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Miss Joan Baker Tells of Her Work With Red Cross

By AUDREY DURNING

"I have never missed a chance to tell how glad I am that I was given the opportunity to go overseas," said Miss Joan Baker, better known as "Johnny" former Miss Baker, in her talk at the Baldwin assembly Friday.

Miss Baker, traveling to Australia in a troop transport. Her first assignment was to entertain a group of Army paratroopers in a small town called the "Edge of the Bush" in northern Australia.

A stake dance performed by 40 natives before a large bonfire was one of the impressive sights she saw over there.

Her next station was a recreation center for submarine crews. There were six Red Cross girls and they were able to work in shifts.

Kangaroo hunts and a three day bus trip to southern Australia were given to help the men forget the war for a little while.

After the submarines went back into action, Johnny was moved to a Navy Air Corps station where she ran a mobile canteen.

She met eight Birmingham boys in Australia, and they exchanged the "Eccentric" and pictures of home.

"All the boys need and want letters from home," she said.

Rich Harrell received the DAR Good Citizenship Award pin from Mrs. C. W. Wacker in the first part of the Assembly. This award stands for service, leadership, dependability, patriotism, honor, and understanding. It is the seventh year Baldwin has chosen a girl for the Daughters of the American Revolution.

CONCERT TICKETS AVAILABLE

Twenty-five tickets to the Detroit Symphony's Children's Concerts have been made available to Baldwin high school. The concerts are given on February 10, 17, 24, and 27 and March 3 and 10. Free tickets will be given to any parent wishing to provide transportation to students going.

Cranbrook Presents Six Short Plays On Saturday Evening

Six one-act plays, third on the current roster of Erastarion productions, will be presented Saturday night, February 10, in the auditorium at Cranbrook School.

Charles Stuart, Jeanne Helgeson, John Kuhlman, Jim Wyand, Betty Cady, Donna Polciniski, Peter Klempf, and Lois Burton will be seen in "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Starlet," a satire by Carl G. Wonnberger, who is also directing. A Nazi super-trailer, "The Liberator" will feature George Gaston, Herbert Williams, I. W. Forbes, Jim Wyand, and John Kuhlman, with Marion McKinney and Kit Schellie. Berthold Reetz, Anti-Nazi German author wrote the script.

Aben Johnson, Student member of "A.R.G.," has directed a psychological drama "Greatest Love" with Jack Speer, Dick Townsend, Derek Orth, Peter Mackenzie, Jack Lally, Bob Kame, George Smith, Duke Owen, Lloyd Bailey and Mike Farrand.

Louis Graff produced "Yes-I mean No" with Marilyn Hanniken, Phyllis Keenan, Roy Noyes, George Smith, Duke Owen, Lloyd Bailey and Mike Farrand.

John Searles, Peter Klempf and Martina McKinney play in "Rendezvous—American Style," and Bob MacGregor, Ruth Bille, Joe Jerny, Al Davis, Elizabeth Boyne, Lois Burton, Donna Polciniski, Ralph Jarl, and Mary Quinlan play in "Progressive Education."

Pete Storer is Stage Manager, and Jack Dye, Property Manager. The stage crew includes Louis Spencer, Les Burham, Bob Damiano, Ben Lien and Charles Higbie.

Cranbrook Court Team Tops Strong Howe Academy '5

Saturday evening the Cranbrook School basketball team won a very close victory over Howe Military Academy 25-20. The game against Howe was the most exciting that Cranbrook fans have seen in many years with the score close all the way. The winning basket was tossed by Cranbrook's star forward, Tom Frey, just one second ahead of the final whistle.

The Howe team was strong and rangy while the Cranbrook players are not above average in size. Speed and accuracy, however, tipped the scales in favor of the locals.

After losing the first two games of the season to Buschick Country, and Hazel Park, the Cranbrook basketball team is fast developing into a winning combination.

Last week they defeated Detroit University School 34-25. Much praise is being voiced for Coach W. Boyce Ricketts who developed a winning combination in a short period of time. Mr. Ricketts is also head of the history department at Cranbrook. The Cranes started the season with only one letter man, John Shnell of Bloomfield Hills, returning. John has been unable to play before the Howe game when his return to the squad bolstered morale of the Cranbrook boys.

This Friday evening the Cranes play at Fort Huron. The balance of the schedule for this season follows:

February 12, Thursday—Detroit University School (two games), 3:00 pm here

February 16, Friday—Grosse Ile, 3:30 pm here

February 20, Tuesday—Port Huron High School, 3:30 pm here

February 24, Saturday—Shady Side Academy (Pittsburgh), 8:00 pm here

February 27, Tuesday—Lincoln High School "B", 4:00 pm here

February 28, Tuesday—Re-serves, Detroit Country Day School, 3:00 pm here

March 2, Friday—District Tournament Begins.

