

No More Motors on Quarton Lake

To arms, residents of Birmingham!
The sanctity of our peaceful community is threatened by the outrageous roar of motorboats on Quarton Lake!
Two Sundays ago, Albert Riebling, 875 Vinewood, has dutifully reported to our city commission, some individuals brought in a boat, complete with out-

board motor, and proceeded to shatter the Sunday quiet of neighborhood residents.
We hope the city fathers are quick to stamp out such occurrences in the future, whether under existing ordinances or a special "motor boat ordinance".

From Our Point of View

Beef price controls, on the hoof, are resulting in fewer and fewer cattle being offered for slaughter and cutting up for the market. On the other hoof, though, there is no decline in the political bologna offered via the Truman administration's political counters.

Strange, indeed, is the inability of Britain and Iran to pour oil over their troubled waters— with so much oil available in that Near East country, too.

There is a burglar alarm attached to the Congressional Atomic Energy Commission's secret documents room in Washington, D.C. The other day the alarm went off, and Capitol police locked all exits from the building while they investigated. The alarm was accidental. (Golly, wouldn't it be nice if Congress placed alarms all over governmental offices so that when things are stolen, bells would ring!— and, Boy! would those bells keep ringing.)

The former King and Queen of Yugoslavia, now living in exile in New York City, have been hided by a public relations firm there. The King will be used in relation with the advertising of certain commodities, while the Queen will design ladies' clothing, so says the report. In the meantime, of course, Tito continues to hold sway in Yugoslavia.

A majority of Saginaw voters last week approved a proposal to levy a one per cent local income tax and a one per cent profits tax on business. It will be tested in the courts. However, it reveals the drift toward tax devices screwier and screwier in nature. Truly, there is no scientific basis to methods of taxation. It's a case of gettin' wherever the gettin' is possible.

So They Say . . .

Benjamin F. Farber, Presbyterian preacher:
"Something has happened to our ideas of right and wrong in private and public life."

Harold W. Dodds, president, Princeton University:
"The sure way to provoke World War III is to leave Europe open to easy conquest by the Kremlin."

Report, Senate Crime Investigating Committee:
"Gambling profits are the principal support of big-time racketeering and gangsterism."

George C. Marshall, Secretary of Defense:
"Our objective in Korea continues to be the defeat of the aggression and the restoration of peace."

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ONE THING OR ANOTHER By George Wm. Averill

A FOLLOW-UP IS NEEDED

For several years now, students at Baldwin high school have devoted one day each early spring to "Careers Day." Doctors, lawyers, advertising men, retailers, and representatives of many other fields of business activity talk to groups of students who have signed an interest in one or more of these specialties.
The idea is to enable these students to obtain some inkling of an occupation the boy or girl feels he or she might be interested in.
This year 19 girls, after listening to comments on child care and its application to teaching, decided they want to experience the situation themselves under the

guidance of local elementary school teachers.
SCHOOL OFFICIALS were eager to cooperate, and permitted these girls to have a classroom experience for a day.
The girls liked it so well they recommended that the high school have a regular child study course. School authorities now are trying to figure out such a course for the next school year.
It occurs to me that this "classroom experience" method could be applied to those fields other than child study. It does not mean courses should be set up, for that is well high impossible.

Small Paring Knife



Happenings of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric— The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today

50 YEARS AGO

May 31, 1901
Owing to the cold and disagreeable weather Saturday evening there was no dance at Electric Park.

The place of holding the cake sale for the Improvement Society will be on the lawn in front of F. W. Sherman's if the weather permits. If not in the entrance hall to the Ladies' Library.

Frank Park and family of Newberry, U. P. are visiting relatives in this vicinity. They will remain about two weeks. Frank reports everything is lovely in their neck of the woods.

Mrs. Matthew McBride was severely poisoned with poison ivy one day last week but is better at present. The good lady mistook the plant for woodbine and thought nothing of working in it until its effects became very apparent.

D. S. Fox of Flint, an aged pioneer is dead. At one time in the early history of Birmingham Mr. Fox was associated in business with O. Poppleton of our place and later moved to Flint where he became quite wealthy in the lumber business.

