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If we should break out it will be because of the inherent wrong-thinking and doing that is made evident within and without national boundaries. Such a war will not heal the cause, as past and recent history so eloquently prove. Even a family is not secure unless its members love and respect one another.

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This and That

by George R. Averill

"Which way is business going?" is being asked by millions of Americans. "Toward stabilization—away from speculation," a new wave of numerous economists and observers of the nation's industrial trends. "What goes up must come down... at least part way," is today's adaptation of an old proverb.

It really is too bad that more of Hollywood's scintillating celebrities do not find more enduring bliss in their marital states. Living in a world of so much make-believe, perhaps they find it difficult to accept the bitter with the sweet... so many of 'em transform even their sweet into the bitter.

Football once again walks in, along with the colorful autumn. Stadiums will fill up with spectators, and the great facilities of great institutions of higher learning will continue to be frequented by the brilliance of football coaches.

In every square mile of land live as many inhabitants of the insect world as there are human beings on earth—about 2 1/2 billion. This new ought to increase sales for fly swatters and mosquito netting.

Here's a paradoxical situation: Scores of thousands of American taxpayers annually visit Europe and other nations that have benefited from U.S. foreign aid programs. A case of spending money to see... or has gone!

A good rule for all voting citizens to remember is this: Every politician is a politician, it is not to put ordinary food into it. Some politicians emit sounds that, later on, bear little resemblance to the performance.

We have a multitude of institutions which we call schools, but the real schools, where the real lessons of life are learned, are the homes of America. We hear a great deal about higher education, and the highest that can be had is found in the lofty lessons of self-control, self-discipline, faith, and a most marvelous power to teach. There is no training to be had in the world which can take the place of discipline in the home—(Baltimore Sun).

Lend an Ear To Madeleine Harris

In today's Eccentric, she writes her first column on the Detroit metropolitan music and theater worlds

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Teen Court's In Session

Judge Arthur E. Moore (far right) speaks to members of Birmingham's first teen-age traffic court as the session opened Tuesday. The Oakland county probate judge, who presides over the court, gave Birmingham police his hearty approval and cooperation on the new project, was a special guest at the first session. From left at table in front of courtroom are recorder Mary Roberts, bailiff Chris Hall, court clerk Pete Brink, and Sgt. Robert Schaule.

First Teen-Age Traffic Court Holds Successful Session Here

By JULIE CANDLER

This court's success depends on you, Oakland county Probate Judge Arthur E. Moore told members of Birmingham's first teen age traffic court Tuesday. And 21 Birmingham high school seniors came through with well-deliberated verdicts that marked Oakland county's first such court a success.

"I think it's a wonderful thing, and that they were very fair," remarked the first defendant after his court hearing. He and three other juvenile traffic offenders, each accompanied by a parent, appeared voluntarily before the new court inaugurated by the Birmingham police juvenile division.

ACTING AS COURT referee was police juvenile officer Sgt. Robert Schaule, who organized the court to increase teenage knowledge of good driving practices. Birmingham's exchange club is underwriting costs of the project. Tuesday's traffic violators were questioned by the serious teen jurors after Pete Brink, acting as court clerk, opened the session over which he presided. Court Bailiff Chris Hall escorted the defendants to a separate room in which they waited while the jury searched for the "fairest possible decision." Janet Hilschke, at court foreman, formulated the motions and took the jury's hand vote.

MARY ROBERTS WAS court

Runaway Youth Found 200 Miles From His Home

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—He was cold, hungry and a long, long way from home. And Brende, Ontario, is a long, long way from Bloomfield Hills, as 15-year-old James Landry now knows so well.

He ran away from his Canadian home, about 200 miles from here, last Thursday. His escape ended when Patrolman Donald Gravlin spotted him near Chatham and Woodward about 7 a.m. Monday.

AFTER A breakfast of ham eggs and potatoes and two cups of coffee, the runaway youth was taken to a separate room in which he waited while the jury searched for the "fairest possible decision."

He had left home "because nobody liked me anymore," he said. He had \$150 in his pocket when he left and paid his way across the Detroit river. He hiked his way from Detroit to Bloomfield Hills where he slept under a tree the night before officers found him.

One night was spent in a tree but built by children. HE HADN'T eaten for two days when officers found him and was clad only in light summer clothes.

Hills Police Capt. Walter Shuster said the youth "hooked for two hours" while warming up in the police station.

The youth, taken to the juvenile home in Pontiac, was picked up that evening by his father and the Bronte police chief.

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Gare Sees No Water Plant Here

Birmingham will be better off financially if it buys all its water from Detroit, rather than constructing water softening plant where Detroit water is mixed with hard Birmingham well water, City Manager L. R. Gare believes.

He disclosed this Monday night to city commissioners, saying a formal report will be submitted in less than 30 days.

"I feel we already have enough facts to indicate we will save money by buying all our water supply from Detroit, and not invest in a softening plant," he told the commission.

FOR SEVERAL years, commissioners and city officials have believed a softening plant might be built here, thus eliminating some mineral precipitation and odor resulting from mixing the two waters.

Estimated plant cost is several hundred thousands of dollars, and would be financed by a bond issue.

