There is a wide difference between fear and concern; when you are fearful you spawn many barriers to overcoming it—while to be concerned only about a situation allows the mind to rationalize itself toward solutions. Fear breeds the disaster of self-pity.

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See Possibility of 2 Fire Stations for $225,000

THIS and THAT

By G.R.A.

HERE IS READING FOR YOUR OWN CHILDREN

Most parents are very much concerned about the proper early development of their children. They wish to give them every possible advantage to obtain an education, to surround them with an environment that is conducive to the shaping of good character.

In brief, they desire that their offspring learn to adjust themselves to those varied demands that adulthood makes upon all human beings.

More than two centuries ago, Lord Chesterfield of England was equally concerned about the development of his son. Chesterfield wrote many wonderfully helpful letters, one of which I am here reprinting, just in case you wish to read it yourself, and then pass it on to your own offspring.

Indeed, it is worth reading again and again. . . Here it is:

London, December 11, O.S. 1747

Dear Boy:

There is nothing which I more wish that you should know, and which fewer people do know, than the true use and value of Time. It is in everybody's mouth, but in few people's practice.

Every fool who slatterns away his whole time in nothings, utters, however, some trite commonplace sentence, of which there are millions, to prove at once the value and the fleetness of time.

The sun-dials, likewise, all over Europe, have some ingenious inscription to that effect; so that nobody squanders away their time without hearing and seeing, daily, how necessary it is to employ it well, and how irrecoverable it is if lost . . .

I DO NOT, therefore, mean to give you a critical essay upon the use and abuse of time, I will only give you some hints with regard to the use of one particular period of that long time which I hope you have before you; I mean the next two years.

Remember, then, that whatever knowledge you do not solidly lay the foundation of before you are eighteen, you will never be master of while you breathe.

KNOWLEDGE is a comfortable and necessary retreat and shelter for us in an advanced age; and if we do not plant it while young, it will give us no shade when we grow old.

I neither require nor expect from you great application to books after you are once thrown out into the great world. I know it is impossible; and it may even, in some cases, be improper: this, therefore, is your time, and your only time, for unwearied and uninterrupted application.

If you should sometimes think it a little laborious, consider that labour is the unavoidable fatigue of a necessary journey. The more hours a day you travel, the sooner you will be at your journey's end.

The sooner you are qualified for your liberty, the sooner you shall have it; and your manumission will entirely depend upon the manner in which you employ the intermediate time.

I think I offer you a very good bargain, when I promise you, upon my word, that, if you will do every thing that I would have you do till you are eighteen, I will do every thing that you would have me do ever afterwards.

I KNEW A gentleman, who was so good a manager of his time, that he would not even lose that small portion of it which the calls of nature obliged him to pass in the necessary-house, but gradually went through all the Latin poets in those moments.

He bought, for example, a common edition of Horace, of which he tore off gradually a couple of pages, carried them with him to that necessary place, read them first, and then sent them down as a sacrifice to Cloacina: This was so much time fairly gained; and I recommend to you to follow his example.

It is better than only doing what you cannot help doing at those moments; and it will make any book which you shall read in that manner, very present to your mind. . .

Chesterfield

Police Put Ice On Sunday Swim

A door standing ajar at Barnum school proved to be too much of a temptation for four Birmingham juveniles Sunday afternoon.

The quartet, two boys and two girls all under 16 years old, spotted the open door early in the afternoon, and evidently thinking it a good chance for a late fall swim, they went home to get their bathing suits.

Returning at sundown, they had no more than dived into Barnum's pool when Birmingham police, tipped off by neighboring residents, arrived on the scene.

The youngsters were released to their parents, but Saturday, will pay a visit to Lt. Henry Timm, of the juvenile division, according to Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley.

Bloomfield School Expansion Approved

3rd Time Sees It Pass, 2-1

By a margin of more than two to one, voters of the Bloomfield Hills school district approved a $1,750,000 bond issue at an election held Monday.

