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AMONG THE FIRSTS TO CONGRATULATE The Eccentric on 75 years of publishing were territory officials of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. With their good wishes they brought a large three-tiered anniversary cake. Admiring the large cake, from left to right, are George R. Averill, publisher of The Eccentric; V. J. Raymond, in charge of A & P dairy sales; E. Poyner, territory supervisor; James Tuock, manager of A & P's Birmingham store; and Paul Neal Averill, business manager of The Eccentric. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

**Letters**  
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"I think the 75th Anniversary edition is a beautiful job of reporting."—LYMAN (Rocky) CRAIG, J.E. owner of Craig's Appliances, S. Woodward.

"I just stopped by to congratulate George (Averill) and all the rest of you on the anniversary issue. It's a big job and, I would say, a well done job. The whole thing looks nice, is impressive, and from my first casual examination, seems to have brought Birmingham's history right up to date."—Birmingham City Manager Donald C. Fisher

"Let me congratulate you on a very fine 75th anniversary edition. The special automotive section is certainly beautiful—I've never seen anything finer anywhere and don't believe anyone else has either."—ARTHUR LEE, regional manager of Consumers Power Co.

"I have lived in Birmingham all my life and want you folks at The Eccentric to know how much I value and appreciate the 75th Anniversary Edition. Many of the articles and pictures brought back old memories of Birmingham to me. Your staff must have worked long and hard to produce it. I am sure it will be a great addition to Birmingham National Bank."

"I have just finished looking through the 75th Anniversary Edition of The Birmingham Eccentric and take this opportunity to congratulate you and all the members of your staff on a job well done. The Birmingham area during the span of only 25 years has had a great wish for your continued success."—JOHN W. KNECHT, S. Woodward.

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"At the May 20 executive committee meeting of the Oakland County chapter, American Red Cross, the board unanimously agreed that the chapter wished to make special recognition of you for the success of your community in that you support its worthwhile undertakings and have built a strong and healthy community in that you support its strength."—R. U. SELL E. ELIOTT, Asst. General Secy., District of Public Relations, Detroit Metropolitan YMCA.

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"Congratulations to every member of The Birmingham Eccentric family for the grand job in your 75th Anniversary edition. It is complete in every detail and all the more wonderful when one considers all of the work, including the past reproductions add your most modern treatment of present day events, just done in your own shop. It shows The Birmingham Eccentric has grown with the area and must every challenge."—LLOYD C. MEGEE of the Consumers Power Co. division office, Pontiac.

"May I have the honor to offer you congratulations on your 75th Anniversary? I glanced through your anniversary issue with a great deal of pleasure. Indeed, I shall look forward to taking it home with me and doing a more thorough job at my leisure."—L. H. RENDER, Sales Promotion Department, Hiram Walker, Inc.

"It was a wonderfully interesting and valuable publication about Birmingham of yesterday and today. I want to congratulate The Eccentric for publishing this 75th Anniversary Edition. The material touching on the day of the long ago were, of course, most interesting."—MISS ETHEL J. BASSETT, 681 Lakeview.

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"It is a great pleasure to DeHILL TRAVIS, 1027 Frodo.

"It is a very nice issue and I up till 11 o'clock Thursday night reading it."—ANGELA L. DADSON, Franklin correspondence for The Eccentric.

"I cannot find words more worthy and more apt to describe the Birmingham Eccentric's 75th Anniversary Edition. It is the finest such magazine ever seen. I know that you will get state and national recognition because of it, and I hope you will publish such facts because, you see, I believe you readers feel themselves part of The Eccentric and they, too, want to be in the glorious and deserved praise that should come to your magazine."—LENORE G. ROWLAND QUINN, 514 Park.

"The 75th anniversary number of The Birmingham Eccentric is one of the finest examples of the printing and editorial craft that has ever come to my attention."—JOE HARRIS, Post Office Building, Birmingham Eccentric. He really an excellent job."—EDWARD H. ROTIMAN, 508 Linden.

"I am 12 years old and in the sixth grade at Adams school. I just want you to know what a nice paper the 75th anniversary edition is. I think the reason I liked it so much is that I've lived here all my life and so I know Birmingham pretty well. I liked the old pictures and the articles in Cranbrook about the best. 'Best luck on The Birmingham Eccentric for the coming year.'—This was a self-typed letter from PATTY CRAWFORD, 1188 Villa road.

"You and your associates should feel very proud of that magnificent 75th Anniversary edition you have just turned out. We who reside in Michigan are proud to know that such an organization as yours adds so much to the prestige of our great superstate."—EVAN L. ELLIS, publisher-director, Crowley, Miller and Co.

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