



# The Birmingham Eccentric's Schoonage

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By ROY HORNE

**CHUCK MURRAY**, former Maple basketball captain, leads the list of five returning lettermen turning out for the University of Michigan cage squad. Chuck was a regular last year, and racked up 147 points for the season and fifth place in the Wolverine scoring list. He was elected captain of the 1950-51 squad.

**CLAYTON JOYCE** is a sophomore, majoring in economics at Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa. He plays halfback and won his freshman numerals last season. He is a pledge of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

**FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH** proved to be a lucky day for Birmingham athletic teams as both the football and cross country squads were victorious, and hol-

stered their season records to an even, 500.

ACCORDING TO a Detroit paper, Dale Nicholas, East Detroit halfback, is the Eastern Michigan league 100 yard dash champion. Records show that for the past two years Birmingham's Joe Ross has been league champ and record holder in this event. The best effort by the East Detroiters was in 1949 when Paul Witt placed second.

## High School Debate Assembly Attended By Baldwin Students

Four local high school students participated in the fourth annual high school debate assembly at the University of Michigan last Saturday. About 500 debaters from 50 Michigan schools attended.

Birmingham students were Mary Adams, 843 South Bates; Eleanor Hamill, 831 Madison; Dudley Chapman, 1840 Fairview; Joe Bachman, 32323 Lahser road; and Jack Goodman, 757 Pleasant. Team coach was Charles Thumser, 888 Chapin.

The question was—"Resolved that the American people should reject the welfare state." Background material was given by three university professors.

## Birmingham Takes 2nd Win By Defeating Hazel Park 19-7

By BILL AIKENS

Bouncing back after a scoreless first quarter, Birmingham stayed on the victory road by grinding out a touchdown in each of the three remaining periods to win 19-7 in an Eastern Michigan league game at Hazel Park Friday evening.

At the hands of the Maples, the Vikings received their forty-second drubbing in 43 starts. Since breaking a 39 game losing streak with a 21-0 win over Van Dyke in the season opener, Hazel Park has experienced the all too familiar pangs of defeat in their last three games.

WITH EACH TEAM gamely resisting the opponent's efforts, the only scoring opportunity in the opening quarter was muffed late in the period. A spirited Birmingham drive to the one foot line ended when Captain Gordon Shirra's fumble was recovered by Hazel Park.

Viking halfback Rey Hill punted out of bounds on his own 47. Again the Maples fought toward the goal, hitting the ball to the Hazel Park 17 at the quarter. Hammering at the line, Birmingham ploughed to the three yard

stripe from where halfback Tom Tracy, going wide on an end sweep, crossed the line to score the first tally.

Tracy's kick for the point went wide, and the score stood 6-0. Goaded to action, the Vikings quickly retaliated. On the fourth play after the kickoff, fullback Bud Gray got away for ten yards for the lone Hazel Park touchdown.

Hill hit the line for the extra point, putting the home squad on in front 7-6.

EARLY IN THE second half the lead again changed hands when Tracy cut loose around right; end to go 34 yards for the longest touchdown dash of the game.

Sophomore fullback Gordon Mutch produced the second successful conversion of the entire

season for the Maples on a run off left tackle.

In the final stanza, Birmingham got in easy scoring range when a 16 yard penalty for roughing was passed off against Hazel Park, bringing the ball to within a yard of the goal.

On the first play, Shirra smashed his way to the third and final Birmingham touchdown. The attempt to run the point failed when Mutch fumbled the pass from center.

## Crane Lower School Grid Squad Defeats Country Day 19-0

Cranebrook Lower School opened its football season last Thursday by defeating The Detroit Country Day School 19-0 at Bloomfield Hills.

The first touchdown was scored in the early part of the second quarter when Dwight Davis, son of Cranebrook's varsity coach, took a 20 yard pass into the end zone.

Two minutes later, Tom Gossett ran 55 yards to give the Blue and Grey a 12-0 lead. Then the extra point was scored on a run by Marc Cunningham. The final tally came in the fourth period when Steve Easter ran 20 yards around end.

The strong Cranebrook offense was featured by the hard driving of Tom Gossett, and Joe Bras highlighted the defense with his sharp tackles.

## TROY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL NEWS

A band made up of students from all schools in Troy Township has been making regular appearances at the high school pep meetings and home football games. It is under the direction of Gordon Mathie, Troy schools' music director.

Mathie, a graduate of Wayne university, has also composed words and music for a new school song which has been enthusiastically received.

Officers of the band are president, Neil Muller; secretary-treasurer, Dennis Fink; Secretary-treasurer, Carol Schroeder; and board of control, Joyce Garrett, Helen Warren and Lorne Stata.

