

News of Interest from Schools of Birmingham and Vicinity

A long bus that can turn short corners has been patented by a Californian. It is hinged in the middle. Front and rear axles are fixed, and each is powered with its own engine. The bus is steered by flexing the center joint through a

hydraulic system controlled by the steering wheel.
The veteran population of the U. S. on Aug. 31 was 17,499,900 according to a Veterans Administration report.

Reveal Changes In Seating For Basketball Games

By Chuck Murray
A number of changes has been planned for the seating arrangement at the Birmingham basketball games this season and new regulation backboards will be put in use.

Instead of having the unreserved seats for parents and other fans out of high school. Students will be allotted the section on the opposite side which will be unreserved.

Fewer People on Track
The end of the gym opposite the stage will be seated similarly to last year with a few rows of chairs and a section of bleachers. This will be unreserved and open to anyone.

With this arrangement, more people will be seated on the ground floor but the few rows limit the capacity of the track to a number considerably smaller than in previous years.

The new backboards are made of steel, painted white, and are fan-shaped. They have less area than the old rectangular backboards and don't extend below the basket.

It will take the basketball squad a few weeks to get used to them, but it will prove to advantage as many neighboring high schools are making the change.

15 Boys Organize New Hockey Team

By Bill Kindley
Ice hockey having been riled out as a variety sport, a group of Birmingham boys has made up an organized team with supervision through the Birmingham Y.M.C.A.

Although they will have to play their games away, they have already scheduled two games with Cranbrook and have several other probable games with suburban high school teams.

The squad will consist of 15 boys, charter members including John Botes, Jack McBride, Dean McAlister and Bill Kindley.

Barnum Swimming Schedule Set Up

By Rusty Davis
The club swimmers didn't seem to discourage Birmingham residents from turning out for the opening days of the swimming program at the Barnum pool last week.

Swimming is under the direction of Miss Alice Koutlet, E. A. Hubbard, J. Jay Meyers, Miss Vera Hanke and Howard Sumner.

Miss Koutlet has charge of Baldwin girls and the Baldwin Sharks Wednesday at 4:30. High school boys are directed by Hubbard Monday and Thursday afternoons at 4:00.

Meyers instructs the grade school boys at 10:30 Saturday mornings. Miss Hanke, girls' gym teacher at the Barnum, has grade school girls at 9:00 Saturday morning.

The Y.M.C.A. has the pool Wednesday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 under later Meyers. Boy Scout swimming Tuesday night is directed by Sumner.

The schedule is:
Monday (4:00) Baldwin boys;
Tuesday (4:00) Baldwin girls;
(7:00) Boy Scouts; Wednesday (4:00) Sharks; (7:00) Y.M.C.A.; Thursday (4:00) Baldwin boys; and Saturday (9:00) grade school boys; (10:30) grade school boys.

Good Citizenship Winner Will Be Chosen This Week

This week Baldwin teachers will vote for the winner of the Daughters of the American Revolution's good citizenship award from the list of nominees chosen by the senior class, basing their choice on dependability, service, leadership, and patriotic citizenship.

The winner will receive public recognition and will be the guest of the Piety Hill Chapter at the State convention in Benton Harbor in March.

The award will be presented at the honors assembly next spring by Mrs. Hugh McLeese, DAR chairman of the good citizenship committee.

Nominees include: Marilyn Black, Nancy Chapel, Mary Anne Foster, Joan Gove, Ruth Kadell, Pat Mullin, Janet Roosevelt, Marjorie Penfield, Mary Powers, Ellen Van Wagener and Janet Walser.

One out of seven motor trucks on the road today is 14 years or older; three out of 10 are 10 years old; the average age is eight years.

Tennis Trophy, Won Last May, Will Be Awarded Next Week

By Hugh Quinn
At an assembly next week, Coach Larned G. Goodrich will present the 1946 tennis team with the trophy earned by winning the regional Class B championship last May.

Dick Adams, captain and regional singles finalist, will receive the belated award for the team, seven members of which have returned this year.

The meet, held at Cranbrook, was taken by the Maples with Dave Ballentine and Dick Halsted winning the doubles crown. These two, along with John Bones and Bob Daeschner, runner-up in doubles, and Dick Adams, in singles, qualified for the State meet.

Jack Frey, Cranbrook ace who later became class B State champ, was the lone qualifier other than Birmingham's team members, as only the finalists in singles and doubles move on to the State meet.

Other members of last spring's squad were Harris Jackson and Pete Whitelaw, singles, and Ralph Dunbar and Ted Laird, doubles.

Both Adams and Halsted are all returned this year.

Girl Swimmers Hold Club Tryouts, Elect New Club Officers

By Jeanne Lange
Tryouts for Sharks, high school girls' swimming club, were held in Barnum pool last week.

Those qualifying are Delores Bezanon, Beverly Brennan, Sally Buck, Lois Burke, Norma Carnegie, Josephine Connor, Katherine Daeschner, Marilyn Davey, Betty Drake, Peggy Gould, Shirley Green, Cynthia Hadley, Carolyn Hardie, Dianne Helgeson, Sue Hershey, and Nancy Holmes.

Virginia Marston, Kern McKay, Lois McLeese, Susan Mock, Maryline Moody, Frances Rittner, Virginia Schaffer, Grace Sheldon, Betty Vail, Betty Whitelaw, Sherrill Williams, Marjorie Wilson, and Jerry Woolley.

Recently elected club officers are Janet Roosevelt, president, and Lois Burton, treasurer.

Micha Mis is being and Miss Alice Koutlet with Wednesday instruction. (The Sharks are planning a pageant to be presented later this season.)

BALDWIN HIGHLIGHTS

Hi, Nightclubbers! Baldwinites sure are turning classy on us. Now they even have a French night club. Oh yes, and what a club! Of course, you know we're talking about Club Chez Glamour, the big spot of Friday night.

Some of the people dancing to the music of Jimmy Hefner and his band under the beautiful ceiling of stars and blue lights were Janis Fishack, Jack Moses, Lois Steele, Jim Carson, Gretta Seshelm, Drayton McClelland, B. J. Young, Jim Mungler, Nan Chapel, George Pope, Janet Roosevelt, Johnny Anderson, Sis Daeschner, Dave Ballentine, Jeanne Kiefer and Rolf Smith.

Laughing and joking during the intermission with "The Barefoot Boy," Rose Muller, were Barbara Toles, Herb Twillinger, Joy Stark, Jim McCall, Alita Toothacker, Tom Green, Carolyn Metzger, Russ Davies, Jerry Woolley, Tom Brohm, Pat Page, Jac Phillips, Alice Grant-Watters, Charlie Martz, Marge Baker and Jack Filkins.

Some of the crowd that he had up on the stage as contestants were Joan Gove, Shirley Green, Duke Watson, Lois Burke, and Stan Boynton (who, by the way, got away with four dollars).

Changing from the night club life, some of the gang went out to see Cranbrook once more showing some of its talent. Enjoying every act of the play were: Erwin, Bruce Smith, Joan Gove, Peggy Gould, Lois Burke, Colin Campbell, Dick Adams, Bill Gilbrath and Gerry Hughes.

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