

**Church League Opens Basketball Season With Double-Header**

In the initial round of the Birmingham YMCA church league, St. James defeated the Order of DeMolay and Holy Name swamped Lathrup Township Community church.

St. James Episcopal church, defending champions of the Southeastern Michigan church district for teams in their age bracket, spotted DeMolay a two point advantage, and then proceeded to build up a lead which they never relinquished through four quarters of play.

Bob Pope, with 15 points, paced the Red quintet while Jack Hooper dropped in eight points for the Gold and Blue. Dale Baker and

Wally Smith played best for DeMolay on defense while Joe and John Ross and John Burton were outstanding for St. James.

In the second contest of the evening, Holy Name held Lathrup Township scoreless as they moved into an eight point lead. Half-time score was 10 to 2, as Larry Knotts and Tony Franco dropped in set shots for the Harmon street boys. With Bob Sampowak breaking away for repeated shots under the basket, Holy Name stretched their lead 22 to 9, the final score. Games last evening found Holy Name opposing Order of DeMolay in the feature game at 8 p.m. Lathrup Township church were the opponents of St. James Episcopal church in the opener at 7 p.m. Games are played each Wednesday evening at Barnum Junior high school under the supervision of the Birmingham YMCA.

**Saturday Program Attracts Children**

"Oh, how I don't hate to get up in the morning" or "The club bird catches the worm" seems to be the prevailing spirit among the hundreds of Birmingham small boys in responding to the City Recreation Board's Saturday morning program.

"Activities have met with such success that all adult instructors have issued a call for more boys and girls to take advantage of this wholesome physical education type of program," said Frank Whitney, recreation director. Basketball sport fundamentals, tennis, and sportsmanship are being taught the boys of the elementary grades in the Adams, Quenton, and Pierce schools gymnasiums.

A special program for seventh graders has been arranged in the Barnum gymnasium and the Baldwin high school athletic plant is being used to foster game experience, clinics, and special demonstrations.

"Parents are supervised. Parents of beginning swimmers should be especially interested in the program offered in the Barnum pool. Girls of the elementary age who wish to participate should report at 8:45 or 9:45 a.m. Boys are to follow at 9:45 and 10:30 a.m." Whitney advised. Experienced adult instructors and their staff of assistants are in charge of all events. Howard Sumner is director at Adams, Harold Newcomb at Quenton, Eugene Hubbard at Pierce, Hugh Loveland at Barnum, Lloyd Cooper at Baldwin, and Jay Myers supervises all swimming events at the Barnum pool.

Additional information may be obtained from the recreation department in Hill School.

**Varsity Club Holds Semi-Annual Election**

The Birmingham varsity club held its semi-annual election last Thursday night at Baldwin. Bob Hardy was elected president; Ken MacQueen, vice-president; Mac Booth, treasurer; Dick Shalburn, secretary; Jack Bee, historian.

Plans for the annual varsity club-facility basketball game will be discussed with Jack Adams in charge of the committee.

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**Bowling Scores**

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O.C.C. LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Gene Cook	28	21	23
Billwood Recreation	28	22	23
Harvey	28	22	23
Kickhaider Mercury	28	22	23
Phin Avon	28	22	23
J. A. Freedom Court	28	22	23
St. James	28	22	23
Secorite Printing	28	22	23
St. James	28	22	23
G. B. Dupont No. 2	28	22	23
St. James	28	22	23
Megale Manor	28	22	23
Handing Mass	28	22	23
Faller Drugs	28	22	23

SIDELINE QUARTERBACKS LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Tankin	21	16	18
Conners	19	16	18
Guinn	19	16	18
St. James	19	16	18
Puttner	19	16	18
Hall Backs	19	16	18
Hurdler	19	16	18
Timber Popper	19	16	18
Spritters	19	16	18
Free Throwers	19	16	18
Hall Backs	19	16	18

