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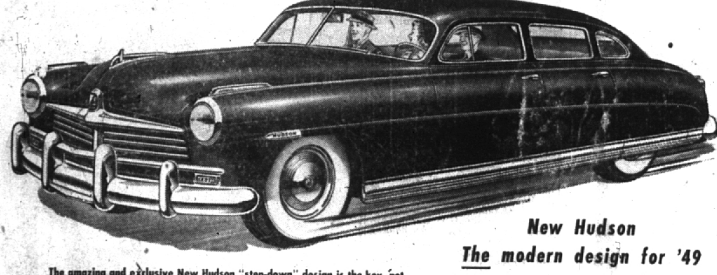
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## Robert Littleton, Star Athlete, Wins Johnson Award

By Bob Webster  
The greatest honor a Maple athlete can achieve, the Johnson memorial award, was presented recently to Bob Littleton, outstanding student-athlete in presenting the award to Bob, Coach Lloyd A. Cooper described him as one of the most promising athletes with whom he has worked.  
Littleton won the award by virtue of his seven letters in track, football and basketball and a B average for his scholastic record. A three-letterman in track, "Koste" has been the backbone of the squads, performing as a star hurdler, dashman, and broad-jumper. He served as captain of last year's cindermen.

**Grid Star**  
Although Bob played only on this year's football team, he led the eleven in scoring and turned in such a fine performance at halfback that he was given honorable mention on the all-state team. He made an all-time school record for most points scored by one player in a single football game with 24 against Mt. Clemens.  
Littleton played three years of varsity basketball. He was a consistent point-getter and a play-maker. When he graduated in January his loss was seriously felt.  
Even after long hours of practice Bob found time to study, for he graduated with a B average. He plans to enter the University of Michigan.

## 150 Teen-agers Sign for Bowling Doubles at Hillwood Alleys

Today, Friday and Saturday will see 150 teen-age bowlers vie for the 20 trophies and 30 trophies at stake in the second annual Hillcrest Bowlers Handicap on Hillwood alleys in Bloomfield Hills. Boys' and girls' awards are offered in the junior division (below grade 10) and the senior division. Late entries will be accepted at the alleys for Saturday if averages are certified by a league or bowler. The entry fee of \$1 per bowler includes bowling.  
The tournament is being sponsored by business firms in the Bloomfield Hills area, with the Bloomfield Hills school league in charge of arrangements. Members of 12 leagues have entered the contest which is being conducted within MHSAA award limitations and under American Junior Bowling Congress regulations.

## April 16 Meet at Rouge Opens Track Season

The 1949 track season for the Maples indicates that the local leads will compete in 12 meets, this year. They have been working out for three weeks in preparation for the River Rouge invitations at the University of Michigan's Yost fieldhouse April 16.  
The Maples are looking forward to another fine season. They are defending champions at the Central Michigan relays, Eastern Michigan League meet, Wayne Relays, Regionals, and runner-up at State. The team opens its home schedule at Pierce field April 29 against Port Huron.  
The entire squad was excused from school Tuesday to get the track in shape and move the bleachers. Coach Lloyd Cooper and Athletic Director Frank Whitley supervised the work.  
The Birmingham track schedule is as follows: April 16, River Rouge invitation; April 26, Hazel Park and Cranbrook at Cranbrook; April 29, Port Huron; May 3, at Cranbrook; May 8, Tentative-Mt. Pleasant Relays.  
May 10, at Royal Oak; May 12, East Detroit; May 21, Regionals; May 24, at Ferndale; May 28, State; June 1, League and June 4, Wayne Relays.

## Spelling Contests Held at Vaughan

The first round of the annual Spelling Bee Contests was held at the Bloomfield Hills High School Friday. The results, by grades, are:  
7th Grade—team: Nancy Rice, Tressa Sikorski, Margaret Sime, Elizabeth Stegmaier, Virginia Adams. Alternates: Betty Benjamin and Ariene Rice.  
8th Grade—team: Virginia Andrews, Shirley Bingley, Donna Case, Rima Nickell, Beryl Wilson. Alternates: Curt Dempster and Carolyn Luttrell.  
9th Grade—team: Mary Andrews, Tony Dimech, Lisa A. Kuhn, Violet Macdonald, Nedra Schuckler. Alternates: Nan Gordon and Mitchell Sime.  
10th Grade—team: Sally Huebner, Bob Hunt, Jacques Linder, Dolly Milbrand, Laurence Multroni. Alternates: Joan Levely and Bob Meyer.  
11th Grade—team: Joby Cooper, Pat Lash, Larry Martz, John Nickell, Donna Westerlund. Alternates: Mary Bowser and Sue Wendell.  
12th Grade—team: James Little, Fred E. Oberer, Robert Rogers, Jack Scott, Joan Wood. Alternates: Dorothy Duffield and Marjorie Thomas.

