

News of Interest from Schools of Birmingham and Vicinity

Senior Girls Defeat Juniors to Win High School Intramurals

The girls' basketball intramural ended Monday noon leaving Ellen Van Wagener's team with a score of 31-28 over the sophomore captain, Jo Van Wagener.

The sophomores were Ginny Schaffer, Jo Van Wagener, Nancy Beck, Mary Kemp, Carol Abbott, Sis Hughes, Sallie Buck, Audrey Engel and Sherrill Williams. Ellen Van Wagener, Ginny Marston, Helen Sakrook, Sister Daeschner, Florence Durger, Martha Moody, Irma Lou Moore, Mary Lois Cole, Mary Ann Nixon, Mary Ann Rainey, and Florence Bassett made up the senior team.

Schools to Build Ten New Outside Basketball Courts

Ten outdoor basketball courts are to be built this spring to serve the Birmingham schools, announced Frank Whitney, director of athletics, last week. In an effort to provide for more efficient and functional play grounds for Birmingham school children, the Board of Education has sanctioned the construction of eight outdoor basketball courts which are expected to be completed and ready for use the end of this spring. These courts will serve the Adams, Baldwin, Barum, Franklin, Pierce, Quanton and Walnut Lake school districts. Also to be completed this spring are sand pits which will be used for high jumping, pole vaulting and broad jumping at each of the grade schools. Use of these new facilities will be taught under supervision during Saturday morning classes, which are a new addition to the athletic program.

Barnum Swimmers Victorious Over Hazel Park Team

Barnum Junior High School held a swimming meet with Hazel Park Friday afternoon in the Barnum Pool. The final score was Barnum 100, Hazel Park 75. Barnum won the opening event with Robert Webb, Dick Greig, Carson Dalton and Dick Helgeson swimming the 100-yd. freestyle relay. Leslie O'Reilly, from Hazel Park won the diving with Frank Weaver (B) and Pete Plumstead (B) tied for second and third. Carson Dalton (B) won the 50-yd. free style with Robert Webb (B) second, Joe King of Hazel Park won the back stroke. Ward Abbott (B) and Allen Fremedy (B) were second and third. Mohyla and Thomas, Hazel Park, were awarded first and second for the 20-yd. breast stroke, when Dick Mott (B) and Neil Sloan (B) were disqualified for using the wrong stroke.

Dick Helgeson (B) won the 75-400 yard and Paul Spriock (B) second. The Barnum medley relay team consisting of Plumstead and Dalton finished first swimming the back stroke, breast stroke and crawl, respectively. Jay Meyer, a teacher at Baldwin High School and formerly a member of the Wayne University swimming team, was the official.

'Olympics' Won By Pierce With Two Victories

Pierce School emerged victorious in the Birmingham elementary schools' basketball "Olympics" held last Saturday in the Baldwin High School gymnasium. Taking the 5th grade division from Adams, 8 to 2, Pierce also captured the 6th grade division from the same school by a 12-10 score.

The fourth grade championship was divided between Adams and Quanton schools when the game ended in a 6-6 tie. Bloomfield Village was defeated in a special game, 5 to 0, by a team of all-stars.

The tournament was a result of the Birmingham Board of Education's Saturday morning activities. During the season, each elementary school was represented by two teams from the 4th, 5th and 6th grades.

Spring Sports Planned Approximately 50 new members of the youngsters have been taking advantage of the trained adult leadership which is being offered. Frank Whitney, school athletic director, announced this week.

Spring activities are to be centered around the baseball, track and other outdoor games, Whitney revealed. The track season will close with entries in the "Junior Olympics" and a special elementary school meet," he said. "Baseball winners are to be determined by the limiting date of work. All contests are strictly supervised and winning is subordinate to individual development in sport fundamentals and good sportsmanship, Whitney pointed out.

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BALDWIN HIGHLIGHTS

Greetings! This is Annie's cousin Elnor substituting for Annie as she feverishly crams all her junk into her one Washington trip suitcase. Friday night between cakes, potato chips and music, we saw Jo Laucouner, Peggy Gould, Bob Saffell, Jim Anderson, Gerry Hughes, Barry Kennedy, Nancy Moore, Arlyne Brown, Dave Walker, Duane Murphy, Bob Epps, Pat Hempstead, Nancy Gues and many others having a fine time at Jo Kate's abode.

Seen also at a glance before their search for haunted houses, were Carol Peterson, Don McConkie, Mary Stringer, Darcey Kellogg, Jeannet Barnes and Jim Heinreich.

The scene of much merriment was John Bones' house Saturday, where Carol Peterson, Don McConkie, Mary Stringer, Darcey Kellogg, Jeannet Barnes and Jim Heinreich were seen to be friendly.

