

AROUND OUTDOORS

EVER HEAR OF CLOCK-WATCHING DEED?
This writer and hunting partner A. E. "Joe" Aperauch, staff cameraman for The Eccentric, hadn't until an early October bow hunting trip in northern Kent county.

Four mornings were spent in a state game area that had produced well a year ago during bow season. A check the evening before the first hunt revealed an abundance of tracks, indicating the deer were still in the area. They were!

In four days 12 whitetails—six bucks included—were spotted. Four spikes paraded within 25 yards of Joe's blind the third morning out. He got two shots—and no venison.

What was odd was that almost the exact time, in exactly the same spot, at almost the exact time. The greatest variation any day was 15 minutes. It was always just about a hour after the first glimpse of sunlight.

This writer didn't get a shot. A choice location that had produced a half-dozen shots last fall didn't pan out this year.



The Eccentric's 20th century Robin Hoods—Sports Editor Les Line (left) and A. E. "Joe" Aperauch, staff photographer, deer hunting in Kent county.

It didn't matter too much, though. Just being in the woods at the greatest time of the year—and participating in a sport that's really a sport—is enough. Just ask any bowman.

AN ELK BARBECUE DINNER will be the feature of the annual Oakland County Sportsmen's club hunter's roundup banquet Nov. 7. It will be a stag affair limited to 250 tickets.

The club's annual archery banquet is planned for Nov. 9, with the public and all OCS members invited. . . . both banquets will be at the clubhouse in Waterford.

Other OCS notes . . . The ninth annual Michigan United Conservation clubs trap and skeet shoot Sept. 22 at the Oakland grounds attracted a record number of entries. . . . The OCS will sponsor a Boy Scout troop, to meet weekly in the basement of the clubhouse. . . . the club's indoor range will be open to pistol shooting by club members Wednesday nights throughout the winter.

THREE AREA WATFOWL hunters struck it rich one recent morning near Lapeer. Walt Forbes, of Forbes Printing Co.; L. J. Jackson, 16174 Locherbie, and a Detroit man, H. E. Sting, were back in Birmingham at 10 a.m. when a Canadian geese apiece. They hunted with decoys on a farm near a state game refuge.

AN IMPORTANT POINT for sportsmen who carry handguns while hunting or in the field. . . . Michigan's new conservation law requiring firearms and bows to be either encased or broken down and in the trunk of the car while being



L. J. Jackson, 16174 Locherbie; H. E. Sting, Detroit, and Walt Forbes, Drayton Plains (left to right), with limit bag of Canadian geese they nailed a recent morning near Lapeer.

transported DOES NOT APPLY to revolvers and pistols. Wayne Blanchard, of the conservation department's Detroit office, told this writer last week the new law specifically exempts handguns. State laws concerning concealed weapons must be observed, though.

CONSERVATION LAW violations resulted in 349 arrests in Michigan during August, including 250 cases of fish law infractions and 70 violations of deer laws. Convictions in 334 of the cases brought \$3,847 in fines, \$2,628 in court costs and 187 days in jail sentences. . . . Fire so far this year has burned over 5,840 acres of state and private forests and grasslands. . . . Hunters should have a conservation department warning against camping and hunting in oil fields. During last deer season a number of oil and gas pipelines were ruptured by rifle bullets, posing a threat to human lives because of possible fires or explosions. Fire and pollution can also damage nearby hunting areas and fishing waters. In addition, clearings near oil wells do not provide safe camping sites because of the presence of hydrogen sulphide gas, as much as six times as toxic as carbon monoxide. The gas can cause serious eye and respiratory irritations and even death.

JUST RETURN FROM A successful hunting trip? Catch a big fish! Let "Around Outdoors" know about it. This new Eccentric column will be a bi-weekly feature of the sports pages, bringing readers news and photos of the activities of Birmingham area sportsmen and news items of interest and importance to those sportsmen.

