

Just as we have to wash his face and hands every day, so does one have to wash away the cares of everyday life, to get to the reading of inspirational writings, and/or listening to good music, to a quiet walk, to the clearing.

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## THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

During the five years of no-war from 1945 to 1950, the Truman administration could not balance the federal budget. Now, with many billions added to the budget, the President calls for almost confiscatory taxation, "so that the budget may be balanced. What only goes to show that the President is getting poor advice from his economic advisers, and is glib enough to swallow it.

The simple truth seems to be, from the record itself, that the Truman administration is so full of political Fair-Dealers that it never intends to try to achieve a balanced budget.

"U.S. Puts Clamp on Use of Nickel" read a recent Detroit News headline. "Heck," exclaimed the local newspaper, "that clamp was put on a long time ago when a nickel ceased to be worth five cents!"

A tremendous financial problem has been created by Army withdrawal of all slot machines from its various bases. These slot machines used to provide plenty of cash for welfare and entertainment funds for the soldiers. Now admission fees are charged for some entertainment, which merely raises the question: Do admission fees come from the same pockets that feed coins into slot machines? If so, then aren't some of the soldiers better off without slot machines?

Senator Taft declares that the U.S. Army ordered 1,300,000 women's dresses. "With not more than forty or fifty thousand WACs to be in the service, this would mean about 30 dresses for each WAC," he said. "Is this just 'bait' to get the girls to enlist?"

Western European businessmen are accused of selling various machine tools to Russia that help the latter nation manufacture atomic bombs. Apparently, the profit motive knows no international boundaries which place human liberty in a precarious position.

Prior to the Korean trouble President Truman says he had to sign an average of 600 official executive orders, and that now that states have gone up to 500. (These figures, of course, include his hastily written communications to Congressmen, music critics, and

"Ike" Eisenhower has earned, and justly, the title of "Great American." If President Truman had 90 per cent of "Ike's" greatness, as there were 10 like him in both Houses of Congress, the pattern of American democracy would lead to the lines of absolute character—for the exemplification of real character is the best antidote for cheap politics.

Then, and then only, would the United States be, by shining example, able to prove to a skeptical world (both domestic and international) the value of the United States Constitution.

From time to time you read various predictions about who will become Stalin's successor, when that old codger shoves off to Hell. Most of the names favored are those offered are names like Malenkov, Beria, Zhukov, and others.

This only proves that in the Soviet-Polish sections do our corrupt, power politics is played, uncorrupt exist.

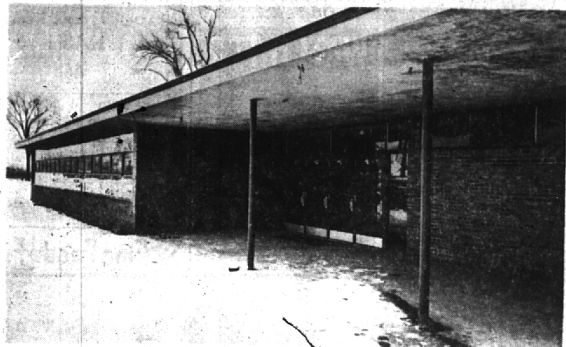
Were the Western Allies ready to cash in on this fact in human nature, and do those things necessary to shift the balance among the Russian people themselves, they might help to unseat the handful of Soviet tyrants, and start Russia on the march toward real self-government... and a long period of world peace.

**Southfield Board to Discuss Fire Halls**  
Construction of future fire halls in Southfield township will be discussed at the Feb. 27, township board meeting.

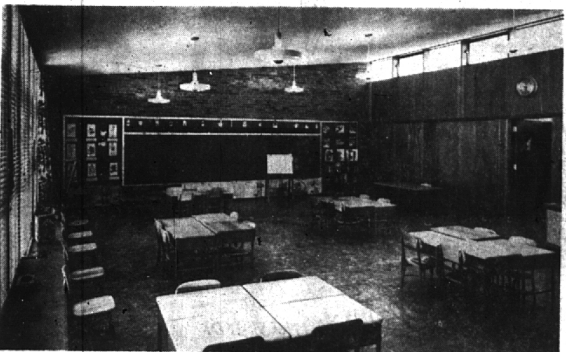
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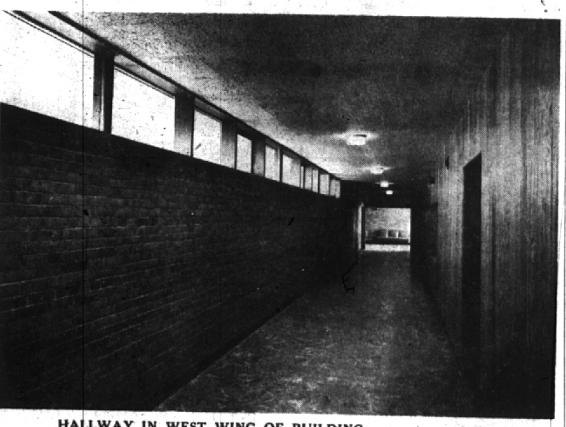
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Site is bounded by Torrey, Lincoln, Eton and Humphrey streets.



