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This and That
by George R. Averill
Your Thoughts Are What You Are ...

Here are some words that set forth an inspirational thought ... a thought that has been stated in a variety of ways over a period of many centuries. It's worth reading, again, and, in many times, again. It was written by an American author and essayist, James Allen, a Kentuckian. At the request of a number of friends, I am printing it herewith:

"As you think, you travel; as you love you attract. You are today where your thoughts have taken you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you. You cannot escape the result of your thoughts; you can reduce and learn, accept and be glad.

"You will realize the vision (not the idle wish) of your heart, be it base or beautiful, or a mixture of the two, for you will be directed towards what you most love. In your hands will be placed the result of your thoughts; you will receive that which you earn, no more, no less.

"Whatever your present position may be, you will fall, rise with your thoughts, your wisdom, your ideals. You will become as small as your controlling desire; as great as your dominant aspiration."

Don't forget that this is an election year. Offices of President, Governor, and numerous others on various levels of government must be filled this fall. In the meantime you will hear and read a variety of utterances by candidates from both major parties. Much of what they say will be just plain common sense, but some will be mother and against sin, or what have you. Some of it will be honest and sincerely stated. The final decision, of course, is with the American voters. If they fall for the hollow, manipulative, and etc., they may elect incompetents; if they are able to perceive such things, they may elect wise and demagogues. Our form of government, it must never be forgotten, is the only kind that turns average man and woman "on the loose" to fashion their own ideas of a free and efficient society."

Here's a very important thought, says an expert on the subject: Science shows us how to walk on the North Pole and fly over the moon—but you're still on your own when you cross the street.

Now that the recent "summit meeting" proved something close to an international tragedy, it is reported that the U. S., Great Britain and France from now on support the traditional, traditional procedures through ambassadors, etc. First, Sounds like that, especially when dealing with totalitarian governments.

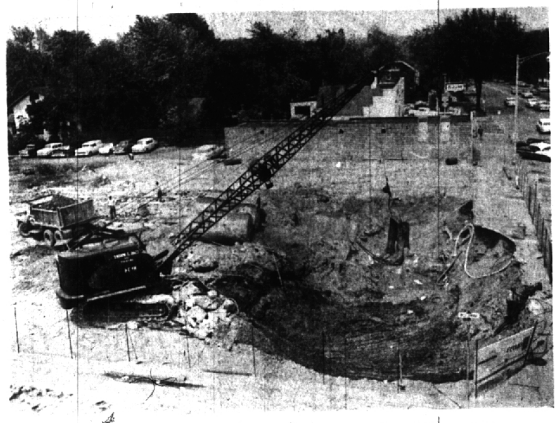
Lions Club Elects Officers For '60-'61

The Birmingham Lions Club elected new officers, June 8. The results are: Don S. Caputo, 1005 Worthington, president; Harold Kahlfleisch, 6419 Malvern, first vice president; Eugene Farmer, 516 Lakewood, second vice president; Donald B. Cummings, 1381 Cedar, secretary; Robert Bookmyer, 482 Puritan, is tall teller; Emerson Brown, 5550 Brookington, lion tamer; McBride, 3700 Long Lake road, Bloomfield Hills, director; Frank B. Wilson, 778 Biltmore, director; Herbert Brown, 4841 Charing Cross road, director. Jim Coates, 215 Amberly, is immediate past president.

All names of lion spring past-president are in italics. For more information, contact THESS COMPANY, Dist. "O", and ask for Enterprise 4210.

Where there are leaders there must be followers—yet history proves that human society has been always lacking in sufficient numbers of good grades of both groups. Contrarywise, human society can say that it has had a fair allotment of good and wise leaders and ditto for followers. So, if you believe that mankind is destined to move very slowly from barbarian to civilized status, then you may be satisfied with today's results.

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Crane Digs in for Demery's Deadline
Workmen and machinery are busy at The Eccentric's new location, Woodward and Hamilton, laying the groundwork for Demery's three-story department store. Completion is expected in the Spring of 1961, Demery's Golden Anniversary year.

Downtown Building Activity Booming

By LES LANGLOIS
Staff Writer

If the present rate of commercial development were to continue, it wouldn't be long before the entire face of Birmingham's downtown business section would be unrecognizable.

Shoppers and visitors for some weeks have been asking "What's going on here in downtown Birmingham?" This unusual spurt in business development and beautification has brought smiles to the faces of both businessmen and city officials.

