



Barnum Jr. Scores First Court Win

By AMY KELL
Special Writer

Barnum's basketball team got on the winning track, after its first loss to Norup, 45 to 3, by handing Southfield Lederle a 35 to 27 defeat on Friday, Dec. 17.

Although Lederle took a 6-1 lead at the end of the first quarter, Barnum roared back and scored 20 points in the second period and out-posted a 25 to 19 lead at halftime.

From there, Barnum never lost the lead and time ran out before Lederle could make an attempt to win. Barnum was paced by Jeff Mays and Marty Kovachovich who scored 19 and 11 points, respectively. Barnum's record now stands at 1 win and 1 loss.

THE TEAM IS UNDER the guidance of Coach Stoll. Barnum's next game will be against Levey in Barnum's gymnasium.

The eighth and ninth grade ensemble met at Shain Park on Monday night to carry out a Birmingham stores with Mr. Smela as their director. First they sang at Shain Park and then trod through the cold to Kresge's. When they returned to the park and back to the store again. At Demery's the manager let them come into the store to entertain the customers.

Parents, students and teachers enjoyed the tea given by Mrs. Crewe's and Mrs. Maynard's home economics classes. Attendance was large.

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, the publications class, accompanied by Mrs. Decker and Mrs. Froyelund, enjoyed a trip through "The Birmingham Eccentric."

ESPECIALLY INTERESTING was seeing the presses print, cut and fold the paper and watching the offset process print the four-color process. All in all, the group felt that they learned very much.

Song Groups Perform At Bloomfield Jr. High

By HARRIETT FOX
Special Writer

The Christmas Concert was held Dec. 17. There was a large crowd to see our six choral groups, the ninth grade choir, the eighth grade boys' and girls' Glee Clubs, the Madrigal Singers, Twelvemones and Cadet bands and the string ensemble perform.

The nine groups were the entertainment for a Christmas assembly on Wednesday, also.

ON DEC. 11, the Lancers were hosts to Pierce Jr. High's basket-

ball team. The Lancers were defeated, 43-28. One bright spot though, Jhn Humme scored 16 of our 28 points.

Bloomfield's third basketball game was against Smart Jr. High of Waterford. That game was Dec. 18. Our fourth game is Jan. 8 against Cray.

A four-room addition has been started at our school. The plan for the millage proposal on the ballot last spring.

The classrooms will be ready next fall for any classes that do not need special equipment, such as English, history or math. Selling candy canes was a money-

Area Students Graduated at MSU Campus

Michigan State University awarded degrees to more than 1,100 students at fall term commencement exercises Dec. 11.

The graduation list includes 735 bachelor's degree candidates, 325 master's candidates and 114 doctoral candidates. Six students were candidates for the Diploma for Advanced Graduate Study.

U. S. Sen. Philip A. Hart, the commencement speaker, was awarded the honorary Doctor of Laws degree. The fall term at MSU closed Dec. 18.

GRADUATED FROM Birmingham were Richard A. Brodie, 1580 Tottenham, BA Genl. Bus. Adm.; Davis O. Cowles, 821 Grandfield Ct., BA Genl. Marketing; Karen L. Fenske, 30740 Stellamar, BA Elementary Educ.; T. J. Hendrickson, 1170 Arden Ln., BA Production; Thomas Kovachevich, 1101 Shipman, BA Social Science; Gretchen A. Kuschwa, 5761 Woodwind Dr., BA Speech; Terry Letourneau, 2033 Manchester, BA Economics; Judy A. Lucas, 863 Rivenoak, BA Elementary Educ.; Clyde K. MacKen-

zie, 2906 Summerville, BA Social Science; and William C. Yates, 6534 Paddington, BS Physics Astron.

Others were Thomas G. Asher, 3788 Griffith, Berkeley, BS Mathematics; Gloria Sweeney, 1811 Posters Lane, Bloomfield Hills, BA Elementary Educ.; John T. Delaney, 28776 Meadowbrook, Lathrup Village, BS Home Economics; Sherry B. Berman, 17700 Adrian, Southfield, BA Elementary Educ.; Virginia J. McAtee, 1031 Magnolia, Southfield, BA TV Radio; and James W. Parker, 17105 Dorset, Southfield, BM Choral Music, (Honors).

A new shirt on which everything stretches, the shoulders, sleeves, tapered body and the collar promises complete comfort.

Volunteers Who Care

Helping to serve at mealtimes is one of the many duties performed by the Red Cross Hospital Volunteers serving in the newly opened McComber Medical Center at Presbyterian Village of Detroit, Inc. Pouring coffee is Mrs. William Hermann, 2515 Amberly, Birmingham, while the Director of Volunteers, Mrs. John Huggins, 500 Overhill Road, Birmingham, assists Miss Eva Lewis with her chair. Miss Lewis is the aunt of Mrs. Burt Hutchings, 236 Chesterfield Road, Birmingham, who initiated this program. This group of volunteers used to be known as Grey Ladies, but they are now dressed in smartly-tailored blue uniforms and caps. They give of their time and talents by performing services such as washing and combing hair, helping with baths, trimming nails, helping with mail, mending, shining shoes and saying Grace at mealtimes. At present there are 18 volunteers from three churches including First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham.