Gare said regular tests have been conducted on the water since Birmingham was connected to the South Oakland water authority system about a year ago.

COMMISSIONERS are holding up for a few more days a decision on a new water meter repair building in the municipal building basement, it is proposed to move it to the DPW yard on Eton road.

Gare said present quarters are cramped. The DPW addition would cost an estimated \$117,000, he said. The commission asked him to check over present space again to be sure there is no other way to obtain the needed space.

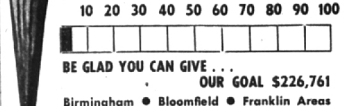
Sets Holiday Play

With a two-day school holiday today and tomorrow, many Birmingham area children will be theatergoers.

They will be entertained at morning and afternoon performances of "Greensleeves' Magic," a production of the Children's Theatre.

The performances will be at the Birmingham theatre at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Torch Drive-o-meter



Birmingham • Bloomfield • Franklin Areas

Volunteer workers fanned out over the Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin area this week in quest of \$226,761 as the 1957 Torch drive officially opened throughout metropolitan Detroit.

The initial progress report indicates that \$8,362 has been raised so far by residential workers. It represents four percent of the goal here.

By far the biggest group to lend their support to the annual campaign is the "residential" team, comprised of hundreds of housewives who are taking time out from their daily chores to canvass the residential areas and small businesses.

Teams of workers in the industry, government and school group are augmenting already completed preliminary work the follow up calls and explanatory visits to plants, city, state and federal offices and schools.

RESIDENTS of this area will be kept up to date on their Torch drive contributions with two bill-board-type signs. The Torch driveometer, which will record all area contributions as the campaign progresses toward the Nov. 7 deadline.

Southbound motorists will be exposed to one of the colorful signs at the junction of Woodward and Hunter boulevard. Those driving north may check on the campaign's progress by another Torch driveometer at the community of Birmingham.

Hundreds of Birmingham area young people will be doing something for somebody else on "trick or treat" night this year.

Instead of treats, they will ask for funds for UNICEF as they make their door-to-door rounds. The community-wide project, sponsored by the Birmingham Council of Churches, with the assistance of the United Church Women of Birmingham, UNICEF stands for United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

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Herzberg To Outline Changes

The public will get a solid briefing on the contents of Birmingham's proposed new zoning ordinance at a special session next Wednesday night at Birmingham Community house.

At 8 p.m. in the main auditorium, City Planner Herbert Herzberg will outline the proposed ordinance. At the same time he will display maps revealing the city's zoning plan as proposed under the measure.

Among the most important of the changes in the new ordinance is the dividing of residential property zones into three instead of the present one classification.

OTHER RECOMMENDED changes include the creation of two multiple family residence zones, replacing the one now existing; zoning of public property to the classification of property it owns, and inclusion of the entire off-street parking ordinance in the new zone law.

Recreation of new ordinance was recommended to Birmingham city commissioners by the city planning board after more than two years of study.

City commissioners will hold the first formal hearing on the measure at their Oct. 28 meeting, when the proposed changes in residential zoning will be reviewed. Other phases of the ordinance will be discussed later, and formal hearings will follow the informal sessions.

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Annual Book Sale Gets Aid from Local Attorney

The annual booksale held by the Birmingham branch of the American Association of University Women has, for the past 10 years, had a tremendous boost by a local attorney who, until now, has kept his identification secret.

Carl Barton, since 1947, has picked up the bill for all books purchased by those schools and institutions invited to the sale by the association.

The local attorney has felt that public appropriations were insufficient to meet the demands of worthwhile organizations. Each year he has paid up to and more than \$500 so that these public service institutions could have the books and materials they otherwise would not have.

ALL SCHOOL libraries and hospitals in Birmingham and some in Pontiac and other North Woodward suburbs will be given the choice of books when the 1958 annual sale opens in the local Detroit Edison building Oct. 27.

The sale will continue through Nov. 1. A private pre-sale for the public service groups will be held Oct. 27. Representatives with proper identification will be able to select any and all books to fill out library shelves and hospital carts first before the sale is open to the public.

The local branch, unique in its private sale, was urged in 1950 by Barton to broaden the area invited since not enough of his gift was being used.

AMONG institutions benefiting are: William Beaumont hospital, Cranbrook Baptist, Children's home and all public schools and libraries in Birmingham and environs.

Books are donated and pickup is available in north Woodward suburbs. The event, which raises more than \$2,000, all of which goes to scholarships, are Mrs. Preston Weir and Mrs. Carl Theobald.

Judge J. J. Edwards commended Birmingham police for their fine work in preparing the case for trial.

Cranbrook-Western Reserve Football Is Called Off

Saturday afternoon's Cranbrook-Western Reserve football game has been postponed at the request of the Oakland county sheriff's office.

The game was to be Cranbrook's homecoming. The 2 p.m. soccer match between the Cranbrook and Western Reserve teams was to be given for "all the world's children."

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Strictly Fresh

The boss has a well-trimmed look today. He plays cards last night with some of the salesmen.

Lazy artist who know has only a brushing acquaintance with work.

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