

★ ★ Highlights and Sidelights From Schools in Birmingham and Vicinity ★ ★

Barnum Student Council Welcomes 7th Grade Pupils

Last Friday afternoon during one of the regular gym periods, the Barnum Student Council gave a mixer party to the two hundred and ten students in the seventh grade.

A series of contests by the six homerooms was won by Mr. Harold Noble's homeroom. A grand march was directed by Miss Robinson, school principal, assisted by Miss Verna Hanke and Fred Gibson, physical education instructor. Cakes were served by representatives of the student council.

Boys Will Stage Minstrel Show on December 8

In answer to the request for an all-boy assembly, an enthusiastic group of 60 Baldwin boys is preparing a minstrel show to be given before the students December 8.

The idea of having a complete boys' program was suggested by Gerry Hughes, assembly club member. The show will consist of several specialty acts and selections by a chorus under the direction of Victor Ulrich, director of vocal music in the Birmingham schools.

The specialty acts will include soft show dancing, skits, emcee jokes, singing, and instrumental.

Members of the choir are Henry Muller, Tom Sehnolm, Ted Harper, Ward Abbott, George Scott, George Allen, Lee Hanson, George Burdick, John Hart, Dick Jefferson, Jim Ensign, Phil Allen, Gerry Hughes, Jim McCall, Walt Bodie, Larry Hotchkiss, Kinch Swartz, Bill Reid, Don Runkel, Steve Campbell.

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110 Students Have Signed Up for '48 Washington Trip

The tentative enrollment for the 1948 Washington trip reached 110 Baldwin students, all but 15 of whom are seniors, who will participate in the annual eight-day journey during spring vacation.

Major arrangements for the trip are complete, including such things as transportation, a trip down the Potomac river, a day's journey through historic colonial Virginia, tours of upper and lower Manhattan, and the gala days spent in New York City.

The trip will be climaxed by a half day at Niagara Falls on the afternoon of the last day.

Advisers for the group have not been chosen to date but will be announced later.

Students Out to 'Get That Jug'

The Turkey Day game is arousing plenty of spirit among Birmingham students this week. "Get That Jug" is the slogan around the school and all over town. It is written on all the blackboards and in every language from Russian to Latin.

All-Modern Music Program Presented for Club Members

An all-modern program was enjoyed by Music Club last Saturday night at the home of Ginny Hood, 476 Fairfax. Members were called upon to give their own impressions of each of the numbers.

Selections played were "The Temptation of St. Anthony" from "Mathias the Painter" by Hindemith; "The Rise of Spring" by Stravinsky; and Dimitri Shostakovich's "Fifth Symphony."

It was also suggested by President Doug Weeks that the club could be broken into various groups, such as chamber music, symphony and opera, so that each member could hear particular favorites.

Burdick Leads in Yardage Gained With 660 Total

As any fan who has seen a Birmingham football game could tell, Captain George Burdick has been the outstanding star in the Maple backfield all season.

Statistics show that he has gained 660 yards, more than half the total yardage picked up by the group by Birmingham backs this year. George is coming into his own as a passer and has been the best target for other Maple aerials all year.

Season statistics compiled after the Highland Park game show the Maples this year have gained 1308 yards rushing to score 69 points while their opponents have gained 990 yards rushing for 48 points. However, the Maples have been outpassed, 561 yards to 255.

Penalties are the only other department in which Birmingham has fared worse than the opposition. The Maples having been back 287 yards as compared to 242 for the enemy.

Junior Red Cross Council Planned

A group of students under the direction of general chairman Larry Young and faculty adviser J. J. Myers are laying the ground work for the organization of a Junior Red Cross Council in the high school.

Plans first got under way last summer when Larry was selected to go to the Junior Red Cross center in Minneapolis as a representative of Baldwin.

As soon as the council gets under way, Larry will tour 40 schools in Oakland county to promote the organization of more chapters.

