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This and That

By George R. Averill

A Book To Raise Your Indignation

If, already, you haven't read "The Ugly American," I strongly suggest that you do. This book, for several months on the "best seller" list, reveals to you some of the downright blundering (even suggestive of sabotage) carried out by our State Dept. in handling foreign aid.

THIS "UGLY AMERICAN"

details the manner in which this fictional-based-on-fact-story) the Communists already have outsmarted us in winning backward nations. With but few exceptions, it depicts how the people of these nations are misled by incompetent, cocktail-hoisting staff members.

THE "UGLY AMERICAN"

After you read this book, no longer will you be able to deny why we have lost so many millions of people to the Communist world. Perhaps you will be moved to contact your Senator and Representative on the subject. You may have you a stake in where your money goes, but more importantly, you have the largest of stakes: your freedom in a world that Communism is trying to dominate—including the U.S.A.

"I don't mind the critics who yell about us building our new ten million dollar tunnel from our new office building to beneath the Capitol,"

laughed Senator Hoakum to Senator Kiddum as they rode in one of the new \$15,000 electric cars.

Michigan State University's

president John A. Hamrick recently held an audience of teachers that they should acquire a "liberal" education if they were to be considered "liberal." Now if he only will define "liberal," perhaps we'll be able to understand his meaning.

Children's Society Gets \$1,753 Check From B'nai B'rith

A check for \$1,753.49—proceeds from the Birmingham Rotary club's December newspaper sale—was presented Wednesday night to the Oakland county society for crippled children.

Mathew Cammareri, club paper

next March's Easter seal sale, handed over the check at a special dinner in Pontiac. Several community organizations also presented checks which will help sustain the society's efforts with crippled children.

All makes of laser spring mattress required. Order by mail only. \$1.00 extra for shipping. Call 4-1234 for catalogue.

It has been said that a majority of today's parents do not know in any precise detail just what is being taught their children in the public school systems of our nation. If this be so, why? Up to the day when a child is turned over to kindergarten teacher, its parents have given countless hours each day to its upbringing. Kisses and hugs galore have embraced it in parental arms.

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B'nai to Push Driver Education Here

Your Court Report

B'nai Bench Has 2 Judges

Bar Association Presents Local Court National Award

Does your community's judge or justice of the peace believe traffic and law violators should be handed stiff penalties? What kind of a person is your court official and what is the judicial set-up in your community?

Where and when are Birmingham-Bloomfield area court sessions held?

To give you the answers to these and other questions, The Birmingham Eccentric this week presents the first of a series of 8 stories based on interviews with the community's municipal and justice court officials.

By AL SANDNER
Staff Writer

The combination of Emery and Emery, a new set of court rules and a switch from a justice court to a municipal court, proved to be a prize-winning one for Birmingham.

The American Bar Association recently presented the Birmingham Municipal court with an award that says the court was tops in the nation in "improvements in court proceedings," among cities of its population class.

THE AWARD. Presented late in 1959 was won during the first year that Birmingham benches were shared by the brothers, John C. Emery Jr. and Edward B. Emery.

It came after a new set of court rules went into effect (November, 1958) and the local government mainly administrative details, were in turn the result of a new-found power of the recently established municipal court. Aug. 11, 1956.

OTHER FRESH powers were the authority to set aside a verdict and to grant a new trial.

Both were re-elected last April for four-year terms.

JOHN, who received his LL.B. from the University of Michigan in 1949, was admitted to the bar in 1949 and started his law career with his father's firm in Detroit. He came to Birmingham in 1952, and succeeded the Birmingham bench as a great later, in Jan., 1953.

John Emery and his wife Joan have four children, John, 10; Kathleen, 8; James, 6; and Geoffrey, 3. (See BENCH, Page 2-A)

Community Service Brings JCC Award

A 30-year-old Birmingham businessman, who devotes much of his additional time to outside interests ranging from service jobs to community and church work, (Tuesday was revealed as the Birmingham junior chamber of commerce's "Man of the Year."

He is Arthur J. Lake, 345 Tilbury, Bloomfield Village, who with his father, Lloyd Lake, started here about a dozen years ago with a small store, and now have Oakland county's finest jewelry and tableware store.

Art Lake received his distinguished service award from JCC President Robert Wilson at a special luncheon held Tuesday night.

THE DSA HONOR goes to an outstanding young man in the community who has demonstrated untiring leadership and community service.

