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SECTION A

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Our Page
This far in 1958 hundreds of thousands of young brides and grooms have floated away from the altar, soaring heavenward upon the mystic currents of celestial winds. (How I do miss 'em!) Too many of them, alas, will drop earthward, as little and big irritations and incompatibilities clip their wings. So large an adventure, with so little preparation...

Little Bazaar That Wasn't There...
... that's Franklin's. Where did it go? See page 1-E.

Not a Garret But a Garage...
... is where art is born in Bloomfield township. See page 1-E.

Did You Know...
... you could dial on your telephone a prayer by a local minister? See "At the Church Door" page 7-B.

The Red Carpet...
... was out for first nighters at Kingsley Inn—and is still. See 1-C.

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This and That
by George R. Averill

Recent passing of Lt.-Gen. Claire Lee Chennault, of Asiatic Flying Tiger fame, is cause for sorrow on many places on this earth. This man, born in Texas, started out as a school teacher. World War I sent him up and it was there he first became interested in aviation. Chennault's World War II activities in assisting a group of free flyers to fight against Japan's raids on China was of considerable material, and very much moral, aid. His life proves again that there are Americans whose indomitable will and courage are reminiscent of a pioneer spirit—a spirit so much needed by our nation these days.

A hotel was on fire and the guests, gathered out in front, were watching the flames. "Nothing to get excited about," one traveling man was boasting. "I took my time about lighting it." Lighted. Didn't like the knot in my necktie and retied it. That's how cool I was. "Fine," remarked a bystander. "But why didn't you put your pants on?"

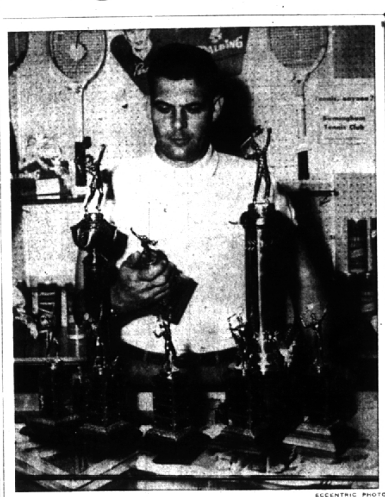
If Khrushchev, McMillan, de Gaulle and President Eisenhower could arrange for a sort of international game of competitive golf if when that summit meeting is held, what a foursome it would be! Perhaps the camaraderie of the golf course might make a human being of the Soviet leader; perhaps such a foursome might lead to better terms on international problems than the UN itself is capable of achieving. By the way, does Khrushchev know anything about golf?

Congressman James Roosevelt, now of California, one of Hyde Park and 16th Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C., is being accused of lobbying for certain legislation favorable to savings and loan associations, while recently having been made chairman of the board of a Maryland association, with a \$6,000 annual salary. How can Jimmy ethically justify such a penurious contribution to his employer, when he knows he does on the floor of the U. S. House of Representatives? Looks like Jimmy is up to some old tricks.

Once the United States was, in reality, "the land of opportunity" for all who had the will to work. Now-a-days, however, the situation is mighty different. If you reach the age of 65, chances are you're retired; maybe you'll get a pension. If you're young, with social security, maybe you can "get along." Many of our labor and government are unwilling to hire people who are in their forties... because of the lesser years until 65 is reached. Another barrier to one's freedom to obtain work in certain fields is the requirement that one join a union. Some men oppose this necessity on grounds of principle; others often find themselves unable to get union cards, for reasons well known. Who says that the U.S.A. is not on the threshold of State Welfareism-Socialism?

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Bagwell Out of Williams 3-1 Area



These eight beautiful trophies are just waiting to be claimed. They are the perpetual awards for the eight champions in the Birmingham Eccentric-recreational department Community Tennis tournament. The two tall trophies will go to the winners in the women's and men's singles divisions. Vince Seontline, formerly Birmingham high coach and owner of the Varsity Shop, 277 Pierce, examines one of the eight trophies which he donated to the big new Birmingham area event.

Birmingham Tennis Tournament Entries Surpass 100 Mark

Pairings on Page 8-E
By LES D. LINE
Sports Editor

Entries in Birmingham's first Community Tennis tournament surpassed the century mark. By the deadline hour—noon Tuesday—107 entries had been filed in the eight divisions of the big new event, co-sponsored by The Birmingham Eccentric and the city recreation department.