NEW CLUB OFFICERS

The newly organized Baldwin assembly club officers include: Pete Good, president; Charlotte Mill, secretary; and Marilyn Harris, treasurer.

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Hill Senior Class Spends Week End On Indiana Trip

The Seniors of Bloomfield Hill High School left by last week end for Putnamville, Ind. They arrived at the hotel and spent the rest of the day skiing, tobogganing, skating, hiking, and having a good time.

The class went on a sleigh ride. All Saturday was spent out-of-doors on the ski trails and the lounge side. Saturday night there was barn-dancing and singing. Sunday afternoon they came home after a very enjoyable and successful week end.

The class consists of Bob Brown, Canella Carlsen, Patsy Chubbuck, Ann Collins, Richard Craig, Marilyn Daniels, Barbara Fry, Joe Green, Doris Hillman, George Hoyt, Judy Lander, Kimmy Lewis, Tom Miner, Roy Noyes, Leonard Osterling, Jim Plant, Melville Sauskojus, Betty Sawyer, Cynthia Scott, Iris Sings, Gordon Saunders.

Locals Trim Fast Van Dyke Cagers On Friday Night

BY JACK GERRARD

In a nip and tuck knotted battle that found the score knotted most of the time, Birmingham defeated Van Dyke 25-20, Friday night.

The Maples, favored by pre-game odds, had stiff fight with the spunky visitors, previously beaten by them 23-22.

Leading 17-15 starting the second half, the locals were met by a rejuvenated Van Dyke team that men took a four-point lead. The Maples then came back on a flood of long shots by Woodhouse; and at the end of the third stanza the score stood 24-24.

The fourth quarter found a series of desperate shots in Birmingham territory and numerous Van Dyke time-outs in an effort to reorganize the visitors' offense.

It was only in the last quarter that the locals outscored the visitors. Though never far ahead, the Maples always seemed to have that necessary punch when they needed it.

Tom Woodhouse again led the Maples with ten points, bringing his season mark to 51. McLean topped Van Dyke, counting 11 markers. A capacity crowd cheered the victory.

The reserves scored a smashing win over Van Dyke's second squad 29-11 in a basketball rafter. Ferndale plays here Friday night of this week.

Cranbrook Has Fast Hockey Team

Cranbrook varsity hockey team defeated Detroit University School last Saturday afternoon by a score of 5-0 with a generous use of substitutes.

The first two games of the season resulted in successive victories over Birmingham and the only other game of the season to date in a 5-2 win over Catholic Central High of Detroit.

Brandt and Moore, both local boys, have played well in the nets and a tough defense has kept opponents from breaking through.

McCready leads the scoring for Cranbrook, well supported by Holmes, Sidway, Glasgow and Spencer.

PLAY AT BAND CLINIC

Two of Baldwin's band members, Barton Brown, tuba, and Bob Marsh, clarinet, played with the Michigan State band and orchestra association clinic at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, February 3. They also took part in the band February 4, at the University's annual mid-winter concert. They spent an eventful weekend playing under four distinguished conductors: Edwin Franks Goldman, Morton Gould, William Schuman, and William D. Revell.

GIRLS GLEE CLUB

Many Baldwin girls have joined the new girls' glee club under the direction of Victor Ulrich. In the group are Viva Jean Steger, Virginia Hood, Lucie Kalter, Elaine Griffin, Laura Lou Raymond, Nan Heacock, Phyllis Masterton, Mary Ann Hatos, Marilyn Finnigan, Diane Kraus, Phyllis Jones, Celeste Grubbs, Margaret Erwin, Yvonne Engel, Verneta Lucas, Joan Gore, Jean Martin, Carolyn Wells, and Janet Walser.

QUARTON IS BEATEN

Pierce School team defeated the league-leading Quanton squad by a score of 12-6 for their first victory of the season in the Elementary school league Saturday morning. After a slow first half in which Quanton was in the lead, Adams pulled away and defeated Holy Name to the tune of 22-17.

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Stag Night Draws Crowd to Baldwin

The first annual Stag Night for the men and boys of Baldwin was presented last night in the high school auditorium.

The program for the evening started at eight with group singing led by William Spencer, with Victor Ulrich, accompanist.

Baldwin's barbershop quartet, composed of John Dalton, Charles VanPleteren, Bob Erwin, and Harry Wagner sang three songs in close harmony. Movies of high lights of last year's Michigan-Ohio State football game were shown and described by Wally Weber of the University of Michigan.

The evening was concluded with refreshments being served in the cafeteria.

HONOR SOCIETY ELECTS

Elections for the Birmingham Chapter of the National Honor Society were held at Baldwin last Friday morning. The results were: Frank Allen, president; Bud Greengard, secretary; Barbara Brenkert, treasurer. Honor Society officers are Miss Lucille Dewar and Merle Taylor.

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