Young Lake has crammed more activity into his life than have most men twice his age.

He is 1960 Torch Drive chairman for the Birmingham business area, has been active in many Birmingham chamber of commerce activities, and for its retail membership.

LAKE, co-owner of Lakes' Jewelers

is a member of the Exchange Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the state board of directors of the Retail Jewelers Association.

He is also a member of the committee of management of both the YMCA and the Cub scouts in Birmingham. He is chairman of the Birmingham branch of Bloomfield Village. He is a Sunday school teacher at St. Luke's church.

Dimes Concern Jeweler During Coming March

Arthur J. Lake of 345 Tilbury, Birmingham, has been named chairman of the Birmingham area for the New March of Dimes.

The announcement was made by the Rev. G. Burton Hodgson, of 2488 Drive, Birmingham, Oakland county chairman of the Birmingham area. Mr. Hodgson said that Lake is responsible for the organization of the March of Dimes campaign team in Birmingham and the distribution of canisters, coin cards and literature.

Lake's top aide in the city will be Mrs. Harvey C. Swift, of 875 Stanley, chairman of the traditional Mothers' March, which will climax the campaign on Thursday evening, Jan. 28.

REV. HODGSON also named Frank Madonick, 2930 Middlebury, and Mrs. Gerald Diehl, 3828 Blanford, to top posts in Bloomfield Hills.

Madonick was appointed Bloomfield township area chairman. Mrs. Diehl was named Mothers' march chairman.

MRS. ARTHUR J. LAKE, 19601 (See DIMES, Page 2-A)

Turkey Air Crash Kills B'nai Man

A 34-year-old Birmingham man, manager of a chemical firm in Rome, died Tuesday night when a twin-jet Scandinavian airliner crashed near the Ankara, Turkey airport.

James Holm, son of 429 Hopkins, 440 Berwyn, was the only American aboard. He was one of 42 persons on the French-built Caravelle jet.

Some witnesses said the plane appeared to explode high in the air when it prepared to approach the airport, according to the Associated Press. Others said they saw flames as the plane came down. Still others said the explosion and fire followed the crash.

Bound from Stockholm and Copenhagen to Rome, the plane carried 35 passengers and a crew of seven.

Will Replace Only Existing Pavement On Redding Road

Redding road — Birmingham's most notorious street — finally is going to be repaved and widened.

But it's taken about 20 years, plus an hour and 45 minutes of a day night to make the decision.

By a unanimous majority, six commissioners determined Tuesday for putting in a new 29-foot pavement from Woodward west to Lakeland Park. There'll be a sewer, too, between the Rouge and Lakeland Park.

You Like Syd Whether You're For or Ag'in

By JULIE CANDLER
Staff Writer

To agree or not to agree—that is the question when Sydney Harris comes to town. The provocative columnist spoke at Birmingham Town Hall Thursday and Friday. The question and answer periods that followed—both at the Birmingham theatre and later at the country club luncheon—turned into debating sessions.

Two Great Book Groups Meet Here

Birmingham has a fifth year Great Books discussion group, and a first-year group began sessions Tuesday for fall. "Franklin, Aristotle, X Judd, 3080 Northgate, Southfield, leader of the Birmingham group, said newcomers are welcome to join them or call him.

The group meets first and third Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at Birmingham Community House. They take up Pico Della Mirandola's "The Dignity of Man" Feb. 3.

Franklin's group meets the evening of Jan. 25 at Franklin Community church. Mrs. Richard P. Bernard, 2828 Wellington, has information on the group.

Local Great Books coordinator is Mrs. Lois Worley, 2433 Fernhill, Royal Oak.

Teen Behavior Opinions Sought by Special Group

By DENI SCANLON
Writer

Once Johnny has learned how to read and write, he reaches another phase of development that is a curiosity for both him and his parents. That is the age of socializing with his peer group.

The mere getting together and having fun is a normal procedure. But when this getting-together will be and what kind of fun will be had is a question being raised in Birmingham by a joint group of teenagers and parents known as the Parents and Teenagers.

STIMULATED BY a letter published in The Birmingham Eccentric from a university student who asked help for teenagers in this "awkward stage," the Parents and Teenagers have begun a plan to find out answers to questions from both the young people and their guardians.

