

# Cranbrook Foundation

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# The Birmingham Eccentric

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larger section added. The school now includes a junior and senior kindergarten and the first six elementary grades.

Christ Church, first conceived when the meeting house became inadequate for the community's growing religious activities, was actually created in 1925, though the present structure was not completed until 1929.

**DR. SAMUEL S. MARQUIS**, longtime dean of St. Paul's Cathedral and rector of St. Joseph's Church in Detroit, served as advisor to the donors before the church was instituted and was its rector from 1925 until his retirement in 1939.

Cranbrook school, also 25 years old, was founded as a school for boys in 1926 and opened Sept. 19, 1927. Its buildings were the first major architectural achievement of Eliel Saarinen in America.

A curriculum including grades 7-12, with an optional year of post-graduate study, is designed to give preparation for a liberal arts, technical school or business school.

Cranbrook Academy of Art grew gradually over a 20-year period before being formally organized in 1942 and chartered by the State of Michigan as an institution of higher learning, with the privilege of granting fine arts degrees.

**AN ART COMMUNITY** developed at Cranbrook in the 1920's

as world-famous artists were invited to design and embellish the buildings of the various institutions.

Cranbrook Institute of Science, now the second largest natural history museum in Michigan, was established in 1930 as a laboratory for original research.

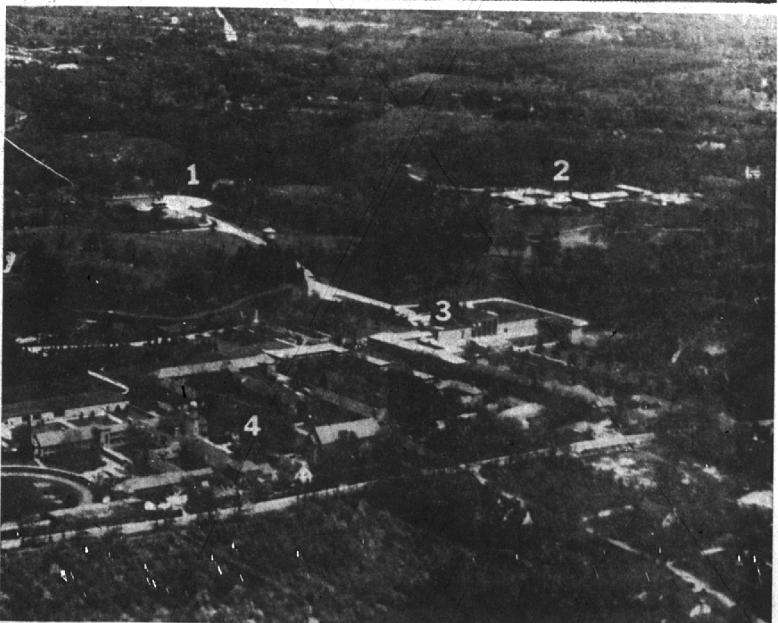
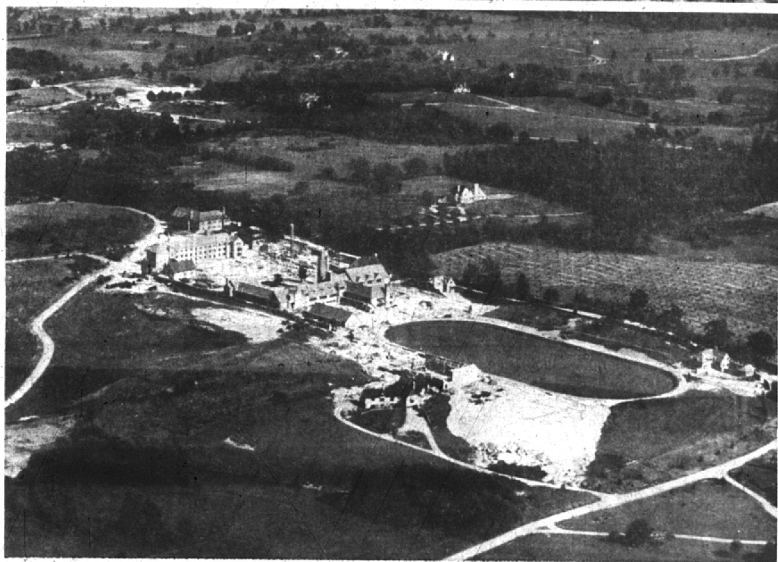
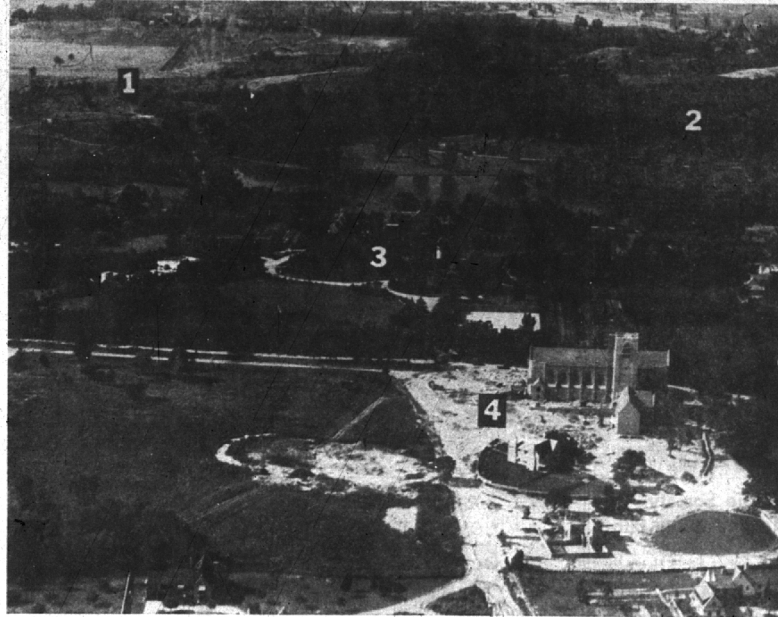
While serving as a close neighbor to the several schools at Cranbrook, the Institute has arranged its study groups, observatory demonstrations, lectures, motion pictures and field trips to attract participants from Southeastern Michigan and neighboring states.