Birmingham Stuns East Detroit

Blocked Punts Lead To Both Maple TD's

By LES LINE
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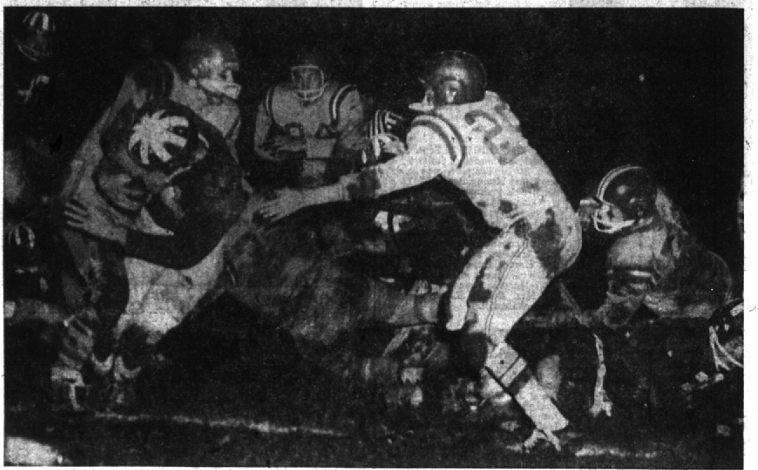
EAST DETROIT—To really give credit where credit is due, you'd have to hand out the bouquets to the fellows who played defense Friday night.

It was because of the finest defensive effort seen this fall that Birmingham high went home from here with a 14-12 upset of touted East Detroit under its bells.

And that win might prove to be the turning point in the '56 Maple campaign, for it was a greatly-improved team that faced the Shamrocks on the soggy and muddy East Detroit grid in near-freezing temperatures.

If the Maples, who now have an even-Stephen 3-5 record, can maintain that peak they reached against the heavy-favored Shamrocks, they're going to make things mighty tough for Port Huron and the rest of the opponents on this fall's schedule.

Both East Detroit touchdowns came on long breakaway runs. Each time the Shamrocks pushed deep



Ed Estes Scores Winning Maple TD

Birmingham left half Ed Estes (arrow) crashes through a host of mud-covered footballers to score the winning Maple touchdown in the fourth quarter of Friday night's

Birmingham-East Detroit clash at East Detroit. His score followed a blocked Shamrock punt. Birmingham stunned the powerful East Detroiters, 14 to 12.

Southfield Second In Inter-Lakes Meet

Southfield captured second place Oct. 17 in the Inter-Lakes conference cross country run at Hickory Hills at Wixom. Walled Lake successfully defended its crown, scoring 56 points to 55 for the Jays. Farmington with 70, Berkley with 98, Waterford, with 99, and Van Dyke, with 110, followed.

Southfield's top runner was Jerry Lieber. He placed fifth. Berkley's Jerry Young won in a record-breaking 10:43.

Maples Win Regional Dual Titles

Birmingham high's cross country runners added the class A regional championship, and the Eastern Michigan conference varsity and reserve dual titles to their long list of conquests last week.

The Maple harriers finished first in front of the rest of the field in the 19-team regional at Farmington country club. Birmingham had 44 points, with Royal Oak Kimball second with 93, Redford Union third with 145, Pontiac fourth with 148, Hazel Park fifth with 183 and Walled Lake sixth with 191. The first six teams qualified for the state meet Saturday at Ypsilanti's Washtenaw Country Club.

Southfield finished 13th.

Jerry Young of Berkley won the regional in 10:10.5 Larry Beamer of Farmington was second, and Birmingham's Lee Todd third, with a clocking of 10:22.5.

OTHER Birmingham runners who will compete in the state meet were Dave Pew, eighth Saturday; Dick Boyd, 10th; Bob Benson, 11th; Fraser Cocks, 12th, and Jim Reilly, 13th. Bill Landis, the seventh Maple runner, was 20th. A total of 125 runners finished the race.

The Maples nipped Royal Oak Kimball, 22 to 36, for the Eastern Michigan dual title at Royal Oak Oct. 22. Kimball's was also undefeated.

It was the 20th consecutive dual meet win for the Maples and the eighth of the season.

Todd was first in 10:37.3 not far off the course record of 10:34.5. Kimball's Tom Harris was second in 10:56, followed by Birmingham's Landis in 10:57.

HOW THEY STAND

EASTERN MICHIGAN			
Team	W	L	T
Hazel Park	2	0	0
Southfield	2	0	0
Farmington	2	0	1
Berkley	2	0	1
East Detroit	0	2	0
Van Dyke	0	2	0
INTER-LAKES			
Team	W	L	T
Southfield	4	0	0
Walled Lake	2	2	0
Waterford	1	3	0
Van Dyke	1	3	0
WAYNE-OAKLAND			
Team	W	L	T
Van Dyke	3	0	0
Southfield	3	0	0
Clarkston	3	0	1
Clawson	2	1	0
Madison	1	2	0
Fitzgerald	1	2	0
Avondale	0	3	0
OAKLAND B			
Team	W	L	T
Lake Orion	2	1	0
Clawson	2	1	0
Troy	2	1	0
Madison	1	2	0
Fitzgerald	1	2	0
INTERSTATE PRIP			
Team	W	L	T
Nichols	1	1	0
CRANBROOK	1	1	0
Western Reserve	0	1	0
University	0	1	0

Port Huron To Be at Full Strength For Upcoming Clash with Maples

Special to The Eccentric
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PORT HURON—Despite a 2-3-1 record to date, Port Huron high school football coach Bob Hayes says that his current team is potentially one of the best he has had in his 11 years with the Big Reds.

