

'Little Oak' Jr. High Sports League Praised By School Officials, Parents

Last November at the invitation of Wendell S. Wilson, the athletic director of Lincoln High School in Ferndale, Hazel Park, Berkeley and Barnum High Schools and Royal Oak Junior High School met at Cranbrook to discuss the possibility of organizing an athletic league of freshmen, or Third Form, boys from the six schools.

Thus was born "The Little Oak League."

In accordance with the league set-up, the freshman teams of the member schools have met each other twice in basketball, once in baseball and in track at one conference meet. This fall will inaugurate the first football league competition for the teams.

The incentive given the boys in their participation in this league competition is invaluable. At regular

intervals, the athletic directors of the schools meet to discuss problems, to make schedules, and to develop means of bettering the competitive experiences of the boys who will make up the varsity teams of the future.

With fine spectator attendance at the games and with the supervision of good officials, the experience the boys receive has given them a sense of security which can be obtained in no other way. Lack of this experience under actual game conditions often handicaps even a natural athlete in his first year of varsity competition.

At a recent meeting of the leaders of the league, of which Wendell Wilson is president, "The Little Oak League" received enthusiastic praise from principals, headmasters, athletic directors, coaches, students and parents. Five other schools have sought membership in the freshman set-up, and the idea is now being copied throughout the state.

The results of the first school year of competition left Cranbrook in second place in track and basketball and third in baseball. Barnum's Birmingham freshmen won the basketball and track championships; and Berkeley took the baseball pennant.

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WALNUT LAKE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Cam:

Another week is past and here in a letter full of happenings of Walnut Lake school.

The middle room held elections for their class officers, and now Billy Boston is president. Sharon Moore is vice-president. Gail Sumstrom is secretary, and Esty Gelluso is treasurer.

They have made "Keeping the school grounds clean" a special project, which means we don't dare drop the wrappers from that precious bubble gum they have had at the store lately without some little third grader giving us a lecture on keeping the grounds clean.

Barbara Wilson and Susie Kemp both celebrated birthdays last week. Barb entertained a few friends with records and shuffleboard, while Susie's guests played farm-in-the-dell and London bridge.

The young girls are going to their class officers, and now Esty Gelluso is president. We older girls think it is nice of her to take the time. Maybe our little sisters can be bribed into knitting us a scarf or a pair of gym socks.

One of the most sought after boys in the school these days is Jim Wallace. Yep. You guessed it. He's head of the lost and found department. No one is surprised to see him running around with everything from jack knives to hair ribbons dangling from his pockets.

So long for now,
Barb.

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Officers Named For Barnum PTA

The school year program for the Barnum P-TA has been planned with an eye to the interests of both primary and junior high grades.

At a board meeting L. C. Minor, president of the organization, announced the appointment of Franklin Fricker as father-vice-president to replace Claude Walker, who has moved from the city; Mrs. H. D. MacGregor as hospitality chairman; and Edward G. Rockwell to fill the vacancy left by everything from jack knives to hair ribbons dangling from his pockets.

Officers of the Barnum P-TA for the year are, besides president L. C. Minor and father-vice-president Fricker, Mrs. Thomas A. Wykes, mother-vice-president; Hugh Battenhouse, teacher vice-president; Mrs. Hollis P. Holliday, secretary; Mrs. Cassius Miller, treasurer; and Betty King, historian.

Committee Chairman
Committee chairman are Mrs. Paul Wilson, program; Paul A. Kleintert, news and means; Mrs.

Barnum Defeats River Rouge, 6-0

Last week Wednesday the Barnum Junior High School traveled to River Rouge and defeated their Freshman football team by a score of 6-0.

The game was very well played by both teams with Barnum having a decided edge on defensive play. Fred Gibson, the new Barnum coach this year, was well pleased with the results of the three weeks practice the boys have had. The boys were evenly played the first half and in the third quarter River Rouge tried a pass from their quarterback, intercepted the pass on the twenty-five-yard line and behind some excellent blocking ran for a touchdown. The try for extra point was blocked.

Captain Kenneth MacQueen, Dean Berry, and Howard Murray were outstanding in the line for Barnum and Jack Adams, Jovi Ross and Paul Spurlock were the consistent ball carriers in the backfield.

Other boys playing in the game were: Bud Boynton and Mac Booth, ends; Ed Herron, tackle; Bob Hardy, guard; and Charles Baker and Eugene Hammond in the backfield. Paul Hoffman, Charles Olin, and Dan Crawford entered the game as substitutes.

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Wed., Oct. 16, Hazel Park, here, 7:30.
Wed., Oct. 23, Ferndale, there, 7:30.
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