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This and That

By George R. Averill

President Eisenhower wants our nation to become, in a legal sense, a ward of the World Court. He asks Congress to repeal the annual reservation which allows the U.S. itself to determine what U.S. interests may be handled by the court. Personally, I heartily disagree with the on this subject, with millions of Americans. In this attitude I recall that I'm only following the urging of an early American named George Washington, too.

Another school year has declared itself present, holding its affectionate arms out to enfold the nation's young. For nine months millions of pupils will be subject to the influence of hundreds of thousands of teachers; the status of youth a year hence will be the result not only of the educational world—perhaps it will more represent the precepts and examples that youth finds in the homes that shelter them. Parents, then, play a greater part in the fashioning of their generation... don't you think?

The late Dr. Townsend lived to see a good deal of his welfare ideas enacted into law. He wanted the federal government to print new money, give it to needy people who were supposed to spend it. (See THIS & THAT, 3-A)

Toledo Firm Buys Greenfield Chain

Change in the ownership of the six-restaurant chain of Greenfield-Mills eating places, one of which was opened in Birmingham in 1907, was announced yesterday by Winifred Eliason, president. The new owner is the Gladieux Corp., a Toledo, O., food service company. "There has been a change in ownership only," she said. "No changes in management are expected." Arthur R. Fly is manager of the Birmingham establishment, which is one of this area's show-places, having cost more than \$1,000,000 to build and equip. The change, The Eccentric learned, was necessitated because of the need to settle certain corporate financial obligations relating to the estate of the late J. Jay Lawrence, one of Greenfield-Mills late stockholders.

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Efforts on the part of many cultural groups to reach mankind to strive to be honest, decent, ethical in public and private life have been forested that pull society toward more civilized status. It is, however, a sad and gloomy environment that is created when political campaigns reveal various candidates calling one another liars, distorters of the truth, etc.

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SECTION A



The Month's Top
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Of E Approves \$5 1/2 Million Budget

The Birmingham board of education Tuesday night adopted a \$5,653,310.97 budget for the 1960-61 school year.

A record \$3.67 per cent of the total operating expenses of the Birmingham schools will go into salaries. Recommendations by Superintendent Otis M. Dickey for appropriations include salary increases for teachers as approved by the board following voter approval of the 1.9 mill levy last June. He carefully prepared and represents careful weighing of available facts and concern for the city's taxpayers. "We are pleased that the board's decision to lower the debt levy from 8.5 mills to 7.2 mills was the building of debt budget of \$1,663,213.27 for the current year.

Noting that this budget can be met with the current tax apportionment, Kathryn Loomis, board president, said, "We are pleased that the board's decision to lower the debt levy from 8.5 mills to 7.2 mills was the building of debt budget of \$1,663,213.27 for the current year.

IN ADDITION to the \$4,729,829 planned for salaries, \$323,916.71 for fuel, utilities, insurance, and interest on the annual short term bond.

"This means," continued Dickey, "since almost 90 per cent of our budget is committed to attracting and holding good teachers and to certain relatively fixed expenses, any flexibility lies within the remaining 10 per cent of our budget."

OF THE REMAINING 10.6 per cent of the budget, 4.9 per cent will be used for the purchase of new equipment. The balance of \$466,000, or 5 per cent, will be used for a variety of expenditures such as office supplies, textbooks, libraries and other instructional expense. Operating supplies and expenses will require 1.5 per cent or \$76,023.19, while \$108,260 or 1.9 per cent is allocated for upkeep of buildings, grounds and equipment.

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Consecration Rite Set Oct. 27 for Rev. DeWitt

The Rev. Robert L. DeWitt, former rector of Christ Church Cranbrook, will be consecrated a junior suffragan bishop of the Episcopal church Oct. 27 at the Cathedral church of St. Paul, Detroit.

The Rt. Rev. Arthur Liebenberg, presiding bishop, will officiate at the ceremony. Co-consecrators will be the Rt. Rev. Angus Dun, bishop of Washington, D. C. and the Rt. Rev. Norman Nash, retired bishop of Massachusetts.

Rev. Richard J. Enrich of the diocese of Michigan will also participate. The consecration service will be carried by WXYZ-TV from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in a live telecast direct from the cathedral.

MR. DEWITT, rector at the Bloomfield Hills church since 1948, was born in Massachusetts in 1916. He is a 1937 graduate of Amherst college and holds a bachelor of divinity degree from the Episcopal cathedral school.

Ordained in 1941, he served first as curate, Christ Church Cranbrook and then spent four years at St. Luke's, Ypsilanti.

He is married and has five children.

COMMENTING on the changes he expects to encounter, Bishop DeWitt remarked, "I know that I will be on the road traveling more and more, but I am getting to know the clergy and laity of my district. I will be doing a lot of listening in the months ahead."

"I must admit," he concluded, "that I will miss the people of Cranbrook; the way they have worked with me in the years has been out of this world."

