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This and That

by George R. Averill

George Washington Had His Problems

Perhaps you may like to receive a bit of cheering up, in the event that your observation of national and world conditions has dampened your spirits. The other day I received a letter from Frank C. Hanighan, editor and publisher of "Human Events," a weekly coming out of Washington, D. C. He writes:

"On occasions when there seems much to be discouraged about, I find inspiration in the story of Washington at Valley Forge. At that time when the Revolution seemed lost, Washington's officers came to him with this plea: 'We must flee far into the West where the British cannot reach us. Going with our families, now before it is too late, we can get away. We can fight off the Indians; far out in the wilderness, we can build ourselves a new little country. On the other hand, if we continue to resist, we are doomed.' In reply, Washington told his officers that they probably were right. He could see no more hope than they. But he said, he had no choice. Regardless of the outcome, he had to fight on.

"He did. America is America because Washington could not do otherwise than to fight on even when he saw no hope. He could not quit even when he could see no hope, we should be able to carry on his work when now there is so much hope."

Remember that famous baseball phrase: "Bunkers to Evers to Chance?" Currently, in the lingo of big-time politics, it might go: " Truman to Kennedy to Johnson and also of Symington and Stevenson—all of whom are stepping against a certain Nixon.

Carl Sandburg, the famous author-poet who recently participated in the recent Arts Festival program here, declared that "one week-movie on TV per month is enough; that makes 12 a year—after which one ought to be able to write his own." He further stated: "The great men and women of the past had no radio, TV or movies—but they did have the precious gift that goes with creative solitude."

Congress has given President Eisenhower a law that allows him to determine the amount of Cuban (See THIS & THAT, Page 2-A)

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Ernest Breech Resigns Position With Ford Motor Appointed Chairman Of Finance Group

The resignation of Ernest R. Breech, 63, chairman of the board of directors of the Ford Motor company was announced Wednesday by Henry Ford II, president, following a regular meeting Wednesday of the company board of directors.

Breech lives on Long Lake road in Bloomfield Hills. Ford also announced that Breech would continue to serve as a member of the company's board of directors and that he has been elected chairman of the newly created finance committee which will advise regarding financial policies of the company.

At the same meeting of the Ford board, the resignation of Breech as chairman and member of the company's administration committee and as vice-chairman and member of the executive committee was also accepted.

Henry Ford II, was elected chairman of the board as well as president.

12,000 View 4th Art Display

The largest crowd ever, estimated by police at more than 12,000 persons, attended the annual July 4th community fireworks display at Washburn field, Chamber of Commerce President Harvey Kresge said.

Previous record was last year when an estimated 10,000 attended. Kresge said there was only one improvement: the Chamber had decided upon for next year—a longer program.

"WE THINK THAT when that many people take the trouble to turn out, they'd like to have a longer program... perhaps an hour instead of 38 minutes. The chamber sponsors the annual display with the approximate \$1,500 cost shared through contributions from business and professional members.

"IN THESE ASSIGNMENTS," Breech stated, "I shall be able to carry on an association and relationship with men, with a company and in an industry that have been assumed name.

Eight Arrested For Wild Spree

Eight local youths were charged with malicious destruction of property at a Roscommon tourist court June 19 by State Police who said the teen-agers broke 30 windows in three cottages and damaged furniture.

"Three of the boys and a ninth youth were charged with using false identification to purchase alcoholic beverages.

Sgt. Harrison of the 8000th Lake State Police post said approximately \$400 worth of damage was done to the tourist court. Sgt. Harrison said one of the teen-agers rented the three cottages under an assumed name.

Arrested were William J. Baby, 19, 16010 Buckingham; Michael G. Jackson, 18, 3805 W. Maple; Glen Scott, 18, 815 Rivenoak; Michael McManus, 19, 648 E. Lincoln; Robert Morrison, 19, 7155 Parkhurst; James Bragaz, Jr., 17, 1033 Kennewick; and Gary Allen Fuller, 19, 1805 Mansfield, all of Birmingham. Also, William Ashcraft, 18, 18551 Devonshire, Beverly Hills.

FULLER WAS CHARGED only with using false identification to purchase alcoholic beverages. Charge also filed against Ashcraft, Baby and Bragaz. All the youths pleaded guilty except Bragaz who pleaded not guilty to the malicious destruction charge and stood mute on the false identification complaint. His trial on both charges has been set for 2:30 p.m. Monday, July 18.

Except for Scott and Norris, the teen-agers all have previous arrest records in either Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills or Beverly Hills.

THEY APPEARED in Roscommon justice court before Justice Allan H. Pierson. In attempting to investigate the charges made against the boys, The Eccentric was denied any information including trial and sentencing dates. He told an Eccentric reporter he would give no information over the telephone but if the reporter wished to travel to Roscommon to examine the public record in person, he could do so.

Sgt. Harrison said the seven who pleaded guilty to malicious destruction were charged \$20 court costs and given two years probation provided their parents make full restitution for the damages to the tourist court.

No sentences have been handed down yet for the trio who pleaded guilty on the false identification charge.

THE HILLS police is south of Long Lake road, just west of Telegraph.

Program chairman are Mrs. Allen Simmons of Highland and Mrs. Robert Simula of Birmingham. "This program," they said, "is part of an educational campaign to help nominate the best possible candidates at the Aug. 2 primary."

All males of lower social maturity should serve ROYAL MARY TRUSS COMPANY. Dial "90" and ask for extension 021.



Dry Run for New Planners

Birmingham's two new plan board members dropped by city hall the other day to study some of the cases currently before the board and to familiarize themselves with their new duties. George Talburt, 612 Brookside, (left) and Clark Stevens, 1386 Lakeside, were recently appointed to the board by the city commission to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of Victor Peck and Florence Willett (who served on the plan board prior to becoming mayor).