A core of parents, whose chairman is Mrs. Eleanor M. Paluhin, 429 Park, Birmingham, and a representative group of youngsters from the area schools will meet tonight to begin discussing a poll

Too Costly, Say School Officials

The Birmingham school district—hounded by constantly multiplying demands on its strained budget—will spearhead a move to change the state law that requires public schools to provide driver education for all students who want it.

Hamtramck, faced with similar problems, has chosen a more direct course, Birmingham School Superintendent Dwight B. Ireland told the local board.

THE HAMTRAMCK school district would like to ignore the state law, Birmingham is watching this action with interest, but we favor a more normal course in changing the law," Ireland said.

The Hamtramck case underlines the fact that the state law carries no penalty clause for the school district that fails to comply.

This case and Birmingham's study of the law points out ambiguities which leave some doubt that the obligation is binding on each school district.

THE QUESTION will be mentioned formally to the County School Board association, Feb. 8, Mrs. Kathryn Loomis, president of the Birmingham board said, although the experts to mention now is association President Merrill Bates.

Financial problems have caused what may be general disfavor with the program, Birmingham school district pays out \$300 per year to educate future drivers. The state provides the other \$10,000 of the cost.

As originally planned, the state was to reimburse the schools \$25 per student, but Birmingham has received only \$12.64 per student, yet costs average \$50 per student.

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BOWING TO residents' demands that all driver's license applicants under 18 years of age be given a "road test" behind the wheel instruction in a course given by a qualified instructor.

The code gives the state superintendent of schools the authority to carry out the program, and provides further that "no charge or fee shall be made" for the course.

"The county board of education would be a place to start," said Birmingham Administrative Assistant Richard Featherstone, Birmingham, it is hoped, will learn there whether other school districts are facing the same financial squeeze in driver education.

THIS MIGHT BE the start of a united front which could approach the state and ask for a change in the law in the individual school district, Ireland said.

The outcome of the Hamtramck case, should determine just how binding this law is on the individual school district, Ireland said, since the state law is not entirely clear on this subject. It says nothing about the action to be taken against the school system that fails to comply.

Income is dropping while demands for services are increasing, he went on.

"NOWADAYS, most of the demands on a superintendent's time and attention are serious educational matters," Ireland said.

In other action, the demand for services moved the board to approve the purchase of a \$60,700 school bus.

The demand, said assistant Superintendent Norman Wolfe came from the square-mile area bounded by Greenfield, Southfield, 13 and 14 Mile roads.

A sudden increase in students at Groves high school from that area has caused a serious overcrowding of buses, Wolfe said.

The school district is saving money by buying this bus, he pointed out, ahead of the normal spring buying.

This is just one of eight new buses scheduled to be bought next year.

The board okayed the installation of locks on outside court doors at Groves High school. The \$500 cost will be covered by a decision not to install a fence around one of the outside courts at the school.

Breach Fills GOP Post In County for 1960

William H. "Bill" Breach is the Oakland county Republican Finance committee chairman for 1960.

His appointment was announced this week by Merritt D. Hill, committee director.

BREACH is president of Great Lakes Tractor and Equipment company, Birmingham, and lives with his wife and two children on Franklin road in West Bloomfield.

The appointment of Bill Breach to the position provides for a public affairs committee with a chairman who has an outstanding record in business and has served in many state, county and community activities. Hill said.

REAPPOINTMENT of Edward C. Falkner, 1611 Yorkville, has been named to a five-year term on the board of appeals of the Birmingham bureau of fire prevention. The five-board board was appointed a year ago when it was established under a new ordinance. One term expires annually.

IF IT'S the median group seeking knowledge of what there is fair—which will benefit from the study, she maintains.

The study will be conducted to find a common denominator in any discussion of social activities between knowledge and teenagers to bridge the gulf of misunderstanding that so often arises because of divergent opinions.

Within the next few months, after parents and youngsters committee will be formed and the committee records them, Birmingham may have a more concrete idea as to just what it is that "everybody's doing."

PERCY is president of Bell & Howell. A feature of the meeting will be a closed circuit telecast with greetings from President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Vice President Richard Nixon, Senator Morin, and other leaders of the party, Oakland county, in cooperation with Wayne and Macomb counties, is combining forces in sale of tickets to the "Dinner With Ike" program.

Tickets can be procured from Bill Breach or at the Oakland County Republican Campaign Headquarters, 351 Woodward, Birmingham.

WILLIAM H. BREACH