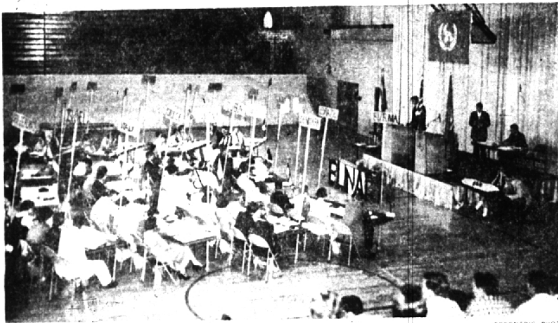


To say that "one becomes what he thinks" is to repeat an old and proven axiom. Does it not behoove one, then, to guard his thinking, so that it will be directed along lines that prey only for good and right results? Guiding one's thoughts is an hour-to-hour job!



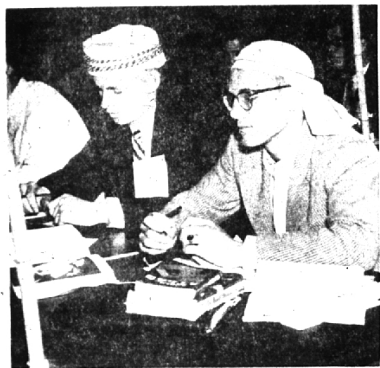
Going to Europe This Summer

TALKING OVER THEIR trips to Europe as American Field Service exchange students this summer are Sue Taylor (left) and Don Thalaeker (right), Birmingham high school students. With them is Mrs. Carol Darling, dean of students, (second from left) and Janet Palmer, senior in charge of AFS activities at the high school. The four were snapped at a meeting of Detroit area AFS committee members held last week at the high school. Attending were foreign exchange students spending the year with Detroit families on AFS scholarships.



BUNA Meeting

UN FLAGS decorated the room as the 46 participating nations' delegates sat at tables identified by signs on bamboo poles at Birmingham high school's United Nations assembly. Two rostrums were erected on the officials' stand, one for constant use by the assembly president, the other for delegates making speeches. Pages' stand is at right. At left are two delegates from Saudi Arabia, Cliff Waeschle (left), and Tim Schler. Third Saudi Arabian delegate was Pete Moray.



Exchange Mayor Visits Tractor Center

A FEATURE OF MAYOR'S EXCHANGE DAY in Birmingham last week was the visit by the L'Anse (Mich.) Village President to the farm machinery research and engineering center of Ford Motor company's tractor and implement division on Mayle road. Irving A. Duffy, Ford vice president and divisional

general manager (left), met with Village President A. Edward Moilanen and Mrs. Moilanen. Mrs. Florence Willett, member of the Birmingham City Commission, and Dana Whitman, Birmingham assistant city manager (at right) accompanied the Moilanens on their tour.

New Principal

DONALD A. MURRAY, 388 Tibbury, Birmingham, has been named principal of Detroit's Northern high school. Former assistant principal there, he succeeds the late James Cruikshank.



Sixth Grade Production

"CABBAGE PATCH MAGIC" was the name of the show, and propped behind a cabbage is the scarecrow, Ron Haskin. Jennie Gilliam is the fairy queen. The two were in the cast of last week's production presented by teacher Wilfred Hinz's sixth graders at Torry school. Both a school assembly and the Torry PTA enjoyed the show in which all 28 youngsters in the class participated.



Dancing With Dad

MOMS AND DADS joined in the fun at Holy Name school's seventh graders' dance last week. Judy Larkins is snapped here just after she asked her father, John, for a dance.



Founders Day Award

RECEIVING A posthumous Founders medal for her great-grandfather, Dr. Samuel S. Marquis, first rector of Christ Church Cranbrook, is Carolyn Lee Ballantyne, one year old. With Carolyn are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald W. Ballantyne, of Birwood, Beverly Hills. The presentation was made by Henry Scripps Booth, Carolyn's grandfather and son of the founders, during Founders day observances at Cranbrook.



He Set a Powerful Pace

BEHIND THE WHEEL of the most powerful car ever to pace the Indianapolis "500" was L. Irving Woolson, of 715 Glengarry, Bloomfield Village, president of DeSoto and pace driver for the 40th annual Memorial Day classic Wednesday. With him was Tony Hulman, Indianapolis speedway head, only other passenger allowed to take the traditional pace ride leading the racers into their flying start after once around the track.



if you're like me.

Says the Barrister
You're thankful the land you own is all yours, without fear of confiscation.
The days when "neighborhood was in flower" seem mighty glamorous on television or in the movies, but I want none of them. Right now, I'm not thinking of all the conveniences that make us physically more comfortable and healthy.
I'm thinking of the house and lot I own on a quiet street; the home that is all mine as long as I want to keep it, and can't be taken away by some enterprising duke who figures he'd like to have it for his own.
Sure, some government unit can, in some instances, take over your property for good reason, but not on a whim and not without paying the right price.