The tournament opens Monday morning at Eton park and will continue through the following Sunday, Aug. 17. Meet officials Tuesday said they were very pleased with the large turnout for the first tournament, and added they felt certain the tournament would become one of the Birmingham area's outstanding annual sports events.

THIRTY Birmingham area youngsters 17 and under will play in boys singles. Men's singles entries total 27 and 13 teams will vie for mens' doubles honors. Eleven players will battle for singles laurels in girls competition. Lightest response came in the women's doubles and girls doubles, the divisions drawing six and four teams, respectively.

Blue Prints Will Never Puzzle Him!

By JULIE CANDLER
Staff Writer

Sometimes you have to be an engineer to understand problems that come up before the Birmingham city commission. They'll never stump William H. Burgum, newly-appointed city commissioner who took office July 21.

GOP Chooses Broomfield

Birmingham and most surrounding districts showed traditionally strong Republican tendencies in Tuesday's primary election, as a tight turnout of 14 1/2 per cent of eligible area voters selected party nominees for state and county offices and national congressional seats. They chose incumbent Republican William S. Broomfield to oppose Democrat Leslie H. Hudson for 18th district representative in Congress. Republican gubernatorial hopeful Paul D. Bagwell elected incumbent G. Mennen Williams by a three to one ratio in the area including Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Lathrup, Southfield, Bloomfield and Southfield Townships and Farmington township's third precinct, which includes the village of Woodcreek Farms.

Delegates Named To State's Party Conventions

IN THE governor race, Birmingham Republicans cast 1,409 votes for Bagwell; Southfield city, 473; Southfield township, which includes the villages of Franklin, Westwood and Bingham Farms, 497; Lathrup 138; Bloomfield township 238; Bloomfield Hills 229; and Farmington township precinct 3, 74. Democrats split their votes between William L. Johnson and Williams, with "Soapy" drawing more by far. In Birmingham, Johnson got 252 to Johnson's 161; in Southfield city 508 to 99; Southfield township 101 to 42; Lathrup 23 to 10; Bloomfield township 144 to 90; Bloomfield Hills 15 to 10, and Farmington Precinct 3, 85 to 28.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE Donald A. Brown, running for lieutenant governor got a total of 3,546 votes in the area, 1,333 of them in Birmingham.

DEMOCRATS in this area favored Philip A. Hart over Homer Martin for the senate and Hart (See ELECTION, Page 6-A)

Says Good County Rule Impossible Under Law

"If the people of the state of Michigan will use their heads and think about this, they will help us change the state's constitution so that we can get the county government we need," a member of the important ways and means committee of the Oakland county board of supervisors told Birmingham Rotarians Tuesday.

Although he feels that Oakland county is being operated "probably better than most counties," the chairman of the 82-member board of supervisors, the county's governing body, is at the head of a committee set up to handle specific departments, such as buildings and grounds and health.

"WE HAVE TO accept their judgment, even if we are sometimes doubtful," he said. Describing streamlining progress to date, Carey told how the county department of public works was established. The county DPW was set up a year ago, with former Detroit employees.

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business stopped in 1943, when he and his wife, Helen, moved to Birmingham. They live at 1875 Winthrop, with son Tom, 16, a Birmingham high school student, and daughter Katy, 11, who goes to Quanton school. Burgum is vice president and general superintendent in charge of operations at the big Bass firm. There, across one side of his office, is a huge counter where he can spread out blueprints and plans. He also works at a big desk opposite it.

Walter R. Denison Thanks Commission For Planning Post



WALTER R. DENISON

In a letter addressed to Birmingham city commissioners this week, Walter R. Denison thanked the group for his recent appointment to the Birmingham planning board and the opportunity of serving our city.

Denison, 27, of 615 Oakland, is assistant to Oakland county Prosecutor Frederick C. Ziem. An attorney, he formerly was assistant city attorney in Pleasant Ridge, where he helped redraft that city's zoning ordinance. He is married to the former Mary Moore, daughter of Oakland county Probate Judge Arthur E. Moore. They have two children, Christina, 3, and a son, Dirk, 1. Denison's parents, the John P. Denisons, live on E. Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills.