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Civic Groups Expect 6,000 For Halloween

An estimated 6,000 children are expected to attend the annual Halloween party and parade planned for Oct. 31 by Birmingham clubs and service groups. The party will be held at the area constructively and safely occupied on trip or treat night, the program includes a parade, games, music and food for youngsters, entertainment and refreshments for junior and senior citizens, and a dance for high school students.

General chairman Harold M. Kalbfleisch will assist by several captains, school principals and residents.

DON MARTIN, recreation director, will be parade marshal. Rollie Reese, boardmaster, will assist in supervision and Hugo Koloff, electrical contractor, is in charge of special lighting.

Clarence Kraft, Rotary president, will purchase supplies for the parties; Owen Manchester, Birmingham YMCA secretary, is handling the ticket and publicity committee, and Richard Ernst, Rotary club member, is coordinating school activities. General coordinating is being done by the Birmingham chamber of commerce.

Now in its 23rd year, the Halloween program is designed to keep malicious destruction and nuisances to a minimum, according to officials of the event.

\$50,000 Collected In Advance Gifts Unit of UF Drive

Advance gifts in the Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin division of the United Fund today total \$50,582, according to Mrs. Margy Heib, staff director, Oakland county office. The local drive is one of 150 units in the United States.

This amounted to 67 per cent collection of the \$75,028 goal for this division.

Actual canvassing for this year's Torch Drive started Tuesday of this week. The local division goal is \$171,500.

The MacMANUS, John & Adams advertising agency reported that its employees were given last Friday afternoon off from work for 100 per cent collection of their quota.

Leaders of the advance gifts section, co-chairman Mrs. Theodore O'Brien, co-chairman of the Torch Drive, Mrs. C. Ward, Mrs. John F. Gordon, chairman, women's league, Mrs. Don E. Ahrens, Mrs. Howard B. Barker, Mrs. Edwin A. Tomlinson, assistants to Mrs. Gordon; and R. Jamison Williams, chairman of the men's team.

Working with them are a host of volunteer solicitors.

B'ham Jaycees To Sell Pumpkins

Birmingham Jaycees will sell pumpkins this weekend and next from door to door in the city and at a stand at Cranbrook and Maple roads.

George Thomas and E. Gerry Dudley are co-chairmen of the sale that will benefit charity. The Jaycees will sell pumpkins from tractors that will be decorated with jack-o-lanterns through residential areas. The stand at Cranbrook and Maple will be open from noon to 5 p.m.

Andre Maurois Speaks Today In Birmingham

French literary genius Andre Maurois is here to speak at Birmingham Town Hall at 11 a.m. today and tomorrow.

Speaking on "Can People Understand Each Other?" he will be introduced today by Chancellor D. E. Varner of Michigan State University, Oakland. Guests at the speaker's table at a celebrity luncheon following will include Mrs. Varner, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Barnes, Mrs. Donald and hostesses Mrs. Lowell Eklund, Dr. Hugh Salter and hostess, Mrs. Ralph A. Maxwell.

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth H. Gass will introduce the speaker. Friday Speaker's table guests will be Mrs. Jesse Pitts, Wife Fine Arts Director and Mrs. Carl Haas, Mrs. and Mrs. Francis P. Tafoya, Mrs. Donald and hostesses Mrs. Owen L. Luckenbach.

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Romney Re-elected Citizens' Chairman

George Romney, president of American Motors and a Bloomfield Hills resident, has been re-elected as chairman of the Citizens for Michigan.

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The dinner will be at 7 p.m. at the Birmingham community house.

Murphy, former president of the Screen Actors' guild and chairman of the Celebrities for Nixon and (See MURPHY, 2-A)

Spelling, We Know; Pronunciation, No

Ever seen any Craspeducasta sowens? Eh, how's that again? Craspeducasta sowenii — fresh water jelly fish.

They're on display in the museum of natural history at the Cranbrook Institute of Science.

But if you want to see them, you'll have to hurry as scientists expect them to live only about one more week.

They're one inch in diameter and come from the limestone quarry. They're in a small aquarium at Cranbrook.

All makes of inner spring mattresses repaired. One-day service. ROYAL MATTRESS Co., 1010 1/2 East 10th St., Birmingham, Ala. (47)



F-86D Sabre jet, towed from Selfridge air base to Birmingham this week, will be placed in Eton Park for enjoyment

Our Jet Arrives Placed in Eton Park for Kids

By KEN WEAVER
News Editor

"Go fly a jet." That's what Birmingham mothers can tell their children today.

Not necessarily to admonish them. Nor to get them out of their hair.

But to let them use their imagination and make-believe they're flying a jet—in Eton park.

There's one there, a gift from the U. S. Air Force. It was towed from Selfridge air base to Birmingham Tuesday and Wednesday.