The bond proposal was accepted by a vote of 854 to 333, and an accompanying measure to increase the district's millage rate by 8 mills for 5 years and 15 mills for 10 years thereafter to retire the bonds was accepted by about the same margin, according to officials.

Approval of the proposals paves the way for a school expansion program that includes building a new 22-room high school and a five-room addition to Wing Lake elementary school.

OFFICIALS expressed some surprize that the margin of victory for the proposal was as large as it was. Two other school expansion programs had been turned down within the last year.

A $245,000 proposal to expand Wing Lake school was defeated by five votes in Nov. 1952 and in March 1953 a $1,290,000 program for a high school and Wing Lake addition was killed by a slim margin of 14 votes.

School Board President Edward Proctor stated after the final ballot was counted, "The board of education and the school administration are gratified with the decision of the electors to proceed with the school building program.

"IT WOULD have been unthinkable for an enlightened and civic-minded community such as ours to deny its responsibility for adequate public education.

"With the authority now granted, the board will proceed forthwith to bring to reality the recommended building plans. The board is a greatly pleased to have this evidence of confidence in its judgment and integrity as expressed by such a conclusive majority.

"The board and school administration will carry out the program with intelligence and economy."

Proctor also said that within a month the board hopes to have the bonds up for sale. Architects will be instructed to go ahead immediately on drafting final plans for both building projects, Proctor added.

HE STATED that with a successful sale of the bonds, construction on the Wing Lake project should be underway yet in January. This building is expected to be in use in September 1954.

Plans for the high school are not expected to be ready for letting of contracts until the first of March, according to Proctor.

Passage of the bond issue was accomplished in the face of opposition of Board Trustee Mrs. Rita MacKenzie. In a public statement last week, Mrs. MacKenzie stated that her opposition was based on what she termed the board's failure to come up with a sound elementary education program.

SHE HAD URGED the defeat of the issue and suggested a proposal to dissolve the district.

According to Superintendent of Schools Eugene L. Johnson, passage of the bond issue will make it unlikely for any part of the district to withdraw because of the legal and economic considerations now involved.

He stated that in his opinion there was never any legal grounds for dissolution of the district.

Maples, Acorns Ready for Clash

By MIKE GROVES

An old rivalry will be renewed at 11 o'clock Thanksgiving morning on Cass field in Royal Oak when the Maples and the Oaks meet in the annual battle for the "little brown jug".

Thus far this year the Oaks have compiled a record of seven wins to one loss, beating Hazel Park 14-0, Wyandotte 32-0, Monroe 19-7, Fordson 19-7, Pontiac 21-7, Ferndale 35-0, and Highland Park 67-0 with Jack Drawbaugh scoring five touchdowns and Dick Nash three. Nash kicked seven out of ten extra points.

The Oaks' only loss of the season was to highly rated Grosse Pointe 19-0.

Royal Oak uses the T formation and the single wing with the line unbalanced, doing most of the running from the spinning fullback position with Nash carrying most of the load.

The Acorns' line is both big and fast. Joe Moyer, inside guard, is a terrific blocker and will lead most of the interference.

MAPLE COACH Vincent Secontine commented, "We are very pleased with our offensive play of the squad on the whole, and we feel that for the first time this squad showed signs of positive progress. At the same time, considering our opponent for Thanksgiving morning, we find ourselves in the very undesirable position of meeting a very strong Border-City championship squad. Royal Oak has scored more points in one ball game than we have all season. But we will make an appearance Thanksgiving morning."

On the other hand, Royal Oak Coach Joseph Manila said, "My coaching staff has watched Birmingham improve in the last three games and we are anticipating a good game."

WINDING UP their high school football days at Birmingham Thanksgiving morning are Captain Jerry Beck, Jerry Wedge, Dick Thalacker, Payson Chapman, Dave Hamil, Howard Blake, Chris Christie, John Sloane and Bill Hohmeyer.