Appointed committee heads are production, Ted Harper; human relations, Barbara Hughes; conservation, Peter Hartung and Dick Reilly; entertainment, Virginia Garter; international relations, John Tins; and publicity, Ann Lumburg.

Rain Didn't Dampen Enthusiasm of PTA Open House Guests

Despite the rainy weather, Baldwin's PTA open house last Tuesday night proved very successful with an estimated 450 guests and approximately 190 new members.

After an introductory speech by Mrs. Carolyn McLeese, president, the Baldwin choir sang a few songs (under the direction of Victor Ulrich).

Going from class to class, the parents became better acquainted with the work in the classroom as described by the teachers.

Members of the speech class prepared informative talks on the various extra-curricular activities. Making up the panel were Jim Anderson, Darrell Kelley, Barbara Hughes, Lee Hansen, Phyllis Morse, Bob Saffell, Steve Campbell and John D. Jones.

Ross A. Wagner closed the program with a talk of general interest to the parents, after which the guests then passed to the classes of their children.

Membership Contest Winner Is Selected

Last week the parent-teacher association sponsored a contest among the students of Baldwin high school to obtain new members.

J. J. Meyers' homeroom won the three-dollar prize with the largest percentage of members of the PTA; second prize of two dollars was awarded to Mrs. Mary Hartwick's homeroom and third prize of one dollar went to Miss Dorothy Allen's homeroom.

Each and every student responded wholeheartedly in this drive for new members.

Big Beaver School News

Big Beaver High School will have a temporary basketball coach in the person of Roundup Smith, math teacher on the faculty. Mr. Smith has had some experience in coaching and has done considerable basketball officiating. He will take over basketball until a new athletic coach has been officially appointed.

Superintendent S. K. Baker has gone deer hunting with a party of Big Beaver friends. They are camped near Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Tate presented their new Marjorie show, "Teg and the Circus" on Wednesday, Nov. 19th. Everyone, from the kindergartners through the big school students greatly enjoyed it.

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LATEST PARAMOUNT NEWS

CLUB 1930

By Jean Gibbs

All the Sady Hawkins were there in full regalia Thursday night for the Sady Hawkins Party.

The boys were honored by the girls with corsages of vegetables. A few games were played and the evening was rounded off by toasting marshmallows around the fire place, and singing.

Warren North and his committee, Tom Williams, Cleoanna Pennie, Marquette Kurth and Jean Gibbs have been meeting and have things well under way for the big semi-formal dance, "The Holly Hop," to be given Dec. 20 at the Community House. Wally Trunk will furnish the music. Put a big circle around that date, and for tickets get in touch with any of the committee members.

Tonight we are going to Bloomfield Hills to see an exhibit of semi-precious stones and gemstones. Mr. Baresford will show us how these stones are cut and polished to fine gems. It sounds very interesting. He can take a limited number and the list of interested people is growing rapidly; so if you are interested call Ginny Walsh or Dick Wilson. Meet at the Ranch Room at 8:30.

Please don't forget the Big Barn Party Open House next Wednesday evening. "The Up Club from Royal Oak and "The House in the Woods" from Lathrup Township will also be present. There will be square dancing, mixed dances, and free refreshments. Let's show them we have a very active and energetic group by your attendance that evening. Be seeing you all tonight.

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Folks here were burned up over an article on Our Town I reprinted from a city paper. Made us sound like a bunch of "hicks" who whittled sticks and wore chin whiskers. (Last year I saw with chin whiskers was passing through/on his way east.)

So I ran an editorial on how we spoke of city "hickers"—as over-dressed wisecracks, only interested in making money, and spending it in night clubs.

Fact is, if we got to know each other, we'd probably find we're not much different, underneath. City folks work hard; like to come home at night to their families; and relax with a moderate glass of beer, like we do.

From where I sit, it doesn't matter if you live in an apartment house or on a farm—work in an office or a canteen—the American tradition of quiet home life, temperate habits, and neighborliness is common to all of us.

Joe Marsh

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