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People's Column

Agrees In Main With Editorial On Name-Change

To the Editor:
After reading the editorial you published in The Eccentric last week (Sept. 24 issue), I thought you might be interested in another opinion.
Some of your article I agree with. A few minor points I feel were possibly phrased a little too emotionally.

WHEN WE RAN cross-country during the past four years, we did not run for Birmingham high school. We ran for the body of students and faculty which the name represented.

This body is still in existence and I do not believe the STUDENTS will let themselves down. By "students," I mean people who can think and are conscientious persons. The people who have done the recent damage are not "students."

EVERYONE MUST have realized that a name-change was inevitable when a new high school was built. Otherwise, prejudice would be very strongly entrenched for the school named "Birmingham."

The lack of organization and the late start in the drive to change a new name seems to show a reactionary type of movement, rather than a completely sane one.

However, the school board is not absolutely free from guilt. Had it named the new high school by another name in 1952, it is possible not quite such a clamor would have arisen.

SOME PEOPLE CLAIM they would rather have "Central" and "South." However, I feel any original name change would have brought the same reaction from the same people.

Oh, well! I'm probably in the extreme minority, but I sort of like "Seaborn" anyway.
THOMAS A. BROWN,
Vice-President
Class of '59

North Evergreen System Ready In Next 30 Days

Northern portion of the giant Evergreen interceptor relief sewer will go into operation within 30 days, County DPW boss Harold Schone promised last week in a talk at the Birmingham Rotary club.

This section is that lying above 14 Mile road, he said, and will serve the western two-thirds of Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield township, and parts of Troy and Pontiac township.

The disposal plant at 14 Mile and Evergreen, which the county bought recently from Birmingham and Bloomfield township, will handle the flow until the Evergreen section below 14 Mile is connected to Detroit, Schone said.

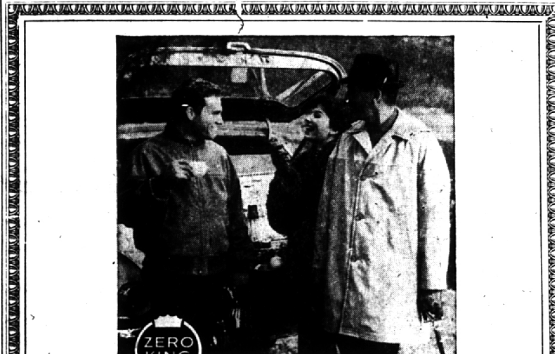
The former Birmingham and Oak Park city manager outlined the sewer and water projects the county DPW has undertaken since its inception two years ago.
Had the Course
QUANTICO, Va. — Graduated recently from the Marine Corps Junior Platoon Leader course at Quantico, Va., was George C. Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Collins of 291 Waddington Rd., Birmingham.
He is a student at Columbia college.



Helpful Friends

The library's friends and its head sit down to map out the coming season's activities at and for the Baldwin Public library. From left they are: Mrs. Howard Thurman, 2300 Fairway, Hospitality staff member; Mrs. William Burlingame, 3891 Oak Hills, Program Chairman; Mrs. George W. Davis IV, 1030 Pilgrim, Hospitality Chairman and Staff Co-ordinator, and Mrs. Jeanne

Lloyd, 571 Bates, Head Librarian. Chancellor Varner, MSU-O, will speak on "Today's Opportunities for Continuing Education," Oct. 29. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevenson, from the University of Michigan will give their audience an insight into "This Season on Broadway," Dec. 1. Everyone in the area is eligible to apply for membership in the Friends of the Library.



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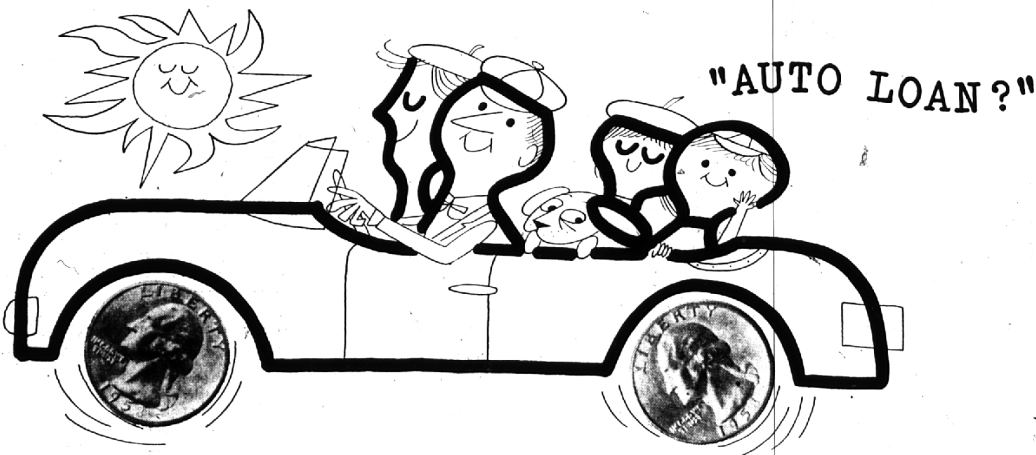


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