Probable starting line ups are:

Birmingham		Royal Oak
Chris Christie	RE	H. Andreasen
Jerry Beck	RT	Bill Bradford
Howard Blake	RG	Joe Moyer
Bill Hohmeyer	C	S. Remley
John Sloane	LG	Fred Koenig
Dick Thalacker	LT	Tom Carle
Bill Watkinson	LE	Bob Kelley
Jerry Wedge	QB	Dick Ulrich
Dave Allen	LH	J. Drawb'gh
Pay'n Chapm'n	RH	Frank Finney
Tom Beck	FB	Dick Nash

The Royal Oak — Birmingham series originated in 1898 and is the longest continuous rivalry in the state.

Churches Unite In Thanksgiving

Traditional union services for several Birmingham churches, plus individual programs for other groups, will mark the observance of Thanksgiving in this community.

Sponsored by the Birmingham Council of Churches, the union service will be held in the First Presbyterial church, North Woodward, at 9 a.m.

Individual programs will be held by Church of the Ascension, Redeemer and Our Shepherd, Lutheran churches, and the First Church of Christ, Scientist.

The Rev. John Rose, pastor of Townsite Community church, Congregational, will preach on "Putting You into Remembrance". Pastor of the host church, the Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph.D., will preside.

Under the direction of Robert Slusser, the Sanctuary choir will sing, "Behold New Praise the Lord."

CONGREGATIONS of St. James Episcopal, Townsite Community, First Baptist, Embury Methodist, First Methodist, Franklin Community, Christ Church Cranbrook, Episcopal, Kirk-in-the-Hills Presbyterian, Congregational Church of Birmingham and the host church will participate at this service.

AT THE CHRISTIAN Science church, duplicate services will be held at 9:45 and 11:30 a.m. Following the usual order of service, a period will be observed when members of the congregation may express their gratitude for the things they have received during the year.

The text is from Revelations 7:12, "Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever."

At Our Shepherd Lutheran, the Rev. H. G. Allwardt will speak on "Give Thanks", taking his text from the ninth chapter of II Corinthians, verses 9 through 11. The choir will sing "Our Hymn of Grateful Praise."

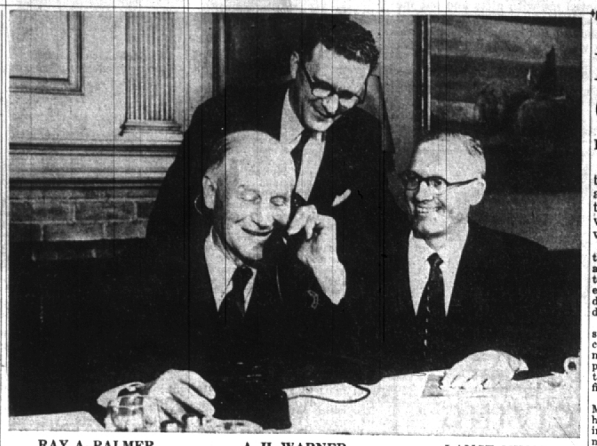
"CHRISTIAN STEWARDS", II Corinthians 9, verses 6-11, is the sermon and text selected by the Rev. Paul Shippert at Church of the Ascension.

At Redeemer Lutheran, the service will be at 9 a.m., with the Rev. Theodore Wuggazer speaking on "The Wheel of God's Providence."

"Praise, Oh Praise, Our God and King," will be sung by the senior choir. They will be joined by the boys' and girls' choirs in singing "For the Beauty of the Earth".

All makes of inner spring mattresses repaired. ROYAL MATTRESS COMPANY. Dial "O" and ask for ENterprise 6319.

ST. COLUMBA, new Catholic parish in southeast Birmingham, marked the first step toward its own "home" Sunday morning when ground was broken on the 14 Mile road site of the new church. The Rev. Thomas Kenney, named to the parish at its formation last June, turned the first shovel of earth as members of his parish and clergy from other area churches looked on. With the coming of cold weather, no tentative date has been set for occupancy. Services are to continue in Upton school. (Eccentric Staff Proto)



RAY A. PALMER A. H. WARNER LANCE MINOR

Threesome which made telephone history Friday afternoon.

