil Brestineyer, Jack Roberts, Don McBride, Bill Roberts, and, oh, yes, our ball boy Charley Lyle—can't forget Charley!

As far as average runs per game goes, McManus leads this too with an average of 11.8 runs per game, followed by Mortimer's with 11.0, and Buick 8.4. McManus has allowed but two runs to score per game, while their nearest rival, Dayner's, has an opposition average of 3.7.

Our two posters this week are Dayner's and Franklin. For Dayner's: Sonny Redard, George LaCharity, Benny Therrian, Dick Green, Lutz Hill, "Nose" Andrews, Hank Danquist, Paul Kelley, Bob

## Both Auto Drivers Were Confident

George street and Ann was the scene of an automobile crash Saturday afternoon. James William Price, 17 years old, 1236 Edgewood, and Curt Dechert, 35 years old, of 1835 Fairview, were the drivers. Price going east on George and Dechert, north on Ark. Both thought the other intended to stop.

**Evidently**  
The work was made in seven days. You see, it wasn't necessary to wait on some commission's Leader.

## Divorce Granted; Two Suits Filed

Two divorce cases were filed with the past week at the County Clerk's office in Pontiac. Russell R. Foots, of Birmingham, brought suit against Mrs. Lela M. Foots and John T. Foots, of Birmingham, filed for a divorce from Mrs. Marion C. Leary, of Birmingham. Josephine Ann Vhay was granted a divorce from James H. Vhay.

**Not Reliable**  
With the approach of another campaign the voters should be reminded that the most promising politicians are not always the most promising ones.—The Sioux Falls Daily Argus-Leader.

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