COMING NEXT WEEK

Brimming over with pictures and news and advertisements, The Birmingham Eccentric's 'Back-to-School' issue of next week is built around THE BIG DAY when thousands of local children will trek back to school. DON'T MISS IT!

All-Day Parking Meters Shifted

Police personnel handed out maps to all-day parkers at city lot No. 1 last week. They showed locations to all-day parking meters which have been moved from the Pierce-Merrill lot to three other city parking lots.

Effective Friday, 71 twelve-hour meters were removed from park lot No. 1 to make room for more short-term shoppers' parking. The maps showed all-day parkers, most of whom work for downtown firms, that they could find all-day parking meters at lot No. 2, Ferrisville at Hamilton; lot No. 3, Hamilton near Hunter, and lot No. 4, Brownell and Forest.

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley said the biggest share of the 74 twelve-hour meters moved from lot No. 1 were taken to lot No. 3.

"IT'S JUST like with schools. You can float a bond to pay for them. But then you have to do it. It's more efficient to have one man on duty at a big plant than two men on duty at two small plants," he said.

'Vigilantes' Want War On Lincoln Speeders

"We'll get out and sit in the middle of our street if we have to," a spokesman for residents protesting speed on Lincoln avenue told Birmingham city commissioners Monday night.

He was Hyatt Eby, 986 W. Lincoln, Birmingham, speaking for 74 Lincoln avenue residents who have agreed to an unusual "vigilante" system to halt motorists making the through streets what Eby termed "a drag strip."

The vigilante suggestion was policy received by Birmingham city commissioners. They asked Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley for a speed check on the street. A report is due in two weeks, when commissioners will consider the matter again.

Eby said he had repeated conversations with Moxley during the past six months, and that Moxley rejected as impractical his suggestion to install stop signs at every corner or install progressive stop lights (timed to the street's posted speed of 25 miles per hour).

The 7 1/2 mile stretch of Lincoln parkway has a speed limit of 14 1/2 miles per hour. Residents would then man the street with stop watches, recording the license numbers of speeders. Warnings would be sent to speeders by Moxley, and with repeated violations, charges would be filed.

New High School Lay-out and Cost Bring Comments

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter is being published on behalf of a growing number of taxpayers in the Birmingham school district who, like the writer of this letter, are concerned about children's education. This letter, written by Earl Cannon, 1094 Suffield, Birmingham, asks a number of questions relevant to the subject of the new \$4,800,000 four-story high school, work on which started this fall at 13 Mile and Evergreen roads.

Last week's articles about this new school presented information relating mostly to its physical phases, with special emphasis upon its athletic facilities. Some school officials have told us that, since its publication, they have received numerous reactions, mostly critical of the apparent emphasis of physical portions of the curriculum.

This week The Eccentric prepared a questionnaire covering many sides of the local educational program, with special emphasis upon its athletic facilities. Some school officials have told us that, since its publication, they have received numerous reactions, mostly critical of the apparent emphasis of physical portions of the curriculum.

To the editor: All I know about the new junior-senior high school to be built at 13 Mile road and Evergreen road is what I read in the "Eccentric" of July 31st. Therefore, if I have received wrong impressions or misinformation I would appreciate being more thoroughly informed so as to correct the views expressed below.

It was my understanding that the bond issue authorized for the Birmingham bureau of education in June of 1957 was for educational purposes. Apparently I was mistaken; instead, it was to create an athletic club for teenagers.

I did not find a library and this library has a great deal to distinguish it from the rest of the architecture which is composed of square or rectangular blocks. I suggest that the architect who designed this building should be held responsible for the cost of the building. (See COMMENTS, Page 6-A)

STRICTLY FRESH

Fellow across the desk from us says that it's amazing how so much fun when the boss asks you to goofing.

An optimist is a fellow who expects a small child to leave his wagon in a safe place once.

We know why they call it a "guarantee." It's often guaranteed by the manufacturer against any chance of having to replace an item.

Your bright, clever lad is remarkably like the smart-alecky kid up the street.

There's nothing like contemplation of a mess of fresh-baked bread to make you think of the thought of a seafood meal, cleaned and cooked for you at a restaurant.