All this activity visibly strengthens Birmingham's economic resources.

Here's what is going on along our main streets:

Building owner Sam Bruni has put \$50,000 into the remodeling of the northeast corner of Woodward and Maple. The major renovation included new floors, concrete frames with a basement selling floor added to Gillies Shoes and a new front for neighboring George's Barber shop.

THE D. J. HEALY SHOP, previously located in the Wabek building, recently moved to Pierce between Maple and Merrill. Although it is only a temporary move, pending future plans of a proposed six or seven store development nearby, considerable alterations were made in the former Slenidorella Salon.

The walls separating the Slenidorella fitting rooms were torn down and Healy installed their own fitting rooms, replacing all fixtures and lighting. The new Healy's will continue to carry the same brand merchandise, but have increased its sports wear styles 100 per cent over previous stock.

A Wabek building addition near W. Maple and Bates will be occupied in August by Kay Cooley, who will be specializing in sports and travel clothing. After present construction and interior decorating commences, the steel framework will be placed at Cooley's growing dress and loaders at Woodward and Hamilton in the southeast corner of the building.

THE FORMER F. W. Woolworth location in the Briggs building just west of Worth, across from the new Stevens building constructed two years ago. The modern air-conditioned 100-square foot structure with aluminum curtain walls will be called the Stevens Annex and should be completed in September. It will contain business and professional offices.

WHILE WORKMEN swing the steel framework beams into place at Cooley's growing dress and loaders at Woodward and Hamilton in the southeast corner of the building.



Business Corner Gets New Face
Dressing up the northeast corner of Woodward and Maple is Gillies' \$50,000 building which includes George's Barber Shop. This is one of the many commercial development projects that have been completed or are in the process of being completed in Birmingham's business district.

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of town, but the grass damage is a problem.

"Also, we hope that the Marshall Field's pool and sculpture will be erected in the park soon. That would prevent the erection of the geodesic dome," the Mayor said.

THOM SAID A basic successful form seems to have been found for the Festival.

"Using the evening events as a central core and adding the art demonstrations, the artist markets and the paintings in the windows was very successful and probably will be followed in the future. Our job now is to refine and perfect this form," Thom said.

Averill agreed that there were many details to be refined, such as information available about paintings shown in the store windows.

"Each year this Festival is a new learning process and we are suffering some growing pains," Averill said.

Richard is negotiating with Oakland county officials this morning. He is making a formal refusal to allow the connection of \$17 million worth of Oakland sewerage into the city's sewerage system. Richard's refusal is caused by lack of Oakland drains.

The \$7 million Evergreen will serve Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield and Pontiac townships, Lathrup, Southfield and Beverly Hills.

'Center Stage' Idea Strengthens Festival

By DON PEMBER
Staff Writer

As a blazing orange sun fell behind Carl Sandburg's shoulder at Cranbrook Sunday evening, the third annual Birmingham Arts Festival ended. Harassed through the week by foul weather, the fair, nevertheless, captured the hearts of art lovers, old and new, throughout the area.

What were the high points of the festival?

Robert Thom, consultant on this year's Festival said the jazz night was "phenomenal."

"You couldn't have gotten any more people in the tent if you dug holes and stood them in upright," Thom said commenting on the crowd for the jazz festival.

Robert Vanderkloot, chairman of the Festival, said the geodesic dome was a highlight.

But Mayor Florence Willett probably had the most profound thought.

She said the varied program was of interest to all age groups, and this made the Festival a truly community affair and family function.

Jazz Wins Crowd at Festival

See Picture on Page 4-A
By DENI SCANLON
Staff Writer

Take Newport on a small scale. Add some good talent and an enthusiastic audience. Forget the few sprinkles of rain. What's the result? Birmingham's first jazz festival, a musical epic best described as "a capacity-and-then-some crowd."

The first of such beat dishes served Friday at a capacity-and-then-some crowd.

"It was one of the most gratifying things I have ever experienced," commented Dr. Richard Galpin, who spent many months working on and worrying about the program.

The performers showed a second. The geodesic dome, they said, kept music and applause so confined that by the end of the evening, it was as though they were long-time friends with each person in the audience.

INSTEAD OF just clattering backstage, the jazz men spent off-stage time with fans.

