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## Barnum Junior High News

**Radio Workshop Play**  
The Radio Workshop began its season of plays with a successful presentation of "Three Cheers for Rodney," written by Al Goldstein. The cast included Fred Sheldon, Sally Wilkinson, Bob Appleford, Barbara Aikens, Ken Plasterer, Bob Thalacker, Jim Hildebrandt, Peter Weitzel and Ralph Watts.

Sound effects were handled by Allen Bumpus and Roger Miller. In an effort to raise money for workshop equipment, the members have been selling refreshments at all Barnum football games.

**New Pets**  
Pat and Mike are the names of the two white mice now making their home here. They have been added to the "staff" to teach students how much better a school lunch is than one they would buy uptown. Each day one mouse will eat the Barnum-prepared lunch, while the other will dine on "outside" food. They will spend six weeks here, an equivalent of six years in a human life.

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## Posters Recording UF Drive Progress At Baldwin High

**By Sue Pomeroy**  
With characteristic enthusiasm, Baldwin students are exerting tremendous power for the United Foundations drive. It all started last week when representatives explained the drive to the students in class meetings.

Posters, used for displaying the donations, are present in every homeroom. One of the cleverest ideas is seen in the Joan Meyer's. A tree is the main theme, and every time a dollar is added, it is placed on the tree as leaves.

Miss Merle Taylor's room has a clock to record the dollars. In Mrs. Dorothy Perry's room the dollar goes over a frywning face drawn on the poster and wipes out the crown. Miss Dorothy Aikens has the torch with a flame of dollar bills wrapped in red cellophane.

**Selling Eds**  
Several students are earning their money by selling candied apples, cookies, popcorn and candy. They are using the candy counter, as the assembly club is not selling candy, so the nickels and dimes which would have been spent on it will be used for the fund.

On the last day of the drive all the posters will be taken into the auditorium to be photographed by Joe Wheeler. A complete page in the "Piper," school yearbook, will be assigned to the Torch Drive as the only drive of the year.

Although everyone is being asked to contribute a dollar, many students are going over this, so that Baldwin high school will go far over its quota.

Miss Dorothy Allen is general chairman of the Torch Fund drive in all Birmingham schools.

## Class Field Trip

The Baldwin home and family living class recently went on a field trip to the Art Institute in Detroit. The group was accompanied by Miss Barbara Couture, instructor. Students who made the trip were Dale Baber, Barbara Everett, Dick Sullivan, Pat McGirr, Darlene Groves, and Beverly Hammond.

Club news deadline is at noon each Monday.

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## It Says Here ...

**By Joan Sternal**  
That the clubs and their members are knee-deep in activities. Photo Guild members took a field trip to the Pontiac Daily Press last Friday. While there they saw the dark room, wire-photo apparatus and press room. The Sapphires elected Mrs. F. J. Finkeneuer, Jr., as their club mother when they met at Marilyn Schee's last Saturday. They also discussed plans for a bake sale and completed plans for a canasta party Saturday.

At their box dinner meeting at Louise Hannan's last Friday, the Tarsa girls decided that all the money they earn this week will be given to the United Foundation Torch Drive.

Last Saturday night KST had a hayride at Woods Farms. Tossing hay and looking at the stars were Harry Frantz and Mary Hopkins, Keith MacIntyre, Barb Chesley, Dick Dean, and Jane Malory. Sipping cider, munching doughnuts and trying out the new dance steps later at Harry Frantz's were Ward Abbott, Sue Swartz, Jack Goodman, Kitty Hood, Bob Beebe, Priscilla Martz, Ed Matas, Ann Spademan, Tom Goad, Mary Lou Gregory, Jack Shenefield and Ann Morrow.

## Maples High Score Takes HP Contest

**By Pete Plamstead**  
Outraining three other league schools, Birmingham barriers successfully defended their championship in the league cross-country run last Thursday at Hazel Park.

The Maples had a total of 40 points. Bark, closest competitor, had 45, while Port Huron was third, with 66 points and Ferndale last with 88.

Winner was Alvin Ravenscroft, Hazel Park, in the fast time of 10:08. Bob Weidenhamer, Ferndale, was second and Richard King, Hazel Park, third.

Dick Shallberg led the Maples, taking fourth place in the sprint and was clocked in the same time as the third place runner.

Eric Heizer finished fifth for the Maples. Don Westerby was seventh, Frank Weaver, Bob Pope, Ronnie Phillips, and Roy Horne followed closely.

This is the second year that there has been a league run, held at Hazel Park both years with Birmingham the winner in both 1948 and 1949.

The other two league schools, East Detroit and Mt. Clemens, do not have cross-country. Therefore this sport does not port for the league all-sports trophy.