UNDER THE old feudal system in England (back when Robin Hood was making his name as a champion of the poor, for example—all land was owned by the crown, and certain lords and knights were merely granted the right of possession.
In our country today you own your land outright, and state or federal government no longer has ultimate title.
But your ownership of land is not absolute. It is still subject to what is known in legal terms as the "right of eminent domain."
THE STATE OR federal government, in some circumstances, may take "ownership" of certain essential public uses. If this right didn't exist it would be mighty hard to build highways or a sturgeon off the coast of Big Bay Straits of Mackinac Bridge.
Eminent domain laws require of the state that it give a property owner four and a half million for his particular parcel of land, dollars in gold bullion.

and the land must be put to some essential public use.
Even more important is the right of private ownership, these laws guarantee that the government must allow for fair compensation for your property, and pay for damages resulting to other land not actually occupied by the public project.

FOR EXAMPLE, courts have required payment of damages when a highway cuts through the middle of a farm, making it dangerous to drive livestock to pasture, even though the pasture is some distance from the actual right of way.
Under certain conditions, private corporations which serve the public—like telephone and power companies or other public utilities—may exercise the right to condemn property. The same conditions apply, however, with regard to public use and necessity, and adequate compensation.
Any time your property is condemned, following determination of necessity, you can go to court if you think you're being offered an unreasonably low price and then the compensation can be determined by a jury.

AS MUCH as you might hate to lose the old homestead, one landowner can't rightfully block progress and every effort is made to arrive at a just price.
That settles fair enough to me.

Baldwin Library Hosts Association Of Librarians

Baldwin public library was host last week to members of the third district of the Michigan Library association.
Over 100 attended the all-day meeting in the library auditorium. Chairman of the meeting was Alden Wilson, Berkeley librarian, with Mrs. Martin White, trustee of Detroit's MacGregor library, co-chairman.

A vessel whose name still is secret, built at the bottom of Lake Michigan off the coast of Big Bay Straits of Mackinac Bridge. Eminent domain laws require of the state that it give a property owner four and a half million for his particular parcel of land, dollars in gold bullion.

ELECTION NOTICE

ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a Special Election will be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on

- TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1956
from 7 o'clock to the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, at the places of holding the election in said city as indicated below, viz:
- Precinct 1—Chesterfield Fire Station, 1800 West Maple
 - Precinct 2—Holy Name School—Corner of Harmon and Greenwood
 - Precinct 3—Adams School—Corner Oakland and Worth
 - Precinct 4—Municipal Building—151 Martin Street
 - Precinct 5—Barnum School
 - Precinct 6—Adams Fire Station—572 S. Adams
 - Precinct 7—Central Trunk Station—245 Eton Road
 - Precinct 8—Birmingham High School—Corner West Lincoln and Cranbrook, Main Lobby Entrance from West Lincoln
 - Precinct 9—Pierce School
 - Precinct 10—Y.M.C.A.—400 East Lincoln
 - Precinct 11—Torry School—1608 E. Lincoln, Corner of Torry

to vote on the following propositions:

ANNEXATION PROPOSITION
SHALL THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TERRITORY, LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF TROY, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
Part of the S.W. 1/4 of Section 31, T. 2 N. R. 11 E., Troy Township, Oakland County, Michigan, described as follows:
Beginning at a point distant S. 0° 27' 20" E., 858.50 ft. along the west line of said Section 31 from the northwest corner of said Section 31;
thence east along the southerly line of Birmingham Villas Subdivision, a distance of 300.00 ft.;
thence S. 0° 27' 20" E., a distance of 250.00 ft.;
thence west along the northerly line of Bowers Avenue, a distance of 300.00 ft.;
thence N. 0° 27' 20" W., along the west line of said Section 31 a distance of 400.00 ft. to the point of beginning of this description; Said parcel containing approximately 1.72 acres, (Said property being known as the "Twining Property", so-called).
BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT NO. 279 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949 AS AMENDED?

ANNEXATION PROPOSITION
SHALL THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TERRITORY, LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF TROY, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
A parcel of property described as follows:
Commencing at the South 1/4 corner, Sec. 31, T. 2 N., R. 11 E., thence West, 525.53 feet, along the South line of said Section 31 to the point of beginning of this description; said point being located in the present boundary of the city of Birmingham where same intersects the said South line of Sec. 31;
thence along the present boundary of the City of Birmingham on the following courses: North a distance of 275.00 feet; West a distance of 250.24 feet; South a distance of 120.00 feet; West a distance of 234.84 feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way line of U.S. 10; South 45° 47' 40" W., 47.00 feet; South 3° 24' 40" E., 120.27 feet to a point on the South line of said Section 31 located at the point where the boundary line of the City of Birmingham actually intersects the said South line of Section 31; thence East, 605.91 feet to the point of beginning of this description, containing approximately 2.755 acres. (Known as "The Lambert & Socony Oil Properties").
BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT NO. 279 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1949 AS AMENDED?

IRENE E. HANLEY,
City Clerk