Happenings

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30 YEARS AGO
December 28, 1934

Fearing the possibility they may be forced to close the Birmingham public schools Feb. 15, school officials this week began mapping a community-wide campaign to stimulate the collection of school taxes. Although details of the campaign have not been completed, it will enlist the support of clubs and organizations throughout the school district, and its chief purpose, according to Ray A. Palmer, secretary of the Board of Education, will be to acquaint taxpayers with the exact financial condition.

Stimulated to a marked degree by the Good Will Campaign sponsored by the Retail Merchants Association, Christmas business in Birmingham this year was the best since 1929. Business in some lines was up more than 25 per cent over last year, and indications are that when the final bookkeeping for the year is completed, some increase will be reported by every business in the city, without exception.

With stamp sale receipts for the year promising to exceed those of 1933 by 25 per cent, the Birmingham postoffice is assured of maintaining its first class rating. Postmaster Byrnes said yesterday. Although Christmas business tabulations have not yet been completed, sales for the year have already passed the \$50,000 mark. The first class quota is \$47,500.

15 YEARS AGO
December 22, 1949

Consumers Power Company officials are attempting to determine the manner in which the company and the City of Birmingham can decide what gas mains should be replaced to prevent breaks such as caused the Antique Shop explosion and fire Dec. 11. City officials have requested immediate replacement of the old cast iron main on Woodward from Oakland to Oak and from Brown to Lincoln.

Approximately one thousand dollars has been contributed by local residents and business concerns to the Lee C. Carroll fund during the past week. The Eccentric will continue to accept contributions for this worthy cause resulting when Mr. Carroll, a Birmingham fireman, lost his life in the gas explosion at the Mother & Son Antique Shop a week ago last Sunday.

One of Birmingham's warmest traditions is the annual Christmas Sing held at the Civic Park each Christmas Eve. All residents are invited to join in this community vaudeville Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Each year the event is heralded with the pealing of chimes from one of the local churches and this Saturday the First Methodist Church bells will ring out the signal for all to gather in the park.

The drug industry consists of about 1200 manufacturers, 450 wholesalers and approximately 55,000 retailers and retail drug outlets where the public buys its home remedies and gets its prescriptions filled.



Merry
Christmas

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR FRIENDS!

One of the nicest things about Christmas is the opportunity it gives us to pause, putting aside all of our professional reserve, and to speak as one friend to another, extending our thanks to you for loyal patronage during this past year. And also to wish all of you a very hearty Merry Christmas from the management and all the staff at Monahan's!

Tom Monahan

Austin Murray

MONAHAN'S BEEF BUFFET

675 E. MAPLE RD.

BIRMINGHAM

The Last Christian

I have searched on this morn for some trace or sign
But in peering have found you nowhere
Near me

I have prepared in my temple for your coming
And reveled in your approach, but all about me
Is nothingness

I have scanned the eyes of others
And ventured into their actions, and yet I find
No trace of you

I've built all around this one day
While others play upon it for their gains these
past, fortnights
Are you somewhere crying?

I have scorned family and friends for their
Frivolities, for their nearsightedness, seeing only the
Temporal. Where are you?

All their tinsel trees and ribboned wreaths
I have shunned, and looked beyond their red and green
But I see you not

And now at last I realize the sadness you must have felt
When reindeer trampled your memory—
And someone called it X-mas.

Tom Schusterbauer
Brother Rice High School

People's Column Letters

Legislation Against Guns Is Opposed

To the Editor:
As a member of the National Rifle Association, I wish to comment on the "This and That" column on Dec. 10th, 1964.

This has to do with the Federal Government checking on the ownership of firearms by private individuals. Could it be that our President has not heard of our second amendment?

I own and enjoy upwards of 20 guns of various types and I would hate to see the day when some government paid "flunky" could

fore the public eye. This article will be sent to the headquarters of the National Rifle Association where it will be given proper attention.

DOUGLAS J. HOOPS,
3210 Kernway Drive,

Requests Gifts For Teen-agers At County Center

To the Editor:
We are asking that during this Christmas season people try to remember that there are people less fortunate. Children especially need to be remembered at this time. Not just younger children, they never go without at Christmas. It is the teen-agers.

There are some people who just feel they are animals and of no importance at all. At the Oakland County Children's Center where delinquent and neglected are housed, including Camp Oakland and other county shelters, teen-agers just seem to be forgotten by so many of us.

The staff at the center feel that they need a gift, too, and my husband and I feel so strongly about this that we will go to great lengths to get people to listen to us. Gifts for teen-agers, boys or girls age 12 to 18, can be anything like your own children would like but it should be unwrapped and new. Gifts can be dropped off at the children's center or at our home.

MRS. L. H. LANDAU
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Oak Park

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come into my home and tell me that I would have to register these self-same weapons.

Any handguns that I own are duly registered with the proper officials; but shotguns and rifles—that is rather stupid, isn't it?

WE OF the National Rifle Association have been fighting a constant battle against stupid anti-gun-legislation. We will continue to fight it, and anyone who would care to join this fight can contact Cong. William S. Broomfield in Washington, D.C., who is sympathetic to our cause.

Thanks to George R. Averill for mentioning this in his "This and That" column and bringing it be-