B'ham Now Has Toll Dialing

Officially launched at an informal ceremony last Friday afternoon, Birmingham's coast to coast long-distance telephone dialing plan is now in full operation.

Taking part in the ceremony marking the event were local civic and business leaders and officials of the Michigan Bell Telephone company.

First call over the new system was placed by Mayor pro tem Lance C. Minor, who called John A. Palmer, former resident of Birmingham and now a resident of Pittsburgh. Also present at the event was Ray A. Palmer, long-time resident of the local community and the father of John.

Albert H. Warner, manager here for Michigan Bell, served as master of ceremonies at the inaugural event and officially dedicated the new system to the people of the city of Birmingham.

IN ACKNOWLEDGING Warner's remarks, Mayor pro tem Minor complimented Michigan Bell upon its "forward-looking policies."

"The City of Birmingham is proud and happy to have a part in this celebration," Minor said.

"We welcome the official introduction and full operation of your 'Electronic Brainchild'. Its mysterious mechanism is a wonder to behold.

"We want to thank you for Birmingham's selection as the proper location for its installation. May the successful accomplishment of your aims be a foregone conclusion.

"MAY I ADD a word of appreciation, too, for the many other constructive contributions made by Michigan Bell to the city of Birmingham—namely your employees who have selected this community as their home.

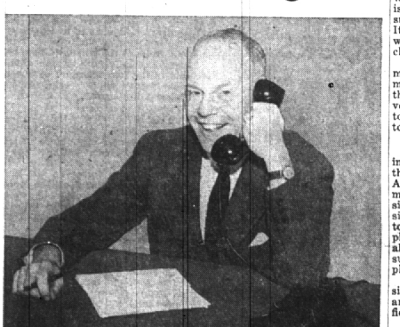
"All of them actively participate in the affairs of our town, helping to promote the general welfare of us all. They are folks of the highest character and capacity and Birmingham is a richer place to live because of their presence."

The Honorable John M. Veale, member of the Michigan Public Service Commission, also attended the inaugural ceremony and termed the long-distance dialing plan "another very significant milestone in the rapid development of the telephone."

Birmingham is the first community in the nation to be tied in (on a commercial basis) with the Bell System's nationwide toll dialing network. The first test installation was made at Englewood, New Jersey, about two years ago.

Under the new plan, Birmingham telephone users are able to dial direct to any one of 13,000,000 telephones in 14 metropolitan areas across the country.

A special booklet distributed by Michigan Bell to all local subscribers lists the communities throughout the nation that can be dialed direct and also carries full instructions on how to place the calls.



JOHN A. PALMER TALKS WITH HIS DAD

B'ham to Pittsburgh call took 10 seconds to dial

Police on Lookout For Revolver Thief

Birmingham police detectives are looking for the person or persons who stole a 38 calibre revolver from the McBride hardware, 154 S. Woodward, sometime Saturday.

Store officials reported that the gun was a Colt Cobra with serial No. 19241.

Specially Delivered To U. S. Postmaster

Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield, who directs the handling of mail for the whole nation, got a package of mail himself Monday—and it was special delivery, too.

Four sixth and seventh graders from Annie Lathrup school, Southfield Township, delivered the mail —72 letters written by their classmates in recognition of the nation's mailmen's effort to aid in the fund raising campaign to combat muscular dystrophy.

The letters were delivered to Summerfield at his suite in the Sheraton-Cadillac where the Postmaster General is staying while taking part in the drive.

THE CHILDREN wrote the letters after they learned that postmen all over the nation were planning to make a special trip around their beats to receive money to aid victims of the disease.

The mailmen are trying to raise $5,000,000 for the cause.