MERCHANTS LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Keweenaw Clips	31	24	24
Peck Clothing	31	24	24
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Adams Greenhouse	31	24	24
St. James	31	24	24
Snyder, Kibbey & Bennett	31	24	24
St. James	31	24	24
Faulkner Girdling	31	24	24
St. James	31	24	24
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LADIES ALBI LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Club-McCabe	28	21	23
Aler's	28	21	23
Mackill Hardware	28	21	23
St. James	28	21	23
Reeves Standard Service	28	21	23
Community Markets	28	21	23
Wesch Cleaners	28	21	23
St. James	28	21	23
Summer Book	28	21	23
St. James	28	21	23
Pontiac Farm & Judd Tractor	28	21	23

JUNIOR HOUSE LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Regal Furniture	28	21	23
Carly's Service	28	21	23
St. James	28	21	23
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HOLY NAME MEN'S LEAGUE		Win	Loss
Standard Oil Co.	27	18	21
Fisher's Market	27	18	21
Harmless Community	27	18	21
Farber Printing Co.	27	18	21
Harmless Community	27	18	21
Summer Book Co.	27	18	21
Diner Printing Co.	27	18	21
1 1/2 Mile Inn	27	18	21
St. James	27	18	21
Guardian Oil Co.	27	18	21
St. James	27	18	21
West Maple Hardware	27	18	21
St. James	27	18	21
Ind. High (1) C. Schrock	27	18	21
Ind. High (2) B. Springer	27	18	21

**'Y' Volleyball Group Wins 3-Game Meet**

The Birmingham YMCA volleyball group, under the leadership of Wayne Mortimer and Merrill, met a group from Royal Oak YMCA on their floor. They emerged victorious in a three game match.

Birmingham white-washed their opponents in the first game and then coasted to easy victories in the other two.

The volleyball group meets regularly each Tuesday evening at the Quanton school for play and fellowship.

Any men interested in joining them are invited to contact the 'Y' office, or come direct to the gym with clothing suitable for play.

General display advertising deadline is 5 p.m. each Tuesday.



"WHEELY" A QUEEN—Chosen by those who travel in fast circles—the American Racing Drivers' Club—lovely Miss Mergard is "Miss Dangerous Curves" for 1950. This makes the film star 1950's first queen.

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**Local YMCA Tops Fisher Team; Face Northeastern Next**

Using 10 players to good advantage, the Birmingham YMCA quintet moved into fifth place in the Metropolitan YMCA league standings, with a 42 to 26 victory over the Fisher YMCA of Detroit on the latter's floor.

Birmingham's Dark Green squad were behind 10 to 4 at the end of the first quarter as they sought to accustom themselves to a strange floor.

Going from a man-to-man defense to a type triangular zone, the localites held their opponents as they began to drop baskets in from the foul line. With Don

Little breaking around the guards and Roge Reynolds scoring three times on dog shots, Birmingham left the floor at half time on the long end of a 18 to 14 score.

This was lengthened in the third quarter, when Al Larsen and Jim Kothe potted long shots from mid-floor. Andy Leffus made it 33 to 20 in favor of Birmingham with a spectacular shot from the side court.

In the fourth quarter, Birmingham was content to protect their lead and played a delaying game to conserve their strength. Final score was 45 to 26 with San Salvador of Fisher netting 10 points in the closing minutes of play to keep Yjs team in the running.

Birmingham meets Northeastern YMCA on their floor this evening.

Coach Don Little will see Reynolds and Sutton at the guards, Leffus and Mason at forwards and Al Larsen at center. In reserve will be Jim Kothe, Earl Mudge, Harry Sugden, Harold Kelley and Don Little.

Former Detroiters, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt W. Capps and children, Susan and John who are now residing at 408 Tilbury road; Mr. Capps is district manager for the Pontiac Fuel Company.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Murdoch, formerly of Rochester, Mich., and sons of 616 Croft; Mr. Murdoch is with the Detroit Edison Company.

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