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Junior Olympics Start at 1:50 P.M.
By Dick Jeffers
The program of events for the 1947 Junior Olympics to be held at the Pierce Field next Tuesday will begin at 1:50 with the flag raising by the band.

This meet is sponsored by the Sideline Quarterbacks with Rollie Reese as general chairman. Assisting him will be Frank A. Whitman, athletic director, and Lloyd H. Basset, track coach, and the Birmingham Varsity Club.



Bits of Birmingham

Birminghamites who stepped in at Shain's Drug Store last Friday probably noticed pharmacist Ethel Basset sporting a lovely yellow carnation corsage. Miss Basset celebrated 35 years of working at Shain's on that day. She began there working behind the soda fountain, studied while working, passed the State exam and became a pharmacist. After hours a little private celebration, high-lighted by the recording, "Anniversary Song."

The working man really gets a break this year—there are three day week-end holidays during 1947. The first will occur on a Friday, the second will occur when the Fourth of July also coincides with Friday, and the third is Labor Day when September 1 provides a Monday for some leisure time. Just what is everyone going to do with all this time on his or her hands, in addition to the regular vacation period?

Residents in the vicinity of Quorton Lake can look forward to the lake being drained again—probably not until 1948, according to latest information obtained from City Manager Don Egbert. "Last summer we found out what we could do in the way of clearing out the lake, although the entire job isn't completed yet," he stated. There are a number of more important city projects which have priority this summer, he pointed out.

Did the city's DPW, of whatever department takes care of repairing traffic signals, run out of yellow paint when it came to the signal at Adams and East Maple? This Wanderer for a couple of weeks now has been wondering when this traffic indicator will get its new paint job. It certainly needs it. A motorist needs to be almost on top of the light before

he can read the proper signal. As residents between Adams and the railroad viaduct can testify, many westbound cars approach the light at very high speeds and the drivers, if their speeds can't be controlled, should be given an indication of what the signal reads when they are quite a distance away. This will come with a new paint job and a lens cleaning, as evidenced by other traffic signals around town.

John W. Calvert, assistant manager of the Mints Ice Cream Co., Monday became the 66th member of the Birmingham Rotary Club when he was inducted into the organization by Club President Oscar Peterson. Calvert's home address is 16820 Shaftsbury drive, Detroit.

Thumbing through some old dusty reference data the other day, this Wanderer came upon the supposedly true reason why doughnuts with a hole in them so that he could place the soft cakes on the spokes of the steering wheel so he could eat while steering." Certainly sounds plausible.

The Eccentric this week received a note from Washington, D. C., to the effect that Baldwin High School has a place in the tourist statistics compilation given out by Washington Cathedral. The senior class recently toured the national war memorial, now under construction, when it was in its Washington trip.

Three weeks from tomorrow will be the only day during 1947 when the 13th day of the month falls on a Friday. Superstitious folk undoubtedly already have made a mental note of the fact.

This Wanderer notes with interest that a German scientist has

succeeded in transplanting the heart of one dog into the body of another. He accomplished this feat by lauding his great contribution to science, stated, with eight different dogs, but none of them lived more than eight days. Remains of the old saw: "The operation was a tremendous success but the patient died!"

When E. E. Birthroog, 1630 Rivenoak avenue, appeared on Tom Bremmen's "Breakfast in Hollywood" program last Thursday morning, he probably was wondering whether any of his home town folks were listening. There was at least one listener, Mrs. George Gillingham, 708 E. Lincoln, who reported the fact to this Wanderer on Monday. According to Mrs. Gillingham, Birthroog explained over the air that he was in California visiting his son and daughter-in-law.

Birmingham city commissioners have been approached with the idea of acquiring a number of lots along the east side of the Grand Trunk right-of-way just north of the city limits with the view of establishing a city park for the children in the area bounded by the railroad, Adams and Maple avenues. Commissioner Bill Moody is of the opinion that the GTRC as part of a good public relations policy, could afford to give the lots in question to the children in the area. Moody, in a joking mood, suggested, "Yeah, I'd like to see you name it Grand Trunk Park!"

The assessment roll for the improvement of the street in the Birmingham Estates subdivision will be reported back for final confirmation at next Monday's commission meeting at which time property owners affected by the assessment may learn their individual costs. Commissioners Monday night reported this fact

to several persons who thought the confirmation would be that night.

Several persons at Monday night's confirmation of the 1947-48 city budget may have been surprised to hear Commissioner Don Bell vote "No" to the various resolutions adopting the budget. Explained Bell after the meeting, "I was just playing safe in the event that later on I might find something I disagree with. After all, only 30 days on the commission really doesn't give one enough experience to vote wisely on such a matter in the way I feel. So my 'No' vote was just to indicate my present lack of experience concerning city budgetary items."

Baldwin Names 103 Students to Honors List

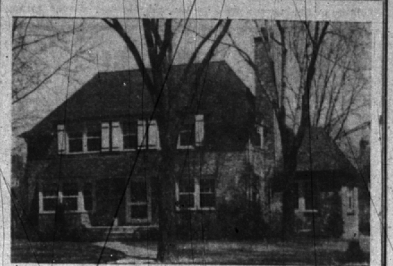
High honors went to 31 Baldwin students for the second term of the second semester while 72 students making high honors are Peter Abrecht, Dick Adams, Marilyn Black, Bob Brungreen, Virginia Carter, Elizabeth Drake, Clifford Dunn, Bill Eastin, John Fontaine, Elsie Fowler, Peter Hartsuff, Evelyn Horne, Knight Houghton, Ruth Kadell, Kate Kelly, Beanna Lange, Nancy Laning, Frank Linn.

Pete Little, Ann Lundberg, Frank Lyndall, Fred Mullender, Sharon Murray, Mary Powers, Tim Reed, Giner Reinhard, Sally Smith, Jo Van Wagener, Cecile Woodhouse, Gerry Yates and Larry Young.

Honor records were made by Charles Allison, Joan Anderson, John Anderson, Mary Babbitt, Helen Babcock, David Ballentine, Florence Bassett, Dorothy Bates, Ed Batty, Margaret Bernier, Mary Betts, Leola Boomer, Sallie Buck, Jean Bushy, Carmela Caputo, Jim Garson, Nancy Chapel, Mary Lois Cole, Jack Carter, Joyce Daniels, Jo Dasher, Ralph Dunbar, Nancy Fisher, Alice Grant-Watters, Frederick Harper, Martha Heckilla, Donnie Helgeson, Jack Hemsteger, Jim Hogan, Sally Howard, Barbara Hughes, Gerry Kemp, Mary Lou Johns, Mary Hughes, Ted Laird, Elizabeth LaBelle, Jack McBride, Carolyn McDonald, Betty Harsh, Bob Morgan, Henry Muller, Pat Mullin, Jim Mulgrew, Chuck Murray, Chester Mrocz, Kay Nichols, Cindy Paredes, Barbara Peppercorn, Joan Prothroer, Hank Price.

Shay Reed, Richard Reilly, Frances Ritter, Shirley Rhodes, Sylvia Robbing, Sally Roseberry, Jack Rowland, Pat Sanders, Bob Sauser, Virginia Schaeff, Kit Scheffler, Joy Stark, Barb Stovall, Mary Stringer, Janice Thomas, Margaret Thompson.

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