## School History to Be Presented by BHS Band Friday

**By Roberta Connor**  
The Baldwin band will present a brief history and quick look into the future of the Birmingham public schools between halves of the Monroe Catholic Central-Birmingham game Friday night at Pierce field.

"School Days" will be heard as the band marches down the field to form a little red school house, outlined in red lights. While all field lights are out, the announcer will review Hill school's history from 1891, when the student enrollment was only 55, to 1949 when the 88-year-old building is still serving useful purposes.

The band will then make a formation representing Baldwin while football fans will be told about World War I in which the number of school children greatly increased. "Fantasia" from Irving Berlin's "There" will be played by the high school band.

**Walls Are Bulging!**  
The increasing Birmingham population and school enrollment will be represented by bulging walls of the formation.

In honor of the first band, formed in 1929, Baldwin's band will present the ever popular "Flirtation" by Dr. Herbert Clark.

Baldwin's enrollment is now 600. Peppy cheerleaders will direct the loyal student body in the Baldwin school song.

After the walls of Baldwin continue to bend indicating the anticipated enrollment from 1002 in 1922 to 1383 in 1958, the school falls down and a "W" will be formed.

November 7th will be spelled out by cards as the band plays "School Days."

The unique formations of the band and symbols will be a great need for a new high school.

## Sports Showup

**By Mac Booth**  
The outcome of last Friday's basketball game established Mt. Clemens as the sure champion of the Eastern Michigan league Standings at the present time are:

	W	L	T
Mt. Clemens	4	0	1
Port Huron	3	1	1
Birmingham	3	1	1
East Detroit	1	3	0
Ferndale	1	3	0
Hazel Park	0	4	0

And it looks as if Hill school will finish in this order as Ft. Huron plays Hazel Park and Detroit plays Ferndale in the only remaining league games.

According to the University of Michigan Daily, George Allen, former Maple barrier, took first place in the intramural cross-country run for the second straight year in the time of 11:12. He ran for Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

## Barnum Hits Stride to Defeat Berkley 19-0 in Home Game

**By Jim Milford**  
The '49 Barnum aggregation broke into the winner's column for the first time this season and did it in an impressive way, defeating Berkley 19-0 last week at Pierce field.

Changing their style from a running game to a passing one proved a smart move for the local outfit, with two of the three touchdowns as a result.

The first Barnum score came late in the first quarter when Merv Schlack faked back to the Berkley 31 and passed 28 yards to Gordon Mutch, who gathered it in and scampered the remaining few yards to paydirt. The attempt for extra point failed and the first quarter read Barnum 6, Berkley 0.

In the latter stages of the second quarter Schlack broke away for 35 yards to the Berkley 26. A pass from Jack Sweet to Schlack accounted for the second Barnum touchdown.

Again the try for extra point failed and Barnum went off the field at the end of the half leading 12-0.

In the final score of the game came midway through the last quarter when on a cutback through Rich Tackie Sweet crashed nine yards for a touchdown. Mutch converted.

The game ended with Barnum

making up its first victory, 19-0. The Barnum line was at its defensive peak of the year, holding the Berkley backs to only 33 yards gained by running. Merv Schlack high lighted the Barnum running attack by breaking away for jaunts of 20 and 25 yards.

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**TOO LATE FOR TEARS**

Notes:  
"Too Late for Tears" will not be shown at the Saturday Matinee.  
Don't Miss the Surprise Western Feature!

**Golf Facilities Are Expanded at Edgewood Club**  
Edgewood Golf Club on Commerce Rd. is expanding their golfing facilities to include one of the most up to date practice areas ever to be installed in the Detroit area, according to Charlie Ross, owner of the golf course.

Ross states that he has purchased frontage on Commerce Rd., directly north, across the street from the club house and work has started on the new project. It will include the construction of a new driving range, complete with pitching greens. The range will be lighted and will be 100 yards long with one practice green located 200 yards from the tee and two others 150 yards away. Six banks of flood lights will be erected to permit night usage.

Two other greens at either end of the teeing area, will be used for chipping and putting practice. The new facilities will be ready for use by the beginning of next season, Ross stated.

He also said that the ladies locker room has been completed and all facilities are now in use.

**Local Debaters Down Romulus In Practice**  
In their first practice debate of the season, both Birmingham teams won their debates against Romulus. The meet was held here.

The topic for this year is "Resolved that the President of the United States should be elected by direct vote of the people."

Debating on the affirmative team for Birmingham were Marilyn Hart and Margaret Elliot while the negative was handled by Bob Ervin and Bob Beal.

Charles Thumser, debate coach, stated after the debate that with a few improvements Birmingham should have an excellent chance to qualify for the state tourney.

Last year, in their first season the local debaters won four out of four, one victory short of qualifying.

The first league meet pits Birmingham against University of Detroit high school there during the second week of November.