20 YEARS AGO

June 4, 1931
Six building permits for local construction work were issued by the building inspector last month, totaling \$21,400. Donald C. Egbert, inspector, said five were for private garages with one residence.

The new dog ordinance has been framed and will be presented for voters' approval later. At present the ordinance calls for proper control of pets at all times, licensing and immunization against rabies.

The assessment rolls for the year are closed. Valuation has been estimated at \$23,600,000.

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE
BY ALICE E. MORGAN

FUTURE DRIVERS

Birmingham's bicycle court is again in session. Discontinued through the winter months, the court resumes its weekly activities each spring, stressing the importance of careful and considerate manipulation of vehicles on the city's streets.

Presiding judges, complaining officers and court clerks are selected from among the school children. This year will see a group of these youngsters rotating their jobs and operating under a setup which will have a complete court staff available all summer.

Before them will come their fellow students and playmates who have been charged with violation of safe riding. They will hear the cases and decide upon the punishment to be meted out.

THESE SENTENCES usually have the violator learn a certain set of rules or write an essay on safety. In severe cases, he or she may be "grounded" for a certain period of time.

Children are "arrested" for careless riding, over-loading, reckless riding or the show-off type which is a menace to every auto highway. Ignoring traffic controls, cutting in and out of traffic or riding on sidewalks in sections where pedestrian traffic is exceptionally heavy.

The law which control their parents while driving, control the youngsters while riding their bikes.

ADULT OFFICERS, and advisors attending the trials officials, are frequently amazed at the serious attitude the youngsters have toward their court. They are proud and anxious to be serious and firmness with which the judge deals with all cases.

As we are so frequently tolled by the comments these small fry make about the way the family car is handled, Pedestrians are commented on

nearly a million dollars below the last year's estimate.

Paving bids in Bloomfield Hills have been approved and work will be started soon. The Lone Pine bid was for \$40,375 and \$2,260 for the taxin improvements.

Monday was the busiest day in the history of Baldwin public library morning in the downtown area. Canceled because of rain last week, the drive in stage was issued to patrons. Mrs. Nancy Thomas, librarian, said the two-day weekend closing of the library was probably responsible.

5 YEARS AGO

Birmingham Girl Scouts will hold their annual Penny Drive Saturday morning in the downtown area. Canceled because of rain last week, the drive is staged to raise funds for St. Anne's and activities for the coming year.

Earl S. Haxall has been appointed the first attorney for the City of Birmingham, Haxall, who has been serving as justice of the peace, resigns in order to perform his new duties adequately.

The widening of Maple and Pierce won commission approval Monday evening, in spite of objections offered by property owners. Taxpayers said they did not feel they should stand this assessment expense but were voted down because of the city-wide need for a better traffic flow on these streets.

H. L. Anderson, 1725 West Lincoln, this week reported to police that three men had been seen in the fields around the section, shooting pheasants. Police also received a report of someone firing a gun in the vicinity of the playground near Ruffer.

Stray dogs keeping the dog catcher busy these days. Police report several dogs are lost every year. Valuation has been estimated at \$23,600,000.

Fines Schedule Must Have Commission OK To Become Effective

Proposed changes in the Birmingham schedule of traffic fines has been turned over to the city manager Donald C. Egbert for presentation to the city commission.
Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley said Friday that the recommendations made by his department and Judge John Gaffill would have to have commission sanction before becoming official.
He added that he was trying to arrange a meeting of traffic department heads in surrounding communities.
"Several of us are having difficulties arranging fines schedules and I feel we could reach a greater uniformity if we could have a discussion of our department problems," he said.

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Earl Irish, 2476 Windemere, has asked the city commission why the letting of the contract for asphalt surfacing on his street has been delayed so long.
He pointed out that the city has had the money for the assessment since last year. Irish also asked whether something could be done about dust control on the street.
City Manager Donald C. Egbert said the paving project is now being advanced. City Engineer L. R. Aye stated that dust control work will be started on the street in the near future.
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