Those seen were Sue Hainreiter and Jack Goodwin, Sally Warner, Jack Hardy, Mary Kemp, John Parsons, L. L. Raymond, Dave Wambarger, Mary Powers, Stan Schaefer, Nancy Jacobs, Bawah Allen, Phyllis Brinkert, Don Runk, Albert Adams, Ann Snyder, Bloomstrom, Marty Fox and Bob Darschner.

Jack Goodwin also had a party where cakes and ping-pong were on the agenda. Seen there were Walt Badle, Betty Whitlaw, Jim McCall, Joy Clark, Betty Daries, Carol Metzger, Pete Whitlaw, Gliner Ketter, Jack Goodwin, Mary Ann Baird, Bob Adams, Ann Snyder, Dick Groves and Jeanne Kiefer.

Laura Lou Raymond's house was the scene of a very pleasant luncheon where Annie and we saw Susie Moeck, Nancy Chapel, Rita Stebbins, Ann Johnson, Lois Patterson, Lois Steele and Bette Costello chatting and eating.

We really must go now and jump on Annie's crammed suit case. (Looks like she's taking everything!) So nice to have met you. Your friend, Elnor

P. S. We hope all of the Washington group have a sensational time.

12As Defeat 12Bs for School Championship

Overcoming a first quarter lull, the 12A's defeated the 12B's, 30-21. In a hard-fought battle to win the school championship last week. The 12B's desperately sought to recover their early lead but failed to check the 12A's sharpshooting.

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Baseball, Track, Tennis Contests Are Announced

Releasing the schedules for track, tennis, basketball and golf, Frank Whitney, athletic director, pointed out that the outcome of spring sports would determine the possession of the league trophy. With the exception of golf, a new arrival on the Mader's athletic program, all of the spring sports will count towards the trophy, this being the first year that tennis has been considered in the race.

Looking ahead, the cinder team has a full season with the River Rouge Invitational, April 19; Mt. Clemens, April 25; Port Huron, April 29; East Detroit, May 2; Cranbrook, May 6, there; Hazel Park, May 9; Royal Oak, May 13, there; regional, May 17; Ferndale, May 20, there; state finals, May 24; and the Wayne Relays, June 7.

Ten Tennis Meets The tennis team will meet plenty of opposition in Pontiac; April 25; Ferndale, April 29; Mt. Clemens, May 3; Port Huron, May 7, there; Cranbrook, May 13, there; Ferndale, May 16, there; Mt. Clemens, May 20, there; Regionals, May 24; Port Huron, May 27; Royal Oak, May 29; and the State finals, June 6 and 7.

For the debut of the golf quartet, Mt. Clemens will be on hand May 2, there. Although the Maders have an open date April 29, their schedule for the rest of the season is Hazel Park, May 4, there; Port Huron, May 9, there; East Detroit, May 13, there; open, May 16; Mt. Clemens, May 20; Hazel Park, May 23; regionals, May 24; Port Huron, May 27; East Detroit, May 29; and the State finals, June 7.

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South America, centering his talk on Brazil. Ed Kibert, secretary of the Birmingham YMCA, secured Nyström for the assembly. Electric companies expect to provide electricity for about 600,000 additional farms by the end of 1948.

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Sports Showup By George A. Pope The Varsity Club is dickering for a new trophy case to help relieve the overcrowded condition in the two trophy cases now in the main hall. People are still talking about that super basketball dinner, one of the best in years. The committee wants especially to thank Mrs. James Anderson, Mrs. Roland Reynolds, Mary Anne Foster, Barbara Toles and Gerry Hughes who did a great deal of work which added to the pleasure of the occasion. Next year's football team will have practically all new uniforms, including helmets which will not crack when bumped, and possibly white nylon pants. Track and baseball will be off to a late start this spring because of this year's vacation and the Washington Trip which will delay the start until April 14 with the River Rouge Invitational the following Saturday. Two more improvements are in order for baseball and track come April 14. A batting cage which is being rushed to completion under the direction of Mr. Whitney. The jumping pits at the track are going to be re-boxed to keep the sand from spilling onto the grass. A new take-off board will be installed for the broad jump. Three former Birmingham athletes became novice boxing champions during the recent intramural boxing tournament held at Western Michigan last week. Mike Fitzgibbon became a heavyweight champ, Dick Dunn captured the light-heavyweight crown, and Paul Keller was the third champion by virtue of a knockout over his opponent. New opponents will be found in all the spring sports with Walled Lake and East Detroit added in the basketball, tennis, and baseball, and tennis, and East Detroit in track. The first completely new post-war track models are due to make their appearance this spring. Detroit manufacturers report, barring work stoppages.

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