Band members are Roy Ernst, Mary Lou Grier, John Bair, Blanche Baker, Mary Evelyn White, David Arthur, Neil Mullins, Charles McMillen, Roy Fairless, Preston Kneeshaw, Carol Schroeder, Shirley Sampson, Charles Block, Helen Warren, Richard Trezinsky.

Don Warren, Dennis Tino, Lorne Stata, Daniel Staley, Gerald Swinson, Karen Peterson, John Northey, Joyce Garrett, Jimmy Hawley, Fred Hamilton, Robert Kuebler, Don Godfrey, Robert Parker, Ralph Durley and Finny Pifer.

TWO TROY HIGH school faculty members, Charles Dove, principal and Mrs. Gladys Mussa, attended the recent college agreement conference at St. Mary's Lake camp. Dove was appointed chairman of the high school curriculum planning committee of the college agreement division of the executive board of the Metropolitan bureau of cooperative school studies.

The high school senior class sponsored a dance Wednesday evening at the school. Mesdames furnished by the Melody Masters. Dance committee members were as follows: decorations, Sally Dale, Beverly Barel, Gloria Budd, Pat Doherty, Lily Mae Clippert, Dolores Serafini, Virginia Duncan and Norma Cindner; advertising, Bernice Fore, Kathleen McPeak, Nancy Arthur and Norma Cindner.

TICKETS, ARE DEAR. Vaunie Bonino, Jackie Tolbert, Carl Roberts, Eugene Miesas, Nancy Arthur, Carl McLellan, Richard Kanch, Roberta Schaal, Tony Kase, Donald Piotrowski, Joyce Bronson, Jim Gammie, Norman McComb, Kathleen McPeak, Craig Nelson, Leland Lambert, Paul Whitmer and Virginia Duncan.

Refreshments, Art Gear, Vaunie Bonino, Audrey Dittmer, Grace Wells, Margaret Stumpf, Dolores Klusendorf, Kenneth Shubing, Royal Kilwy, Charles Holden, Bill Hull, Lily Mae Clippert and Evelyn Felnicke.

Attending the annual journalism day at Michigan State College Wednesday, Oct. 18, were Nancy Arthur, Virginia Duncan, Loren Epler and Eric Ernst. They were accompanied by Miss Ann Radwanski, newspaper advisor and Miss Earle Smith, yearbook advisor.

## Torch Drive Starts At Baldwin Monday

By MARY RICHARDS

With torches on display in the halls, Baldwin classes will join in torch fund drives which start Oct. 23, with each class filling a torch circulated among dormitories.

Chairman of the Baldwin drive is Mrs. Mary Hartwick. She will be assisted by student chairman Bill Wilkinson and treasurer Mary Richards. Chairman for January seniors is Adelaide Smith; juniors, Gordon Converse; junior chairman, Barbara Neal; and head of sophomores, Lloyd Sutpin.

A QUOTA OF \$1 per person was set by a committee made up of homeroom representatives. The torch banks, brightly painted in class colors, are made by Harry Groves and Henry Parks under direction of W. G. Sloat, shop instructor.

The drive will be launched in an assembly at which workers in the union organization, including the drive will address the students. The campaign will be carried by posters and bulletin boards in homerooms.

The kickoff luncheon for Torch fund helpers at the Community house was attended by Mrs. Hartwick, with the student chairman and treasurer. The eight members of the committee who were at the rally at Olympia stadium, last week were Baridie New-Judie Sawyer, Marilyn Hines, Sally Wright, Jack Stiffler, Jerry Pike, Palmer Wood, and Gordon Converse.

## Jan Simpson Wins Harvard Club Award

The Harvard club of eastern Michigan presented its annual award at a recent Cranbrook school assembly. Given in recognition of a student's qualities of leadership, citizenship, scholarship and athletics, Jan Simpson of Galesburg, Ill. was the 1950 recipient.

Ralph Getsinger, who graduated from Cranbrook with the class of 1934 and from Harvard in 1938, presented the winner the autobiography "Aunt Hill Odyssey" by William O. Mann. Raymond Taylor of the Harvard admission office also addressed the body.

## Hazel Park Squad Cops Little Oak Game From Barnum

By JOE KUBACKA

After holding Hazel Park scoreless in the first half, a stubborn Barnum eleven finally yielded 20-0 in a muddy Little Oak league contest at Pierce field last Wednesday evening.

The first half was strictly a running game, neither team attempting a pass, nor making a sustained

drive. The fitter Parkers drove six penalties in the opening minutes of play.

In the third stanza the visit began to show, a long pass snapping a drive climaxed by halfback Steve Zervas scooting over to score with Jim Gray adding the extra point. Barnum took the Hazel Park kickoff on the 41 yard line but could not get the offense moving.

The Parkers tallied twice in the fourth quarter, but their attempt for a third touchdown was nullified twice for offside penalties.

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