

Carl Sandburg Came to Our Town



As Carl Sandburg spoke . . .



. . . he drew the attention and admiration of the thousands who thronged to see and hear him.



People of all ages flocked to see the sage of the western world. Young folks, like Judy, Jim and Bob Newberg, children of the W. C. Newbergs (above), were fascinated by Sandburg's concepts of youth.



And even old friends were present. James Switzer, a friend Sandburg met during the Spanish-American War, came to say hello to the contemporary philosopher. Mrs. W. E. Lewis, Switzer's daughter, also joined the reunion.



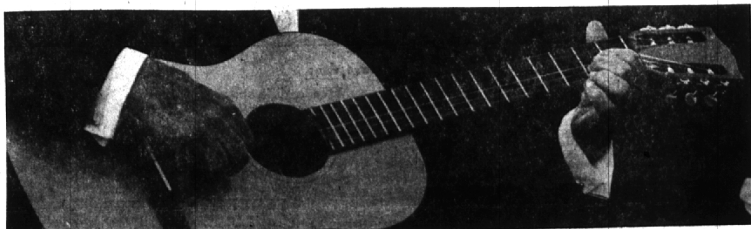
And adults, such as Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Averill, listened as Sandburg talked of the world of yesterday and the world of today.

Sandburg's keen mind brought forth sharp and stimulating observations on broad topics, such as George Washington, Harry Golden, television and cigarettes.

But even his bitter criticisms of what we call the modern generation were made palatable when soothed by a sense of humor mellowed by age.



Birmingham residents extended hands of welcome to Sandburg. He accepted them graciously.



The people of Birmingham will long remember the day Carl Sandburg, the guitar strumming wise man, came to our town.

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