The school children were so impressed that they decided to write to Summerfield on behalf of all mailmen.

Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, local chairman of the Muscular Dystrophy association, was going to send the letters to Summerfield in Washington.

When it was learned he was to be in Detroit Monday, the students said they would like to deliver the letters in person.

REPRESENTATIVES of the classes were chosen and Mrs. Carnegie escorted the group downtown. Summerfield read the letters and chatted with the children for two hours, according to Mrs. Carnegie.

The children chosen to represent the classes were sixth graders Mary Lou Hine, 27610 E. California drive, and Nancy Carnegie, 18805 Glenwood; and seventh graders Harold Haeger, 28770 Ranchwood, and Bob Rose, 27560 E. California. All are of Lathrup Village.

Films of the presentation were taken by metropolitan newspapers to be shown Monday night on television.

Tentative Designs Ordered

By GEORGE WM. AVERILL

Voters at April's city election may find themselves asked to approve a $200,000 to $225,000 bond issue to provide both an east side and west side fire station.

This possibility became evident this week as city commissioners approved a fire advisory committee request for the hiring of an engineer to prepare preliminary designs and cost estimates for additional firefighting facilities.

Headed by former city commissioner John S. O'Gorman, Jr., the committee has been working almost a year on a report which will propose certain additional fire protection measures, including new fire stations.

City Manager D. C. Egbert Monday night told commissioners he expects the committee's preliminary plans and designs to be submitted within the next few weeks.

HE SAID the committee has been investigating the construction of two recent fire stations in Royal Oak and Ferndale, which were erected at a cost of about $80,000 each.

"Royal Oak's main station, which cost approximately $275,000, is a very large one and houses a substantial quantity of equipment. It is larger than Birmingham would need," the manager declared.

"Considering all of this information, it would appear that Birmingham should be able to secure the two stations which are involved in the ultimate plan at a total cost of not to exceed $200,000 to $225,000," he said.

COMMISSIONERS will be working on a pretty tight timetable if the bond issue is submitted at the April election. The exact proposal must be approved by the commission on or before Feb. 1. Commissioners hope to have several weeks to study the preliminary plans, plus some additional time available if certain changes should be suggested in the final designs and plans.

The city has two fire station sites, one at the corner of Bowers and Adams, the other at Chesterfield and W. Maple.

In a $350,000 bond proposal defeated by a slim margin at the April, 1952 city election, it was proposed to erect the Adams-Bowers station first.

SINCE THAT time, the city has decided to repave W. Maple between Glenhurst and Linden during 1955. It has been suggested that the west side station now come first in order to have fire equipment on the west side when the main artery to that area from the central station is closed off for an indefinite period during the road widening.

If the two stations can be built for slightly over $200,000, as compared to the $350,000 proposed almost two years ago, some city officials believe the two fire stations may be erected almost at the same time.

Commissioners plan to abandon the central station in the municipal building when both the east and west fire stations are in use.

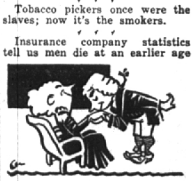
STRICTLY FRESH

The 1953 election results seem to indicate that in many districts the Republicans were lulled to sleep by the "Donkey Serenade."

Miss Prague of 1946 said recently that Communist beauty judges are more interested in the number of bricks a girl can lay a day than in her pulchritude. In other words, they prefers what a girl can build to hers.

Tobacco pickers once were the slaves; now it's the smokers.

Insurance company statistics tell us men die at an earlier age



than women. Which proves chivalry is dead; otherwise the ladies would be going first.

This nation's government is grounded in the system of checks and balances; its citizens are floored trying to balance their checkbooks.

Order your LA-Z-BOY CHAIR and LUXURY ROCKER now for Christmas from the Royal Mattress and Upholstering factory, 22320 Woodward, Ferndale. Dial "O" and ask for Enterprise 6319. —Adv. (41)

Children's Letters to Santa Claus Start This Week on Page Two of Part Three