Local builder Harold Stevens is in the process of erecting a two-story building at 975 E. Maple just west of Worth, across from the new Stevens building constructed two years ago. The modern air-conditioned 100-square foot structure with aluminum curtain walls will be called the Stevens Annex and should be completed in September. It will contain business and professional offices.

HOW WAS THE Festival, taken as a whole, successful?

Paul Averill president of the Bloomfield Art Association, a sponsoring organization of the Festival, called it the most successful yet.

From the standpoint of the participation of art resources and the program of events, it was very good," Averill said. The community response—the attendance of people at the events—also was outstanding.

Vanderkloot called the Festival "a tremendous success." He was quite intrigued by the way everyone pitched in and worked so hard," Vanderkloot said.

How has the Festival affected the community?

Mayor Willett said the Festival is a wonderful and continuous program for the community.

"This function is making Birmingham a center of arts in the area," the Mayor added.

Averill said the Festival is a strong influence in changing Birmingham from a dormitory suburb to a town where people sleep and eat but work in another area, to a living community.

"The Festival is creating an interest in the community," Averill added.

AND WHAT ABOUT the future? What could be done or will be done to change the Festival?

Thom said it may be moved out of Shain Park to a local school yard, due to the excessive grass damage this year.

Mayor Willett commented that the Festival would lose a lot of atmosphere if it were moved out from its present site.

SCHEDULED AS an average-length concert, the program was drawn out periodically by long sessions of performance on an amplified harmonica and guitar.

EACH ARTIST asked if he could return for the '61 festival—if there is one?

"You bet!" was Birmingham's reply.

Business Assessment Tax Relief Still Alive

The "off-again" federal decision regarding deductibility of parking lot assessments from business income taxes is "on-again," The Birmingham Eccentric learned this week from authoritative sources.

The Detroit office of the department of the deductibility of assessments are presently being reviewed by the internal revenue service and a ruling will be published concerning this subject in the near future," the spokesman said.

THEN ONLY a month ago (in May) the Washington office of the bureau reversed the Detroit opinion.

This spurred Congressman William S. Bromfield to promise to introduce corrective legislation if the revenue department refuses to allow deductions for parking lot assessments.

Political Pressure's On S'field

By JULIE CANDLER
Staff Writer

Detroit will start treating sewage from the Evergreen and Farmington interceptors only if it gets an "iron-clad" guarantee from the Oakland county board of supervisors that the South Oakland main will be built, DPW commissioner Glenn C. Richards told The Birmingham Eccentric Wednesday.

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Sandburg: A Fitting Conclusion

See Pictures on Pages 5-C, 2-A
By AL SANDNER
Staff Writer

The atmosphere was crystal clear and the golden early evening sunlight that flooded Cranbrook stadium spilled over the Grecian roof-lines of the gymnasium and statues of Discobolus and Hermes.

The picture was timeless—as was the wisdom that thousands had gathered there to hear.

CARL SANDBURG, poet, historian, biographer, balladeer, philosopher was about to speak to an eagerly awaiting crowd of approximately 2,000 Sunday evening.

The "Evening with Carl Sandburg" sold out weeks in advance—was the closing event of the Birmingham Arts Festival.

He observed earlier during his two-day stay here, that Birmingham is an art center. "And the festival is consistent with the community interest" he said.

The venerable old man who strode across the bright green carpet he had been selected to read or recite, preparing to flatter a large group of truth-tellers.

AND IT WAS the all-American 20th century wise man who took the stage to appraise life as we live it.

The sharp bite of his razor-keen insight and frankness were softened by a gentle sense of humor.

Sandburg's talk and ideas seemed to be a distillation of all the wisdom that has preceded him.

He was introduced by Paul N. Averill, president of the Bloomfield Art Association, who reminded his audience that the speaker had spent 82 years preparing tonight's presentation.

Talks to Precede Ban on Parking Along US-10 Here

Before they order a no-parking ban into effect along US-10, Birmingham city commission will hold a long-scheduled meeting with affected property owners.

Date of the meeting will await review facts which are being updated by the city plan and police departments.

Commissioners this week were ready to order the ban immediately. But it was discovered in official city minutes that a meeting was to be held first between city and businessmen.

ON NOV. 10, 1958, the commission decided the ban would become effective in two years. Meanwhile, money would be given to affected properties to install access drives.

At that meeting it was also agreed there would be a meeting of city and businessmen to outline the problem and the solution.

Traffic hazards of on-shoulder parking have been of great concern both to city and state for more than 10 years.

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