

## High School Plans Civic Control Day

The trip to Detroit's civic center, April 23, promises to be an informative and interesting one for all students taking part in civic control day.

The students leave by chartered bus after homeroom and visit the mayor's office at 9:30; Detroit common council, 10:30; traffic court, 11:30; lunch in the Veterans' Memorial, 12:30; jail, 1:30; morgue, 2:30; humane society, 3:30.

Norman Hill, secretary to Mayor Albert Cobo, and Frank Kising are planning and arranging the tour. A bus will transport the students to and from each stop on the schedule and back to Birmingham.

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## Barnum Junior High News

There was an important service meeting in room 200 at 11:30 last Monday, March 24. Mr. George Miller called the meeting to order and took the roll call. Methods of improving the work done by the service squad were discussed. The duties are that each member, while on duty at noon, check everyone's hall pass; each individual member set a good example for his fellow school friends; be on post promptly, the week that he is on duty; he is to report any difficulties to the group captain. He is also to report to the group captain if he is absent or can not go on post a certain day so that the group captain can find a substitute to take his post.

In the last two weeks two newts have been added to Miss Ward's tropical fish collection. Miss Ward, librarian of Barnum Junior High, has an aquarium in her library. The aquarium contains thirty to thirty-five tropical fish.

Newts are small animals which look like lizards. They have slender bodies and four weak legs. The newt is related to frogs, toads, and salamanders. As it can live on land as well as in water, it is classed as an amphibian. The newts are fed fish food and small worms.

**THE STATE SOLO and Ensemble Festival** took place in Jackson, Michigan, last Saturday, April 5. Scheduled to go to the festival from Barnum Jr. High were two soloists and a quartet. The two soloists were Mark Frank and Dick Hubbard. The quartet consisted of Jim Gillen, Mike Weston, Linda Mickelson, and Bob Scheel. The quartet was not able to go because Linda Mickelson was ill. Mark Frank, the only one from Barnum, came back to school on a third division—the only third from Birmingham.

Monday, April 7, Mrs. Walter Yates entertained the 9th Grade Spanish class with a color movie of a trip the Vela family took to South America. The movies were very good illustrations of Spanish and Equadorian customs. They clearly showed the types of clothes and magnificent scenery of the region they visited. The movies were greatly appreciated by the Spanish students.

**THE SEVENTH and eighth grade Girls' Dramatic Club** has begun the production of three plays to be given in early June. For the first time few prologue troupes were held. Mrs. Berrien Ketchum, club director, held troupes.

The plays are as follows: in the **Midnight Burial** are, Mary Wilson, Marcia Reynolds, Sigrid Halvorson, Susie Ketchum, Susie Tabory, Judy Icke, Linda Mickelson, and Martha Cox. **The Part is Picked** consists of Linda Holmstr, Denise O'Brien, Judy Collins, Carole Torrey, Sharon Hodson, Elsie Mortimer, the annual East production of the play with Orson Welles were played as they proceeded through the club.

Mrs. Clark's English classes in the ninth grade have just finished reading "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare. Records of the play with Orson Welles were played as they proceeded through the club.

The club is taking different acts and scenes and making fifteen-minute radio scripts. One of the scripts will be produced and WCAR in Pontiac.

Miss Watson's fifth hour English class has started a club. They named it the S.C.A.R. which stands for Freedom of Speech, Creed and Religion. The officers are: President, Jean Sullivan; Vice-President, Waldon Myers, Program Chairman, Marilyn Strasser; secretary, Bill Wadkinson; Sgt. at Arms, Tom Beck. The purpose of the club is to teach the group to work together as a unit.

The club had their second meeting on Friday, April 4. The minutes were read and approved. Marilyn Strasser then brought up some activities for the next meeting. It was decided to have two teams competing on telling tall tales. Bill Story and Leonard Garlitz were selected captains.

The operetta, "Words and Music" by Harswell and Lee which will be given May 23, contains a few dances. The dances and people who are in them are as follows: Cheer Leaders, Betty Quillian, Anne Shenefield, Trudy McKewen, Peggy Paige, Kitten James, Deanna Trathen, Helen Colwell, and Betty Milligan; the Train Dance: Jack Mitchell, Dick Calihan, Stuart Kern, David Keeney, Andy

Hawley, Jack Fowler, Terry Oldberg, and Rick Emerson; the Modern Chorus, Beverly Harris, Arlene Arlt, Ann Seymour, Barbara Nell, Betty Baker, Deloris Jennings, Barbara Gutman, Ann Stevens, Alain Van Kirk, Virginia Penrose, and Margaret Seyferth. In the quartet's Dances are Don Fowler, Phil Berger, Bob Isbell, Dick Dutton, Steve Few, David Foote. The Voodoo Witches are played by Barbara Oakley, Eileen Chonka, Sharon Lewis, Connie Fetting, Judy Sellers, Annie Jane Adams, Mary Ellen Groves, Molly Martin, Carolyn Huxton, Claire De Nardis. The Imps are Pat Frazier, Judy Cungan, Dana Springer, Gail Strang. The Chefs: Linda Palmer, Joan Spencer, Marilyn Daines, Susie Polhemus, Sue Leader, Sally Young, Jill Beardsley, Barbara Busch, Susan Capps, Elizabeth Ingraham; the Baton Twirlers are Marilyn Chrysler, Nancy Hetrick, and Beverly Sellers.

**ON THURSDAY**, the 7th hour vocational Guidance class saw a movie on soft-coal mining. The movie showed some of the safety measures used to protect the men. It also showed the mining machines in action. It showed open pit and shaft mining. It also showed how coke is made and how different kinds of coal are obtained.

**ON MONDAY**, Mr. Tindall interpreted the results of the academic achievement tests. The boys each checked the test figures and plotted their grade level of achievement in reading, arithmetic, and language.

"Where the Cross Was Made," the annual East production of the Barnum radio workshop, will be broadcast on Thursday, April 10, at 10:45 A.M. over WCAR, Pontiac.

The supporting cast includes Steve Wailes, Noel Stookey, David Long, Dick Lee, Jim Mosby, and Dave Gibbons.

Technicians are Palmer Bollinger, Pete Kass, Dick Whittemore, Roger Hard, Bud Podcosk, Dick Wilson is in charge of music. The student director is Jim Taup. The entire production is under the supervision of Monzelle Clark.

## Batting Practice Starts Training

The Birmingham baseball squad, in defense of its second Eastern Michigan league crown, held its first batting practice last week at Pierce field.

Following batting practice outfielders had fielding practice while pitchers worked with the catchers, sharpening their control. The infielders took part in bunting drills.

Coach Vincent Seantone told the squad that every member must hustle to stay close to Centrabank, first Maple opening, currently on its annual southern baseball tour. Coach could not give any opinion on the team as any revealing workouts have been cancelled by the bad weather.

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