

**BARNUM JUNIOR HIGH NEWS**

"Why the Grimes Hang" was the Christmas play given by the Barnum Junior High students, Thursday night and Friday afternoon, Dec. 18 and 19 in the school auditorium.

The following are the names of the students who were in the play: Harry Altick, Andy Hawley, Steve Perry, Andrea Howler, A. Alexander, Dick Griffith, Peter Hurley, Judy Smith, Don Thalacker, Sallie Bates, Mary Leach, Alan Rogerson and Terry Oldberg.

Miss Lila McCormick, who is in charge of dramatics, directed the play.

Miss Majel Brezette directed the singing groups.

The newspaper contest of Barnum Junior High was held during the period from December 5 to December 15. "Ink Splash" won, but there was no identification with it, so the free subscription was awarded to James Fry who won the second place. More than 75 titles were submitted. The second issue of the school paper came out on Friday, December 19, at the price of five cents.

**MISS DOLORES** gave a new sewing and cooking teacher at Barnum. She is a graduate of Mackenzie high school and attended Wayne University for four years. Aside from the fact that she enjoys cooking because eating is one of her hobbies, she thinks it is a very practical art for all girls. Sewing catches her interest because it enables her to make clothes a little different from the ordinary. Her other special interests are skiing, swimming, and many other sports.

"Milk and Mistletoe" was the name of the Christmas Dance held at Barnum, Friday night, Dec. 12. The doors opened at 7:15. The students signed their names on the homeroom registers. The highest homeroom percentage in attendance were Mrs. Doris Lang's 8th grade homeroom and Mrs. Margaret Barnes', 7th grade homeroom. The boys and girls who exchanged dances had the most names in their autograph books were Sue DeNador and Jim Woodburn, seventh graders, and Barbara DuCharme and Harry Altick, eighth graders.

**THERE WERE MOVIES** in rooms 212 and 214. Refreshments were served in the music room, and ballroom dancing led by Al Rice's orchestra was held in the gym and at 9:00 p.m. a program was given. The doors closed at 10:30.

Monday, Dec. 15, Coach Fred Gibson started the boys gym classes on the trampoline. Coach gave all the rules for using the trampoline.

The eighth grade social studies classes saw a movie entitled, "The Industrial Revolution" last Wednesday, December 17. It takes place from 1750 to the present day and originated in England. It shows the change in industry due to the many new inventions.

The Barnum 7th grade team played Mary Lyons at Royal Oak, Thursday, Dec. 18. The baskets were made by Small, Mulholland, Camp, Stephenson, Duffield and Kroes. The game's high scorer was Bill Stressem-Koeter. The game went into overtime.

**ALBERT BLACK'S** 3rd and 5th hour Eighth grade class has completed its radio broadcasting project. The class members worked in groups of six, gathering materials, editing, and recording. The final programs of news and stories were broadcast to the entire class.

In the Christmas Spirit, eight class members privately recorded a portion of the Christmas Carol. The class as a whole listened to the recording.

The seventh and eighth hour seventh grade class selected materials, wrote the script and produced "Santa Was Here," a skit for the Barnum Christmas Program.

The eighth grade ninth hour class has now completed writing their book reviews. The book reviews in the form of reviews used by magazine book reporters.

**Maple Cagers Win Over Walled Lake**

By CHARLES WEIR

Playing a tight defensive game the Birmingham varsity basketball team downed Walled Lake 32-25 Tuesday night on the local floor.

The game was three minutes old before Jim Barger threw in the first basket. Neither team was able to hit from the floor, keeping the score low. Walled Lake was unable to penetrate Birmingham's shifting, man-to-man defense and refused to shoot from outdoors. The Maples led at halftime 14-10. Jim Barger kept the Maples in the ball game by scoring ten points. His defensive ball was also very good.

The second half started much the same, as the first, both teams playing three minutes without scoring a point. Controlling both boards and intercepting passes Birmingham kept Walled Lake from coming much of a threat. Three quick baskets by Don Dorough and Bob Appleford increased the Maple margin to ten points.

**BOTH TEAMS** were able to connect on only 17 shots from the floor. The Maples hit only 16 percent of their shots. Walled Lake was slightly better with 24 percent.

Again the Maples' ability to make fast shots enabled them to emerge victorious. The Maples connected on 61 percent of their charity tosses while Walled Lake made only 31 percent.

Jim Barger was high point man with 14 points, ten of which came in the first half.

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"IT'S FUN TO DO THINGS FOR OTHERS," according to members of the Vaughan school Junior Red Cross. Here they all lend a helping hand to package the mountains of canned food that they collected for less fortunate families. From left to right are, Christine Norvell, John Sikorski, Bryan Prucher, Barbara Irvine, Valerie French, Diane Bugas, John Little, Cyrus Osborn and Marcee Little. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

**WALNUT LAKE NEWSLETTER**

"Buddi's Nose Trouble" was the play given at the Christmas assembly last Friday by the fifth and sixth grade class under the direction of Mrs. Marjorie Baslander. The play of Rudolf was played by Tommy Harrison.

