Bell and Mortimer Take Lead in Recreation Softball League

Season Under Way With Eight Teams Entered in Race

-By JOHN RIGDEN

Hitting and not pitching dominated the opening week of play in the Recreation Softball League as the newly formed eight-team circuit swung into action and got its first taste of competition of the 1941 season.

At the termination of play Monday night, three teams were tied for first place with a clean slate, Bell and Sons, last year's championship Buick ten, and Mortimer's Men's Store, also one of the leaders of last year, had three victories tucked away while Dayner's Market laid claim to two triumphs.

To keep pace with the leaders Bell and Sons knocked over Babcock and Salisbury, last year's McManus, Sulpt with a few changes, 10-4. Franklin next fell victim to Bell power 10-2 while Monday night M. S. C. P. high school fraternity fell victim in a good old slugfest, 16-9. This game was featured by home runs by Jack Steelman, fraternity outfielder, and Bob Thompson, Bell third sacker.

Tied with Bell and Sons, Mortimer's chalked up victories over Stevens Service 16-8, M. S. C. P. and Holy Name Ushers' Club. In most of its games Bell and Son have been without the services of star hurler, Raymie McBride, while Mortimer's mound ace is round Bill Lawson.

Dayner's Market, with George La Charity on the hill, looks like it can keep good company with any team in the league as it bowled over Holy Name Ushers 20-7 and paced Babcock-Salisbury handily.

This year's league presents several new teams from last year's race. New to the circuit this year are Holy Name Ushers, M. S. C. P., Bell and Son, and Stevens Service. The holdovers from last year are Dayner's Market, Mortimer's, and Franklin.

A new rule going into effect this year allows each team one extra player, then, as most softball leagues have. A motion was made to try and pay umpires, but was defeated by the managers.

The draft has affected several of Birmingham's softball stars of other years and will probably play havoc with all teams before the season is over. Don Porteous, a leader in softball circles here for many years, has been in the Army some time now, to mention just one.

M. S. C. P., although at present down in the standings, plays the most aggressive game in the league, according to observers. The team is composed mainly of high school sophomores and juniors. Louis Hagopian is the fraternity moundsman and his battery mate is Bud James. On first base is genial Bill Cobb. Steve Giffels is at second, Bob Murray at short, and Dorey Thomas at third. Leading team hitter, Jack Steelman, is in center field, Bill Golling in left, Stan Peterson in short left center.

The season began last Monday and ends on Sept. 6, with the first four teams in the standings at that time qualifying for the playoffs.

LEAGUE STANDINGS
(as of Tuesday evening)

	W.	L.	Pct.
Bell and Sons	3	0	1.000
Mortimer's	3	0	1.000
Dayner's Market	3	0	1.000
Stevens Service	1	2	.333
M. S. C. P.	1	2	.333
Franklin	0	3	.000
Babcock-Salisbury	0	2	.000
Holy Name			
Usher's Club	0	3	.000

Tuesday's results: Babcock-Salisbury 5, Franklin 4, Dayner's 13, Stevens Service, 7.

Teachers' Club Meets Today

Under the sponsorship of the board of directors, the Teachers' Club will hold its final luncheon at the Community House Thursday at 12 o'clock.

Miss Ruth Hill, retiring president, will make her final report of this year's activities.

The president of the club for next year, Lloyd Chapman, will announce plans and committee chairmen for next year.

Long Triple Ends River Rouge Game In 9-8 Defeat

By BOB CRAIG

Facing the only undefeated league opponent, River Rouge, the Maples lost a very close contest, 9-8, when they were defeated on the latter's field last Friday afternoon.

The game brought to the close a fairly successful season for the Birmingham nine. Out of 12 scheduled games, the Maples won seven.

In the second inning, the Maples went through their entire batting order, scoring six runs. The only other Maple score came late in the sixth inning after two were out. Kelley and Dahlquist both scored on Stanton's double to boost the score to 8-6.

River Rouge collected one run in the first, three in the third, two in the fourth, and one and two respectively in the sixth and seventh innings. Douglas, Rougeaucher, hit a long triple in the seventh to score two runs and win the game. Before the triple the score stood 8-7 for Birmingham.

Holding the Maples were Therrian with a double and a triple, and Corson and Adams, each of whom hit a single and a double.

The Maples hit Royals, first Rouge pitcher, all over the lot before he was taken out in the second inning. Lorencz, who took up the reins in the late second frame, held the Maples for the rest of the game. Royals gave eight hits for six runs while Lorencz was tapped for five hits and two runs.

On the mound for the Maples was Ted Corson. He held out for the first four innings, throwing good ball the first three.

Kelley took over in the fifth with a tie score at six each. In the seventh frame Paul pitched his heart out trying to protect the one point lead. The winning triple came with three on base.

BAND HAS ELECTION

An election was held recently for the officers of the Baldwin High School band and orchestra, to go into office next fall.

