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Sports Showup

By STU SCHEIFELE

Around school and town there has been much discussion of the selections for all star teams, especially in the choice of Ray Wines of Port Huron over Marc Joslyn, Birmingham, at the center slot. Maple fans will remember that Marc went over Wines to block a Huron punt, besides outplaying him throughout the contest. Marc was also an excellent

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line backer and a good "60 minute man." Without him the Maples would have lost several games this year.

TWO OTHER MAPLES who failed to get deserved credit were Tom Tracy and Stu Scheifele. Their teammates feel that the two were instrumental in bringing the team its best record since 1939.

All of which brings up another point for discussion. Even some of the old timers are conceding that this team could have beaten those of either 1939 or 1941. And it is Tom Tracy the best back in Maple history! The players and all-star pickers certainly think so. He received 88 first place votes to the next candidate's 51 in the United Press poll.

Quoting from our season statistics we present some fascinating figures for last:

First Downs	Yards Gained	Number Passes Att.	Number Passes Comp.	Per cent Passes Comp.	Points Interc.	Punts	Field Goals	Extra Points	Total Points
27	352	24	13	54.2	12	29	0	12	24
24	244	20	10	50.0	10	25	0	10	20
21	193	17	8	47.1	8	22	0	8	16
18	152	14	6	42.9	6	18	0	6	12
15	111	11	5	45.5	5	15	0	5	10
12	70	8	4	50.0	4	12	0	4	8
9	49	6	3	50.0	3	9	0	3	6
6	28	4	2	50.0	2	6	0	2	4
3	17	2	1	50.0	1	3	0	1	2

Two Lettermen Back for Maple Cage Season

By NED SHARPLES

Birmingham high school cage season, some of whom have been working out almost since school started, are made in numbers of lettermen.

Coach John A. Petrakis, replacing Lloyd A. Cooper as head basketball coach, arranged a number of practice scrimmages to test his system, new to Birmingham players.

Only two returning lettermen, Tom Tracy and Stu Scheifele, bolster the Maple line this year.

Varsity Candidates

besides Tracy and Scheifele are Gordon Mutch, Ned Sharples, Jim Berger, Don Jones, Tom Tjarda, Kent Smith, Bob Appleford, Doug Colwell, Bob Karch, Jim MacFarlan, Russ Nordman, Russ Sanders, Bill Wentz, Chuck Weir, Jim Wheeler and Bud Deloria.

The Maples' first league game will be Jan. 4 at Ferndale. Other league games will be with East Detroit, Hazel Park, Mt. Clemens, and Port Huron.

This year, besides league contests, the Birmingham squad will play Troy, Berkeley, Walled Lake, and Waterford.

SCHOOL PAGE

This page is written and edited for the most part, by Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Crossbrook school students.

Letters Given 28 Gridders

By ERIC DAVIDSON

The Mums' dinner and awarding of varsity and reserve letters marked the termination of the season for the Birmingham high school football teams.

The banquet for 235 team members, guests and parents was held last Friday night at the Community House. Short speeches were made by Bob A. Wagner, principal and Frank Whitney, athletic director.

Guest speaker was Bert Katzenmeyer, University of Michigan, golf coach.

Awarding varsity letters was head coach Vincent Secotine. Senior letter winners were Dave Newman, Andy Dunnington, Bill Dotts, Jim Newman, Jim Newman, Jim Newman, Larry McCracken, Jim Newman, Tom O'Berger, Jim Newman, Russ Sanders, Stu Scheifele, John Schoenfeld, and Tom Tracy.

Junior Letter Winners

were Bob Appleford, Fred Bevis, Doug Colwell, Bob Davis, Bill Donaldson, Don Dupuis, Bill Ferguson, Bob Karch, Henry Moore, Gordon Mutch, Russ Nordman, Tom Rickelman, Jack Watkinson, and Jim Wheeler.

Managers letters were given to Dan Fricker and Dave Morgan. Reserve coach Kermit Ambrose presented letters to Jim Alexander, Joe Archer, Jamie Barnes, Jerry Beck, Payson Chapman, Chris Cassady, Don Darough, Don Dingmore, Mitchell Foster, Tom Griffin, Mike Groves, Dave Hamill, John Havelly, John Hubert, Don Kerner, Jerry Kravitz, Jim Kravitz, Terry Laundry, Jerry Mahrie, Mickey O'Connor, Jim Owens, John Slovic, George Stinnett, Dick Thalacker, Jerry Wedge and managers Jack Coleman and John Sherff.

Pierce School News

Annual early elementary Christmas sing will be in Pierce school auditorium Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 2:15 p.m.

Children of the first through third grades will sing traditional Christmas songs directed by Mrs. Louise Smith and the home room teachers.

Parents and friends of the children have been invited to attend. The later elementary program is scheduled Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 7:30.

Fifth and Sixth grade children

from room 28, entertained the other sixth grades at Pierce Friday with a "movie" made in connection with their social studies. This "movie" made on brown paper, depicts the settling of the United States and the population movement westward.

It begins with the preamble to the Constitution of the United States, which was learned by all room members. The Declaration of Independence and Constitution have a prominent part and the freeing of the slaves and the granting of women's suffrage are also depicted.

Transportation from the covered wagon to jet planes is shown, and communication is treated from the time of the pony express to television.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grades at Pierce have filled 25 Junior Red Cross gift boxes to go to children in other countries.

WALNUT LAKE NEWSLETTER

At a special meeting of the School council Friday it was decided to have a Swap Shop at the school. Judy Sundstrom is chairman and will be assisted by Barbara Sineclair, Billy Noch, Jack Palmer and Jim Sechrist.

Items such as outgrown ice skates, boots and toys in good condition can be brought to the school Friday morning. They will be sold at the price asked by the parents plus a 20% mark-up for the services of the council.

Kindergarten children are making Christmas trees to decorate their room. Second grade is making two backdrops for the Christmas program and students have finished one of them.

THE FOURTH GRADE made a Christmas border in Art class. The fifth and sixth grade had a football game Thursday afternoon complete with cheerleaders and many new cheers. The game ended in a scoreless tie on muddy ground.

Nine members of the Sixth grade attended the Detroit Symphony concert Wednesday morning. They were Harvey Sailer, Judy Sundstrom, Peter Sinta, Jack Palmer, Barbara Sineclair, Dawn Kärnes, Penina King, Barbara Shank, and Mary Roberts.

The annual Christmas program will be held at the school Wednesday evening, Dec. 19.

High School Assembly

The high school assembly last Friday consisted of a lecture and pictures, "Exploring Arizona."

Chairman Martha Brown introduced Ewald A. Stein, lecturer and maker of the movie. The film showed the wild life and scenic beauty of the desert country.

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