Santa Claus was Howard Benway and Mrs. Santa Claus, Judith Karney. Paul Heller was the speaking Brownie and other Brownies were Billy Noch, Jimmy Alain, Jerry Chalmers and Benjamin Bamford. Toy soldiers were Roy Marvin, Philip Emrich, David Smith, Richard Bennetts and Edward Nicks.

Snowflakes and helper fairies were played by Deana Hughey, Peggy Sloan, Jojo Smith, Beemland Latham, Sandra Sweet, Sharon Gibson and Margaret Roberts. Grand Bunnies, Elton Muir, Lee Roberts and Marc Whims were a toy train.

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**KAY GRABER**, Karen Madhren, Sharon Pavelka, Jill Mortzo and Janet Roberts were dollies. David Sarlund was a clown and Virginia Irwin the Christmas Fairy. Paul Zimmerman played the reindeer.

After a song by the kindergarten children the name of Pamela Potteiger was drawn to light the community Christmas tree Sunday night. The children of all grades sang "The Christmas Song" and members of the Garden and Science Club decorated the tree with food they had prepared for the birds.

Each grade had a Christmas party Friday. The kindergarten children having theirs in the morning and the others in the afternoon.

The second grade arranged the holiday bulletin board in the morning. The Garden and Science Club had a showcase and bulletin board display on feeding birds.

**Near Completion Of Dance Plans**

"It's your golden opportunity," said the saying which has been prevalent in Birmingham high school the past three weeks.

Many students were in the dark as to its meaning until Linda Widler explained over the public address system in the first publicity announcement for the Merry-Go-Rop. Kathy Berry was responsible for the catchy phrase.

The Merry-Go-Rop presented by Tri-A club every Christmas vacation is a topsy-turvy affair which lets the girls do a bit of spending for a change.

Couples dress alike and compete with other couples in the parade march during intermission with a prize awarded for the most unique idea of dress.

The theme of this year's dance is the Golden Nugget Cafe. Mary Barger heads the decoration committee which is planning many surprises for the party-goers.

Don River and his eight-piece band with a vocal list were secured by Sarah Colwell. Postcards were sent to every girl in school inviting her and her date to attend. Elizabeth Cobb was in charge of invitation.

Sally Wilkinson is preparing entertainment for intermission and Sharon Stanton heads the clean-up committee.

**Maple Reserves Win Second Game**

By JIM WHEELER

The Birmingham reserve cagers scored 38-30 victory last week on the home floor for their second straight win of the season.

The Maple defense sparkled as they dominated the backboards and consistently intercepted passes to off-set the Walled Lake offense.

With the backboard work of Ed Peters and sharp shooting of Dick Sheldon, the Maples had complete control throughout the game.

Walled Lake was at a decided disadvantage in height and depth.

Scoring honors for the Maples went to Sheldon who played a standout game on offense as well as defense. He scored 14 points.

**Students Donate Funds To Family Of Larry Russell**

Students of Birmingham high school voted to abandon their usual practice of making Christmas baskets this year in favor of contributing to the Larry Russell Fund.

Larry Russell, a graduate of the high school and veteran of World War II, worked for the Birmingham post office and carried mail eight years.

When he died last October from a miyaly contracted while serving in the South Pacific, he left a wife and four small children.

The news of Larry's death was a saddening blow to the many people who grew to know, love, and respect him.

Birmingham students expressed their sympathy through contributions to a check to be given to Larry's widow before Christmas.

**BHS Tops League As Debaters Win**

In the last Metropolitan league debate Birmingham defeated Troy to place first in the Northern division of Metropolitan schools.

Birmingham leads the league with a 6-2 record; Country Day, 5-3; Troy, 4-4; and Oak, 3-5; Royal Oak, 2-6. The playoff debate for the City championship will come in early January with the Southern division champion, DeLaSalle.

The state topic is Resolved: "That the Atlantic pact nations should form a federal union."

On the affirmative for Birmingham are John Hickman and Dave Jokinen; negative, Peter Guck and Don Aulin.

Judges for the Troy debate were John Bennett and Mrs. Percy Ann, Chairman of the Wayne University speech department.

In the state league the Birmingham negative team won and the affirmative lost. John Hickman, first affirmative speaker, was replaced by Dorothy Ojala in that debate.

Judges were George Bohman and Lee Drefus, Wayne University speech professors.

The next debate will be on January 8 with Grand Rapids South.

**School Assembly Has Yuletide Note**

The Christmas spirit prevails at Vaughan school where elementary school children are decorating place mats, napkins and tray favors with symbols of the holiday season, under the auspices of the Oakland County Junior Red Cross.

These items will be distributed to hospitals and other designated places by the Red Cross.

School room committee members are John Little, first grade; Diane Bugas, second grade; Marcee Merrill, third grade; Christine Norvell, fourth grade; John Sikorski and Bryan Prucher, fifth grade; Valerie French, Cyrus Osborn and Barbara Irvine, sixth grade. Teacher or sponsor is Mrs. Kathleen Finch.

In addition, contributions of the children for food baskets are being collected and packed by room committees.

*Season's Greetings*

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