"We have had wonderful spirit all year," he says. "In spite of more crippling injuries than you would expect to have two normal years. And of course, the flu."

The hospital list thus far bears out Hayes' statement.

In six games, the Reds have yet to put the eleven players he considers his best on the field at one time. Both the line and backfield have been hit.

The Reds opened the season with a 13-0 loss to Bay City Handy in which two regulars weren't even at the game. The following week there were as many as 27 of the 48-man squad out of school with the flu. The team that lost to Highland Park, 19-7, was minus three regulars, and several played without having practiced all week.

THE REDS were in much better shape, especially when they tackled Lansing, Eastern in their third game of the year. But they were still showing the effects of the missed practice sessions as they lost, 13-0.

Head Mike McDonald, of the team's strongest outside runner,

the Shamrocks' score, but was stopped otherwise.

Port Huron was a "flat" team in the 13-13 tie with Farmdale. The offense rolled up 248 yards by running but had trouble moving the ball when deep in Farmdale territory. Palmtree was still out and things would probably have been different had he been ready to go.

As of Saturday, it looked as though the Reds might be intact, for the first time this year, when they meet Birmingham Friday. Hayes toyed with the idea of using Palmtree against Farmdale, but decided another week might put the big boy back in top shape.

THERE HAVE been several bright spots in the Reds' rather mediocre picture. Captain Dick Smith and Floyd Williams have played outstanding ball at the tackles as have Fred Burrell and Harvey Quintal, ends. Smith, at 230, and Williams, 230, are the big boys on the squad.

Len Faulkner, 145-pound halfback, has also played good ball. Other probable starters, offensively, are Ken Koob and Gary Jamison, guards; either Bruce Pyles or Dave Clark, center; Paul Sheehy, quarterback; McDonald and Faulkner, halfbacks, and Mires, fullback.

Defensive specialists are Jim Wallington, Marty Parker and Lynn Feigert, the line; Larry Streeter, Chuck Schriener and Tom Fitzgerald, linebackers, and Reid and John Zauner, halfbacks.

The Situation Was Tense

The tenseness of this particular moment during Friday night's Birmingham-East Detroit game is revealed in the faces of these five men. Left to right are John Petrakis, Birmingham basketball coach; Dr. H. E. Jones, team physician; Carl Lem-Detroit game is revealed in the faces of these five men. Left to right are John Petrakis, Birmingham basketball coach; Dr. H. E. Jones, team physician; Carl Lem-Detroit game is revealed in the faces of these five men. Left to right are John Petrakis, Birmingham basketball coach; Dr. H. E. Jones, team physician; Carl Lem-

Maple JayVeEs Win Third, 14-6

Birmingham's reserve team won its third game in four starts last Thursday afternoon, notching a 14-6 triumph at Hazel Park.

A pass from Benny Hurd to George Forrest covered 10 yards for the first Maple score in the opening quarter. Gordon Loveland dived over from a yard out for the second in the third period. He kicked one extra point and ran the other.

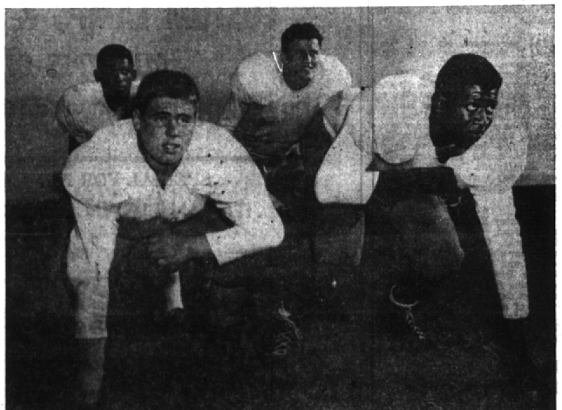
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Birmingham's lead was 14-0 before John Hunter tossed to Carl Strombeck, the play covering 65 yards, for the Hazel Park score touchdown.



They Spark Port Huron 11

These four gridders figure heavily in Port Huron grid plans this season. Front, left to right, are Captain Dick Smith and Floyd Williams, starting Bib Red Tackles. In the rear, left to right, are Len Faulkner, regular halfback, and Bernie Palmtree, powerful 210-pound fullback. (Photo Courtesy Port Huron Times Herald.)