The craft, a \$1,000,000 F-86D, radar-equipped, all-weather plane, was towed into Eton park for enjoyment and arms, by the Birmingham city clerk's office.

SIX PEOPLE, a small tractor from Springdale park, a which truck and a pickup truck loaded with tools were used for the operation.

State Police cleared traffic as the plane moved out of Selfridge to Eton, thence to M-59 and west to Adams, south to Lincoln and east to Eton park.

"I don't encounter too many obstacles," said Harvey Rasch, assistant superintendent of parks, who piloted the plane. He sat in the cockpit shouting orders to the crew via megaphone.

An underpass just west of Ulica proved the major stumbling block.

of local youngsters. Sabre jets, now obsolete, were used in the Korean conflict.

The tail was too high to pass under. So, we lifted the front end up to get the tail down and then hid it through," said Rasch.

THE PLANE is 39 feet wide from wing tip to wing tip, so a few men boxes had to be moved. However, the craft has brakes for two wheels, one on each side; and those were used to help maneuver around mail boxes and signs.

Only damage sustained was a broken light in the tip of the right wing.

Before the Sabre jet became obsolete, it flew faster than the speed of sound. But on this journey, it averaged about three miles per hour.

OBSERVING STATE Police rules, the forestry department crew pulled the jet of the road before 9:30 p.m. Tuesday and parked it in the lot of a vacant gas station about two miles west of Ulica.

And Gale spent the night "piano sitting." He slept in a sleeping bag in one of the jet's openings.

The jet was left everything it Wednesday morning, and the crew expected to reach Birmingham by early afternoon.

Others assisting in the operation were Art Fitch, who drove the tractor, William Sutton, William Nierert and Huey Laill, all of the forestry department.

ON ORDERS of the Air Force, the plane's insignia were removed before it left Selfridge; but the Norman Lytle AF Reserve squadron, sponsors of the project, are expected to restore them.

"We want to keep the plane as nice as possible," said Rasch, "and let the kids get some play out of it."

Steps will be placed around the plane so youngsters can climb over the hull with ease. Sand will be placed in the nose, to stabilize the plane.

The gift was accepted by the Birmingham city commission in January. Leading efforts to obtain it was Robert G. Salsman, commander of the Norman Lytle squadron.

Who's To Judge 'Homemaking'?

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series on the home economics program in seventh, eighth and ninth grades of Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Southfield schools, how and why they are taught.

By JULIE CANDLER
Staff Writer

Parents who question their children's schooling, like some Birmingham parents who criticize "homemaking," usually feel like patients trying to diagnose for the doctors. It's really not in their province to judge, they keep telling themselves.

Even Dr. James B. Conant, who is serving as chairman of the Home Economics Advisory Council, recently called scrutiny of the content of junior high school courses "at least," a hopeless undertaking.

Yet these are problems primarily of the professional to handle," says Dr. Conant.

But any parent who is interested in his child's education can hardly avoid becoming an amateur evaluator of the subject matter placed before his youngsters.

THE ARMCHAIR critics find it especially easy to find fault with an error-ridden subject like homemaking. Every mother is a homemaker, and she doesn't like the standard recipe or the dishwashing method the school is teaching her daughter, she can become vocal about it.

In last week's article in this series, we summarized the teaching of "homemaking" in Birmingham junior high schools.

This week, for the benefit of critics and supporters of the teaching of "homemaking," we continue with the school's treatment of the subjects of sewing and "all-purpose" cooking.

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mas she makes holiday centerpieces, cooking gifts such as woolies, embroidered hand towels and plate mats.

She studies eighth through 12th grade courses cover every phase of being a homemaker, from interior decoration to the "give and take" necessary in marriage, and baby care.

The purpose of it all, as the homemaking schedule states, is "to develop the appreciations, attitudes and skills necessary for successful participation in family life at this pre-adult and adolescent age."

TO WHICH Dr. Conant seemed to agree in his recently-issued report, when he said that "all girls should receive instruction in home economics."

He states in his latest report that a girl should not be considered properly educated by the public schools until she has had "an introduction to food and nutrition, clothing, child care, and consumer education."

But even Dr. Conant has his doubts. He says that "Basic Education thinks it allows for too many soft courses."

EDUCATIONAL iconoclast Dr. Robert Maynard Hutchins says of objectives set for the Birmingham schools for girls who study homemaking, "It will again review reasons for the course, and homemaking, as told by local teachers, and will give some comments from both Birmingham homemaker students and their parents, about the course's value."

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Applications Due Saturday, Nov. 5 For Absentee Vote

Absentee voters have until 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 to return applications to the Birmingham city clerk's office in order to qualify for voting in the Nov. 8 election.

Persons who return the application before the deadline will be given or mailed a ballot.

The ballot must be returned to the clerk's office by 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8. Officials from the clerk's office will go to the post office just before polls close to pick up any ballots that arrived after the daily deadline.

Ballots received after 8 p.m. will not be valid.