The Institute museum houses a library, auditorium, meeting room, laboratories and offices, as well as exhibition areas.

**KINGSWOOD SCHOOL**, established in 1930 as a school for girls, offers a six-year course comprising junior high school and high school training for college entrance.

Additional to this scholastic curriculum is an arts program including drawing, painting, weaving and ceramics, as well as drama and song groups.

The name Cranbrook was given to the grounds by Mr. and Mrs. Booth almost 40 years ago. The name was taken from the Kentish village in England where Mr. Booth's father lived before coming to this country. The property is very similar to the countryside surrounding that ancient English town.



**UPPER RIGHT**—Christ Church Cranbrook (4), under construction prior to dedication in 1928, was one of the first units to be built at Cranbrook. Erected to fulfill the religious needs of the area, it stands along Lone Pine road in front of Cranbrook House (3), the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. George G. Booth. The Institute of Science site (1) and the site of Kingswood school (2) were soon to be developed to keep pace with the founders' dream.

**CENTER RIGHT**—Cranbrook school, opened in 1927, was designed by the famous architect, Eliel Saarinen. After the small gym (shown under construction in foreground) was finished, a second larger gym has been built to the right of the smaller one. Designed for 300 boys, the school was constructed at the same time as Christ Church Cranbrook.

**BOTTOM RIGHT**—Cranbrook as it looks today (Christ Church Cranbrook is to the far right and out of the photo). The Institute of Science (1), Kingswood school (2), Academy of Art (3), and Cranbrook school (4) round out the educational center of the Cranbrook Foundation. The 300-acre campus is cited as one of the most beautiful educational developments in the state.

**BELOW**—The late Mr. and Mrs. George G. Booth as they were pictured on their 60th wedding anniversary in their spacious Bloomfield Hills home. Both lived to see the Foundation complete its work of developing the network of educational institutions. To meet a community's need, the newspaper publishers built three schools, an art academy, science institute and a beautiful church.



### Civil War Group Plans Election

Further plans for the recently organized Civil War Round-Table were discussed at a committee meeting Thursday evening in the State bank building, Pontiac. Ernest Huthwaite was chairman of the meeting.

Since members voted to retain the identity of the original Lincoln group, the committee amended the name from the Starr Civil War Round-Table, selected at the September meeting, to the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round-Table of Michigan as the group's permanent name.

**A MEMBERSHIP** meeting will be held Nov. 19 at the Lincoln Courthouse in Greenfield Village. This date marks the 89th anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

William Springer, permanent chairman of the group, said an effort would be made to have Congressman George A. Dondero and Sen. Homer Ferguson address the dinner meeting.

Members will be asked to vote on a resolution to divide the organization into six study groups: Abraham Lincoln, Civil War, American presidents; American history; World's famous women and current events.

### Judges Receive United Foundation Contest Entries

Judging got underway this week on entries submitted from Cranbrook, Kingswood, Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham high schools in the United Foundation poster and editorial contest.

The poster contest, which ended Oct. 10, is being judged by Mrs. J. Robert F. Swanson, Bloomfield Hills architect; Marshall Frederick, Birmingham sculptor and Arthur Lougee, art director for the Ford Times.

Ending Oct. 13, editorial entries are in the hands of judges Rolfe C. Spinning, local resident who heads an advertising agency; W. Sprague Holden, chairman of the journalism department at Wayne university; and Alice E. Morgan history; World's famous women and current events.

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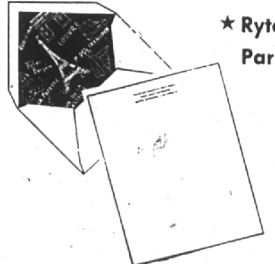
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