Workmen Get to Bottom Of 20,000-Year-Old Story

By NITA HARD Staff Writer

Having a rare old time of it, sidewalk superintendents of the new Demery building project on Woodward are getting a glimpse into the past, possibly a ten to twenty-thousand year-old peck.

At the bottom of a gaping cavity where swarms of steel helmeted workmen are laying footings for the new department store, the residue of the ice Age is exposed, momentarily.

For the inquiring man-on-the-street, the Birmingham Eccentric turned to naturalist Walter P. Nickell of the Cranbrook Institute of Science to confirm the origin of the soil that forms the interesting stratification. He tells us it is only one of several types of glacial deposit left by the Wisconsin period of glaciation, the last

to spread its icy bulk over this part of the state.

THE MOIST layer at the bottom of the 35-foot-deep pit is hard-packed blue clay. Though its actual depth is unknown, the clay layer settled slowly out of a melt-water suspension in a quiet impoundment, while the ice front lay



Wisconsin Glacier's Work Exposed

Cranbrook Naturalist Walter P. Nickell examines successive layers of sand and gravel laid down by the retreating Wisconsin-age sheet 20,000 or more years ago. He's standing on a thick layer of blue clay, exposed during the current excavation of the deep basement of the new Demery's department store on N. Woodward, Birmingham.

Teen-Age Court Improvements Asked by Judge

More Participants Is Prime Suggestion

By CON ERICKSON Staff Writer

Birmingham will have to come up with solutions to new requirements placed upon the operation of the local teenage traffic court by Probate Judge Arthur E. Moore—or abandon the program.

Judge Moore has told local police officials that the number of teen agers (20 to 25) present at court sessions is too small to justify assigning a juvenile court referee to attend. He said that 80 to 100 youngsters should participate to justify continuing the program.

Birmingham Police Lt. Robert Schaulé, who handles juvenile problems said that he, Chief Ralph Moxley, and City Manager L. R. Gare are working out proposals which they hope will meet Judge Moore's approval and rescue the unique system for dealing with teenage offenders.

IN THE TEEN-AGE COURT, certain youngsters in trouble who are "tried" in a court where the prosecutor, judge and jury are other teen-agers. Penalties levied may range from writing them on safety to performing a certain number of hours work for city departments.

The court is envisioned as an educational tool to convey the seriousness of such offenses not only to the defendant, but to the other youngsters participating. Representatives of the police department, schools and juvenile court act as advisors during the court sessions.

IT MAY take several hundred years for 15 to 20 feet of clay to settle. No one knows how thick the clay strata is at the Demery excavation, so it's hard to judge the full extent of time involved. Besides, that just gets us to the bottom of the matter.

MOORE SAID THAT without more youngsters than the present 20 to 25 attending court sessions, the educational process reaches too few youngsters to justify expending the juvenile court's limited funds to provide a court representative.

He said the only other similar program in Oakland County is in Pontiac where both city and suburban schools participate to provide larger turnouts at court sessions. If the court handles five or six cases in one day, most of the youngsters attending get to sit in on one of the juries and observe the others, Moore said.

"If we had lots of money, I think the Birmingham program might be worth continuing," Moore said.

LT. SCHAULÉ AGREED that the Birmingham program, dealing with smaller numbers of youngsters, had a more profound effect on those participating. He said he was sure something could be worked out to keep the program going.

Asked if there were any statistics to indicate the effectiveness of the program in cutting down juvenile offenses since it began in 1957, Schaulé said he and his associates are making a statistical analysis which should be completed within a few days.

Special Fund to Buy Library Furnishings

A subscription to obtain \$40,000 to complete the furnishing and equipping of the new Baldwin Public Library adding to the city fund by the Friends of the Library.

More than 1,700 letters were mailed out this week to Birmingham families requesting contributions.

The fund raising committee, headed by Herbert G. Cameron, president of the Friends of the Library, and James Rubin, president of the Baldwin library board, is working to provide books, a public address system, stanchions, curtains, files and other equipment for the expanded library.

"WHEN THE city commission authorized the current expansion of the Baldwin Public Library, it is at this point that the Friends of the Baldwin Public Library are stepping in."

Dave Brubeck Quartet At Cranbrook Sunday

The Cranbrook Gardens Summer Festival will present the world-famous Dave Brubeck Quartet in the final concert of its outdoor series at Cranbrook Stadium, Bloomfield Hills, Sunday, July 17, at 4:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Cranbrook music guild, the festival previously has presented a concert by the Detroit symphony orchestra under the direction of Walter Poole. L. James Schneider, general chairman of the festival, said that both of the previous concerts, which were held in the Greek Theatre at Cranbrook, have been "artistic, as well as financial, successes."

Departing this year from its former policy of presenting only chamber music, the festival plans to even further expand its program next summer by presenting the finest in all forms of art.

The Dave Brubeck quartet, which features Brubeck at the piano and Paul Desmond on the alto sax, also includes Joe Morello on the drums and Gene Wright on the bass.

The concert is open to the public and Schneider hopes to fill the 2,000-seat Cranbrook stadium which is located on Lane Field Rd. in the heart of beautiful Bloomfield Hills.

Sunday afternoon's appearance will not be its first appearance here this year.

Brubeck's group has won more than 100 awards and has appeared in the leading concert halls in this country.

DAVE BRUBECK

try, in Europe and in the Far East. The quartet also has made guest appearances on many of the leading television shows, including both the Ed Sullivan Show and the Steve Allen Show.

Their recordings for Columbia have sold millions of records.

Brubeck also has been the subject of a Time magazine cover story.

Tickets for Sunday's concert are available at Griemell's in downtown Birmingham.

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