**News Notes from Vaughan School**  
Last Friday night the Student Council held an all-high school dance in the auditorium. About 400 students attended the "Lipsa Loop" as the affair was named. The music chosen was mostly "soft" and "swing" numbers and included several waltzes. The committee in charge was Dick Blake, Woods Proctor, Sharon Jones and Jerry Levin.  
Official announcement was made last week that the closing date of this year's school term will be June 17 instead of June 24 as previously announced. The week of the 17th to the 24th will be used by the teachers for post-school planning for the 1949-1950 school year.  
The high school history classes presented Monday the last of the full length movies "The Mark of Zorror". This closes, for this year, the showing of a series of eight films which has been a very popular and instructive experiment by the history classes.  
Richard Spies, the high school principal, spent most of last week in Chicago attending the sessions of the North Central Association of Secondary Schools.

# The Birmingham Eccentric School Page

The news which appears on these school pages has been gathered and written by journalistically-minded students of Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Troy Township schools.

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District 3, Region J, of the Michigan High School Forensic Association will hold the district speech contest at the Big Beaver Methodist Church on Tuesday, April 12 at 1:30 p.m. Participants from Clawson, Walled Lake, Farmington and Big Beaver will take part. They will be Mrs. Dorothy Perry, Birmingham High School; Basil Rath, Log Cabin High School and Kenneth Ollis, Bloomfield Hills High School.  
Contestants are declamations, Betty Jean Fredericks and Kay Butler, Clawson; Edna McCreacher, Farmington; Dick Sanderson and Jane Sonder, Walled Lake; Donald Piotrowski and Donna Losey, Big Beaver.  
Dramatic readings, Mary Ann Upton and Patricia Freese, Clawson; Marie Howe, Velma Gross, Farmington; Betty Kenney, Shirley Spencer, Walled Lake; Dorice Spencer, Jackie Tolbert, Big Beaver.  
Oratory, Barbara Currie, Frances Ferns, Clawson; Helen Wallers and Hilda Hartington; Dorcen Davies, Lois Miesel, Walled Lake.  
Extempore speech, Robert Moseley, Ronald Shew, Clawson; Dick Coult, Tom Mooney, Walled Lake.

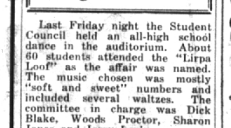
## Crane Meet Maples in First Game

Tuesday, April 12, will mark the opening of the Cranbrook varsity baseball season, when the Cranes face the Maple nine of Baldwin high school on their own diamond. The game will start at 4 p.m., according to the announcement made by Paul A. Thompson, district athletic director.  
David Secher is captain of the team, with Larry Williams as manager. The team is coached by Frederic Campbell, assisted by Robert Kenney and Jack Sanders.  
The schedule for the season is: April 12, Tues., Birmingham High School, at Cranbrook, 4:00 p.m.; April 14, Thurs., Busch High School, at Centering, 3:00 p.m.; April 19, Tues., Pontiac High School, at Pontiac, 4:00 p.m.; April 21, Thurs., Ferndale High School, at Cranbrook, 4:00 p.m.; April 23, Sat., Assumption College Prep at Cranbrook, 2:00 p.m.; April 27, Wed., Berkley High School, at Cranbrook, 3:45 p.m.

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## Musicians to Take Part in State Festival Saturday

The annual state solo and ensemble festival will be held this Saturday at the University of Michigan. Six soloists and the ensemble groups will attend, representing Birmingham high school. At the district solo and ensemble festival in February, the qualifying rate in the first division, the highest division awarded.  
The festival is sponsored by the University of Michigan and the Michigan High School Band and Orchestra Association.  
Attending will be soloists Ronald Phillips, cornet; Kay Kelley, violin; Roberta Connor, flute; Glen Emery, clarinet; Susan Fricker and Jack Adams, trombone.  
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