

ing things of life are the good, the correct, the beautiful things. Every human apprehend it but a drift toward eventual Utopia.

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Cranbrook Signs Industrial Artist

Walter Baermann, an outstanding industrial designer in the United States, has recently been appointed head of the new department of Industrial Design of the Cranbrook Academy of Art. He will arrive in Bloomfield Hills in September and take up residence at Cranbrook.

Baermann was born in Germany, was graduated from the University of Munich, has lived in this country since 1928, and in 1937 he founded and has been director until this summer of the California Graduate School of Design at Pasadena. His American experience includes work with the design organizations of Joseph Urban, Norman Bel Geddes, Henry Dreyfus, Howard and Looney, 1929-32; independent industrial design practice, New York, New England, etc., 1932-37; Educational director Springfield (Mass.) Museum of Fine Arts, 1933-36; consultant of Boston and Worcester (Mass.) Art Museum 1936-37; and a private practice in Los Angeles and Pasadena since 1937.

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1866 Papers Require Reading Glass

Reporter Satisfied With Modern Type

By KATHRYN UMPHREY

Too many big black headlines is a criticism one often hears of our big daily papers—but after looking over two early issues of the Detroit Free Press, dated April 2 and 12, 1866, this reporter is inclined to think that our big black headlines are all right.

H. W. Rainer, of 424 West Maple avenue, came in recently with the old papers. It seems that he found them between the claspboard and plaster of the old Martha Baldwin home when he was helping to tear it down about 15 years ago. He put the newspapers away then and just recently came across them.

Need Reading Glass. I contented with a look for several persons: if you are the kind of person who likes to read his daily news with the aid of a read-

ing glass, then this story isn't for you, because a reading glass is necessary to help digest the new fashions of 1866. The type size used was 3 1/2 or 6 point, whereas what you are reading now is in 8 point. If you look at this—wage closely you will also see a little space between the lines—this makes for easier reading; however, in Lincoln's time, lines were as close together as possible.

The newspaper itself was actually 5 1/2 inches longer and 3 inches wider than our present papers. When you consider the trouble one runs into in opening and handling a paper at a lunch counter or on a bus, you can be thankful that some one decided to economize on size in newspapers.

There were headlines in 1866, all right, but they were condensed in the fifth column from the left with little regard to placement of stories under them. One on top of another, 40 heads ran the "Whisky Banned the Capitol," "The South Will Never Concede secession," "Army Defeated," "Awful Tragedy—A Family of Seven Persons Murdered," and "Bike."

What Senses! One story prominently used in the April 12 edition dealt with a young man who had decided to desert his family. But his wife and the strong arm of the law caught up with him, and he was required to go back home. That story undoubtedly was an sensational and caused even more comment in 1866 than the usual daily murder does in 1941.

Much of the news dealt with Reconstruction Commission for the South. It was stated that while in the South there was a general acquiescence to the idea of a perpetual union, that the people there would not demand equal political rights with the negroes, and that prediction was quite correct. A great deal of discussion and pro and con, was waged about the fitness of President Johnson, such criticism of Congress sounded more than vaguely familiar to this reader, with a few changes here and there it could have been used in last week's Free Press.

Strikes were also the order of the day. A special dispatch from

Houghton, Mich., says that two of the major companies in "Keweenaw" County had suspended payments and stopped working. As a result the miners were parading the streets, carrying a black flag for a banner, and threatening destruction.

National News. A negro celebration in Washington, D. C., was reported orderly and quiet while at a similar affair in Norfolk, many were killed and injured. A cholera epidemic was soon expected to break hold in New York City, since the disease had been found almost several ships docking there. Although the

Bits of Birmingham

The Wanderer, going by the Methodist Church the other day, and quiet while at a similar affair in Norfolk, many were killed and injured. A cholera epidemic was soon expected to break hold in New York City, since the disease had been found almost several ships docking there. Although the

Some months ago, I sat parked in the West End, and a car came and crashed into the front fender of the Baptist Church. The wanderer recalled the incident when reading in the city's traffic ordinance this week a regulation that it is unlawful for any one around or about a church to park on a street.

Did you know also, that it is unlawful to ride outside a car and that it is unlawful for any one to operate a car if a passenger is not properly seated?