The president will be Ed Hoomer; secretary, Margaret Richey; and treasurer, Fred Sevin.

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'As I See It'

By HUGH MACK

This will be the last time I will be able to write this column, for I graduate tonight. Walter (the Weasel) and I decided that it might be of interest to summarize Baldwin's athletic teams' records of the year.

The football team was very successful, winning the T.V.A.A. championship for the second year in a row. It went undefeated in the league, winning the crown in a thriller from Ecorse.

The only two muddy spots on the record were made on two muddy days. Ferndale came from behind on a rainy, muddy night to tie the Maple lassies 6-6, and Royal Oak won the Thanksgiving Day classic, 3-0 on a day marked with so much mud that the numbers of the players couldn't be distinguished after the first play.

Baldwin won seven, tied one, and suffered one lone defeat.

The basketball team, true to form, finished the season with the win column far ahead of the losses. In 14 regular scheduled games, the boys offered the rooters many thrills, coming from behind to win games. Their record shows they lost three and won 11 of the regular games.

In the state tournament Baldwin won one game and lost one, romping over all opposition, and came from behind to win the first regional and the most exciting game of the year from St. Anthony of Detroit, only to lose a heart-breaker in Visitation.

If Baldwin can turn out such teams every year, the basketball fans will never be disappointed.

The tracksters ran away with honors winning every dual and triangular meet entered. They took the Wayne Relays for the third year in a row, adding another trophy to the collection.

In the regional meet they had almost twice as many points as the nearest team. In every meet entered, the Maples showed their heels to the opposition. They placed third in the state meet and only lost the T.V.A.A. championship by seven-tenths of a point. However, they had two of the most consistent point winners out because of injuries.

The baseball team as usual broke above .500. Getting off to a bad start they picked up speed to end the season like Whirlaway. After being trounced by a snappy Ferndale team, the Baldwin baseball team beat Royal Oak (who by the way beat Ferndale) 21-7 to please all concerned. They won seven and lost five which is better than average team.

The golf team, showing iron nerves and almost professional skill, had a good season, two-thirds of the matches and qualifying for state tournament where the boys were barely nosed out. They won six matches and lost three.

Tennis was reviewed last week.

The coaches (George Wurster (football, basketball), Franklyn Whitney (basketball, track), Lloyd Chapman (golf), and Robert Brierly (tennis); the boys who are out for the teams, and the student body which supports them, deserve a lot of credit for the fine teams and turn-outs and the great spirit displayed.

To close this, my final column, I will say, "I'll see you at the games next year."

Senior Skip Day A Large Success

After senior skip day Friday, June 6, the seniors can readily say that a nice time was had by all.

The group left for Jefferson Beach first, then into Detroit to the Palms-State Theatre to see "Billy the Kid" and "Love Crazy."

The two movies were especially good and much to the seniors' satisfaction, everyone was pleased with the activities of the day.

In the evening many of the seniors were at Baldwin for dancing and refreshments.

This year's committee members were Dick Gilbert, chairman, Eloise Lawler, Holt Ackerman, Gaylord Forman, Patty Burke, Roger Stolberg, Virginia Kalbfus, and Marion Gilbreath.

Advisers Miss Lucille Dewar, Miss Nina Kitts, and Miss Gerda Hansen accompanied the group.

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Free Music Classes For Summer Recreation Program

Since summer is the ideal time to make progress in music, the Birmingham Recreation Commission has again included instruction in music in the summer recreation program beginning June 16, and continuing for eight weeks.

The music program this year includes senior band, senior orchestra, a junior A and Junior B orchestra, classes for the first year students, beginner classes, and evening band for adults.

For those unable to attend morning rehearsals and those wishing to spend more time rehearsing, ensembles and special music classes will be added if enough students wish to have them.

All classes and groups will meet in Hill School under instruction and all classes are free to all Birmingham musicians.

Music needed will be furnished except first year groups, beginners, and special classes.

The schedule of the summer groups will be as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 9:00-10:00 a. m., junior orchestra; 10:00-11:00, school band; 11:00-12:00, senior orchestra; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00-10:00, junior band; 10:00-11:00 junior B orchestra; 11:00-12:00 first year beginners.

At one every afternoon will be special music classes and ensembles; band every evening at 7:30.

These groups will be directed by Arnold W. Bernard, music supervisor for the recreation commission.

Bolton and Therrian Honored by Team

Lacking but one vote from being unanimously elected honorary co-captains of the 1941 baseball team were Derek Bolton, third baseman, and Dennis Therrian, center fielder. Both boys are seniors.

Along with the election of captains, Coach Wurster announced the '41 letter winners. Giving out a comparatively large number of letters this year, Coach Wurster will present 13 to players and one to Dave Nethercott, manager.