MAIN ENTRANCE OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
Outside and inner doors open onto spacious lobby.



FIRST GRADE CLASSROOM  
Bilateral lighting provided by windows on both sides.



HALLWAY IN WEST WING OF BUILDING  
Corridor has classrooms on only one side. (Dick Shirk Photos)

## Newly Completed Torrey Elementary School Open to Visitors Monday Night, Feb. 26

Local residents will get their first real chance to view the new Torrey elementary school building, Monday evening, Feb. 26. Containing 13 classrooms, the school is now complete with only the outside landscaping to be done.

This open house is in connection with the annual PTA council meeting that evening and is open to the public.

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## Roll Call At \$15,800 Mark Opening Day

Map House-to-House Coverage; Realtors Work Business Area

Community House Roll Call contributions passed the half-way mark Wednesday as \$15,800 was reported already received by Charles N. Blunt, drive chairman. Goal is \$30,000.

On Monday, opening day of the drive, 41 section captains in Franklin, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Village, Beverly Hills and Birmingham entertained 450 solicitors at coffee meetings in their homes.

FRED C. FEW, in charge of donations from business establishments, announced these solicitations were being handled by members of the Birmingham Real Estate board.

J. M. Dupuis, USN, Dies After Highway Mishap in Virginia

Joseph Martin Dupuis, 47, USN, died at Norfolk, Va., Feb. 16, from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Weight Restriction Law Mapped for City

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Wounded in Korea, Local Soldier Home

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## U.S. Leaders Aware of War Possibility, Says Washington News Man

Blair Moody Says National Strength Low Panel Shows Vital Need of Firm Stand On Foreign Policies

"The leaders of our government realize we face the most critical period in our history and we cannot afford to make a mistake in judgment," declared Blair Moody, Washington correspondent for the Detroit News, at the Community Council Institute panel discussion Feb. 18.

Prof. Alfred H. Kelly, president of the Foreign Policy Association and staff member of Wayne University, said that the policy of our national leaders to "obscure it there are at least four points on which 80 per cent of our national leaders agree."

"THEY ALL see Russia as a menace to a free world," he said. "They also agree this country must be directed to block Russian aggression through the United Nations, our practice of containment and assisting in the support of Europe."

CONCERNING the political future of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Kelly stated that he did not feel "General" would need to seek refuge in the Democratic party.

More to Peace Than Containing Russia, Pastor Declares

The world must seek "creative solutions" to the people's problems if it is to achieve real peace and brotherhood, Rev. Raymond Becker, pastor of the First Methodist church, said in his address to the Community Council Institute on the subject, "The Great Debate on the Future—What Is Your Stakes in It?"

"The committee which planned the Community Council Institute deserves the highest praise. The Institute made a great contribution to Birmingham. Many issues were clarified," he said.

"UNFORTUNATELY, however, this contributes little to the ultimate problem of world peace. It is sad that for implementing this in the limit of the agreement, the 'floor of agreement' must include the nomination of a trustee necessary for a just and durable peace. It must also include a program for implementing these principles. This means that we must preserve full democracy during long periods of crisis."

"We must seek creative solutions to the problems of the world's people. We must mature way to express our fellowship. We must avoid impetuosity and impatience in how to practice democracy on a world scale."

## Large Field Assured As Seven File for City Commissioner

With only two days remaining for filing nominating petitions, Birmingham is assured one of the largest annual city election fields in its history.

Seven definite and two probable candidates for the office of city commissioner are listed.

Building Decline Foreseen in 1951 Proposed Budget

Examination of the tentative 1951 budget presented to the city commission last week by City Manager Donald C. Egbert, reveals among other things an allowance for a decrease in building in Birmingham.

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First Hearing On Master Plan

First public hearing to consider the adoption of the proposed Birmingham master plan will be held at 8 p.m. Feb. 22 in the city commission room of the municipal building.

Heavy Turnout in Primary Elections; Frame Is Defeated

A heavy turnout featured primary elections in this area Monday as more than 3200 persons voted to the polls in Southfield township and 1038 voted in Troy township.