Stores are busy selling fall clothes. Women are wearing fall things already. Work until the next hot spell hits us.

We have been advised that the State Championship horse show tournament will be held Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 1 at Wings Field, An Arbor. And this Wanderer thought horsebites had declined with the horse.

Mrs. Elizabeth Whelan, Birmingham, has filed suit for divorce from Henry Whelan.

If the weather gets hot, the Tigers; they're not hot.

They're telling a story about an American in China. An air raid commander and he fell into the filthiest garbage hole imaginable. Asking a passing Chinese for help, the patrol in the extreme and decorated with beautiful white ribbons, were stripped from the walls and given to the American to swab himself clean of the filth. When finished, he remarked to his Chinese friend, "My, what marvelous Chinese hospitality!"

The other replied: "Not Chinese hospitality. Japanese embassy!"

Haines Hower, 371 Townsend, reported to police Sunday that some one had stolen a gasoline tank cap from his Cadillac car.

The criterion of what's interesting some times does queer things to the wild plans of publicity chairman. They chose a peach queen over at Romeo last week but the girl who is being pictured in the papers from coast to coast is the queen's maid of honor, Virginia Butler, of Flint.

Miss Butler, it was discovered, gets lives from plays.

Harold Corson, Roy LaBarre and Ralph Goodrich, of Detroit,

Health department was taking all possible precautionary measures, undoubtedly hundreds of people succumbed to the epidemic.

Although those were supposed to be the days of blood and ink for journalists, I could find nothing particularly bold or villainous in the editorial, particularly in comparing them to the well informed editorialists, columns and by and by. Perhaps the blame was laid for want of a reading glass, but in any event it is all for the best means of getting the news, along with funnies, women's articles, advertisements, pictures, the biggest and blarney headlines.

Our police chief, J. P. Hackett, that Buffalo attending the annual meeting of the International Police Chiefs' association, getting the crowd from officers just being discharged from the City Commission last week.

The City of Birmingham says about 1,500 gallons of gasoline in the month, and buys 3,000 gallons at the rate of 14 cents a gallon. The loss. The most recent price was 20 cents a gallon, an increase of 6 cents. The City says that competition exists on a large scale that, and the City can buy gasoline for less than a filling station operator. The City pays 20 1/2 cents a gallon.

A subscriber called us to suggest that we warn the public against "other newspapers" accounts.

One of our policeman friends told us that he had seen a public wanted to do us a favor and make it possible for us to agree to a "warrant" if we could name their house number. My 288 covered up by bushes and hid and hid to see.

This idea is good. You may not be able to see a hairy spider and a little house number.

Bobby Morgan, 11 years old, son of Walter Morgan, one of the boys who got in the car, and he sounded like a strange hobby that young boy, but Mrs. Morgan said the weather was bad outside. Bobby has nothing better than to sit in a car, or a batch of coffee.

He certainly puts to shame some women who say they haven't any luck at baking.

It will soon be time to buy new license plates. Why shouldn't Birmingham be a city of 11,000, and getting a much in the last past a bureau of its own at least past the year? Why should our people have to go to Royal Oak, Pontiac or Detroit? We must speak to Harry Kelly about it.

In our garden column this week, in an article on wildflowers, we stated that included among the early bloomers are Dutch poppies-breccles.

Bill Becker, 22, West Maple, his drawer, for a splendid effort on which the progress of our news found that he is a hero. Thanks, Bill.

Fire Chief V. Griffith, accompanied by Fred "Doc" Tucker and Willie Jones are home after a victory trip into the Potomac region while trolling in Potomac region. Bow, Drummond Island, Verge hooked a 25-pound northern pike. That is all we could get out of the modest Mr. Griffith.

Passerby thought they were smoke in Sherman's market last Tuesday. It was only a mist of dry air.

Firemen were called last week to the home of A. S. Beall, 1279 Vega road, where fat on the stove

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Taylor Fines Speeder Nabbed on Lincoln

Walter Datskyfero, 19 years old, employed at Oakdale Hills Country Club, was arrested early Saturday morning for speeding. Patrolman Sam Stiles and Ed Carlson stopped him at West Lincoln and Arlington. When he appeared before Associate Judge James W. Taylor, he was fined \$15. The youth lives at 18817 Sunset, Detroit.

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