Right of the letter winners are seniors: John Adams, Derek Bolton, Ted Corson, Howie Crull, Denny Therrian, Olie Olson, Hugh Mack, and Norman Flemington.

Paul Kelley, Neil Stanton, and Hank Dahlquist are junior letter winners, and Bill Spiegel and Bill Golling, the sophomores.

Students Enjoy Swing Out Humor

Swing out was a success last week when a laugh-happy audience watched a slap-happy senior class of over 100 members run through the "Linton for Dictator" theme.

Jim Garfield, president of the class, opened the show by explaining the theme. He was interrupted while a stubborn group of about eight leftists marched in to the one-finger playing of "Pomp and Circumstance" by Mary Gardner.

The lid was off as the curtain went up showing Jack Roberts legs crossing the stage in a pair of girl's shoes borrowed from an Act-to-Britain bundle.

After the mock-brief ceremonies, Olie Olson, and Bill Tighe, discovered the curtain went up; they got off the floor, put away the dice, and started the humor.

Barbara Dolland read half of the class prophecy and Bill Tighe gave a short talk which was ended as Byron Coons leaped from his seat and fired shots.

Baldwin's own Bill Roberts broke in at an opertune time to give a hilarious summary of class activities and general chatter.

The great moment arrived when "Invable Linton" was carried in.

Hillbillies Roger Stolberg, Don Wise, and Vern Kline, and Rah Cos sneaked in looking for their super estate which Bill Henkins was reading on the stage.

Patty Burke and Jane Bronson were in charge of a joke board and marked up lemons and Lulus while Dick Neely occasionally interrupted the show with news flashes which completed the class prophecy.

Student authors and directors were Jim Lee, chairman, Jeanne Burton and Howard Ward. Frank O'Toole wrote the class song.

Baldwin Jr. High Program Friday

Baldwin Junior High School graduating class of June, 1941 will present its final program in Baldwin auditorium Friday, June 13, at 11:00 a. m.

The program will open with a piano solo by Conway Adams and a reading by Elizabeth Horton. The class will, written by Constance McGirr, James Dodds, Carmen Di Pietro, Margaret Richey, and Nan Gilbreath, will be read by Margaret Richey. Robert Loeffler will give a violin solo which will be followed by the presentation of diplomas by Ray H. Beeles, principal.

COMING GAMES

Tonight

Holy Name Ushers-Franklin, at Barnum.

M. S. C. P.-Dayner's, at Torrey Field.

Monday, June 16

Mortimer's-Bell & Sons, at Barnum.

Holy Name Usher's—Babcock-Salisbury, at Torrey Field.

Tuesday, June 17

M. S. C. P.-Franklin, at Torrey.

Holy Name Ushers-Bell and Sons, at Hill.

Wednesday, June 18

M. S. C. P.-Steven's Service, at Barnum.

Dayner's-Mortimer's, at Hill.

Thursday, June 19

Franklin-Dayner's, at Barnum.

Babcock-Salisbury vs. Steven's Service, at Hill.

Band, Orchestra Hold Picnic

The annual picnic for the members and alumni of the Baldwin High School band and orchestra was held Tuesday, June 10, at the summer home of Alford Peabody at Elizabeth Lake.

During the afternoon and evening, sports included baseball and swimming were held. Later the steak barbecue was held.

Awards were given to a number of band and orchestra members for their outstanding work.

Student Job Service Places 184 People

During the first year, the Student Employment Service at Baldwin High School has already made 184 placements for jobs, out of 218 requests.

During April and May out of 151 requests, 34 placements were made, or more than one a day were made.

All kinds of jobs can be applied for: housework, dry cleaning, insurance agency, oil station attendants, laboratory technician, soda jerker, dressmaker, etc.

The Student Employment Service takes care of boys and girls both in and out of school. This year 200 school boys registered, 56 girls, and 32 out-of-school people.

Jobs can be applied for throughout the summer by seeing Lloyd Chapman at the recreation office at Barnum School.

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ANN ARBOR—Students wishing to finish a liberal arts college course in three years can do so at the University of Michigan and other midwestern universities and have been doing so for many years.

This three-year course recently suggested to enable students to obtain their degrees before reaching selective service age has, in effect been available at the University for some time. Summer work makes it possible.

Paul Dunn Wins Lawrence Honor

Competing against students from all over southeastern Michigan, Paul G. Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Chantler of 2139 Yorkshire drive, was awarded a Founder's scholarship by Lawrence Institute of Technology, Detroit.

Paul won this scholarship by virtue of his fine work all through high school. He is graduating cum laude and is a member of the National Honor Society, and Quill and Scroll. He has been advertising manager of The Highlander for the past two years. Paul has been very popular with students and faculty.

The scholarship was awarded on the basis of quality of school record; quality of character personality, and leadership; probability of superior college achievement; participation in a high school activity, such as band, newspaper, sports, etc.

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