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Candidates Tell All

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This and That

by George R. Averill

Student Material Determines Final University Status

Last week in this column I passed on to you a few of my observations about the University of Michigan, occasioned by my attendance at the March meeting of its Board of Regents. This educational institution, recognized as one of this earth's top places where knowledge is available to its roster of 25,000 students, currently will spend a hundred million dollars this year—all of it directed toward trying to help get its quota of human beings to become acquainted with, and then practice, those specialties of "know-how" that distinguish some people from the barbarians. This job is perpetual in its demands. It is, of course, costly, too. However, its cost, when compared to the potential it may achieve, is worth every cent it spends. . . . indeed, were more of its beneficiaries to become adults, it would be the cultures campuses provide, maybe society would be willing to dig nearly as deep for its support as it does for some of its deleterious recreational pursuits.

BUT ENOUGH of this: let me give you a few important facts pertaining to the U. M. I am indebted to Mrs. Irene E. Murphy, who lives here at 444 Bonnie Briar, and is the only woman Regent on the U. of M. Board, for some of what follows. Of that hundred million dollars, the State of Michigan's general fund provides 25 million; the federal government gives something more than 25 million, for such projects as research for the military establishment of the nation, researching in nuclear physics, health and mental problems, plus numerous allied subjects. Students fees bring in 10 million dollars, and a like amount is received in the University's hospital services. Ten million come from football and other athletic games. Private industry and business make research demands on the University's scientists and laboratories. (See THIS & THAT, 8-A.)

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Most men, and many women, if they loved a goodly number of years, may look forward to a day when they can quit work, travel, take it easy, have no vocations, worries, and enjoy other similar times of ease. Yet, when retirement does come, and even though finance may be no problem, many people find they have entered something akin to "the Kingdom of Boredom." They are not happy; life demands challenges.

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Candidates

While Birmingham's absentee ballots are above average according to City Clerk Irene Hanley, Bloomfield's are as heavy as they were in the presidential election according to City Clerk Robert Stadler.

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Pupils Egged On, Get Easter Chicks

With such items as feed and fertilized eggs. Then you plug in the incubator. And like a mother hen, you sit and wait for 21 days. When the scrawny chicks emerge, they look as if some cook had salted, peppered and stewed them.

Then you leave them in the incubator for several hours. When active and fluffy, transfer to a glass aquarium with a light for warmth. Avoid overhanding.

Optional in the process is cracking open the eggs after varied periods of incubation to study the embryo's development. The Pierce pupils pecked inside their eggs on the 15th day of incubation.

After that, the pupils didn't have the heart or stomach to arrest any more embryos in their development. The removed embryos were placed in jars of formaldehyde. They occupy a prominent place beside the incubator, where the partially-developed chicks glare at the youngsters who might believe that one about the work.

There's ONE aspect of chick-raising that Miss Muntan and her pupils cannot tell you how to do. It's this: what do you do when the May comes that you have 6 matinee hens and roosters instead of chicks? Miss Muntan doesn't know what they're going to do with them. The class's chickens may come home to roost.

Dickey Announces Community-Wide Education Confab

Otis M. Dickey, superintendent of Birmingham schools, has announced plans for a planning conference to be held April 3-7, which will involve nearly 200 members of the community, the board of education, the school staffs, and outside agencies.

The Council feels that such an exchange of ideas is essential in making the sound decisions and recommendations for which it is responsible. He announced the theme as "The Needs and Challenge to Continue Educational Improvement."

The opening general session on Monday evening, April 3, will be based upon the theme "The Challenge to Educational Leadership." The session will be presided over by Mrs. Kathryn Loomis, board of

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SECTION A

Serving the Citizens of Michigan's Finest Suburban Residential Area

Signs Indicate Record Turnouts

By LES LANGLOIS City Editor

See stated story 1-B, table 3-A Candidates and issues await the manipulation of voting machines in Monday's spring election in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills.

With 156 of 14,801 registered voters in Birmingham and 114 of 499 in Bloomfield Hills absentee ballots as of Tuesday, the election appears to have generated considerable interest.

Both officials attribute the growing interest to the Con-Con question. The two classes of nine and ten-year-old pupils think their achievements is something to crow about. They're happy to explain how it done.

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Policeman Wins Trip to Caribbean

By KEN WEAVER News Editor

Five cents. One lead nickel. Or, as author Harry Golden probably would say, "for five cents plain" Richard H. Thompson has won a trip to the Caribbean.

Thompson, a Birmingham policeman, is first place winner in the Birmingham Merchants Travel Contest.

He came within five cents of correctly estimating the value of coins in a treasure chest. The actual amount was \$351.71. His estimate was \$346.76.

That's tremendous," a happy Thompson declared. "I still can't get over the idea that I'm going."

SECOND PLACE winner is nine-year-old Dirk Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Anderson, 759 Hazelwood, Birmingham. He came within two cents of an estimated \$351.83.

THOMSON SUBMITTED his winning entry at the Village Sport and Hobby Shop.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Birmingham's once a tive sewage disposal plant stands idle. A local organization devoted to convert it to a community art center.

Civil War Series Holds Interest for Both Young, Old Young people will learn the full, fascinating story of the Civil War with ease in a series of weekly lectures.

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EXAMINING those committees in their everyday roles gives a better idea of the BAA's workings. Men, women and children—an estimated 400 of them in the last year—have participated in the BAA's activities.

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Child Clinic Branch Here To Stay Open

Birmingham's branch of the Oakland Child Guidance Clinic, scheduled for closing April 11, will remain open at least until April 11.

And chances appeared good today that it will remain open permanently.

Dr. William J. Westman, president, said the clinic's board of directors have decided to keep the local branch open until the County Board of Supervisors' Annual budget meeting April 11.

There is some indication, Westman said, that their decision will be favorable.

"We feel more optimistic than we did, although no promise has been made. But we had an encouragement from individual supervisors."

THE CLINIC will be able to keep the local branch open with funds from an advance granted by supervisors after a closing date of March 1 had been scheduled.

They requested a deficiency appropriation of \$27,000 to continue operating this year and asked for a budget of \$67,000 for next year. Their requests were taken under advisement.

MAIN OUTCOME of this meeting was a decision to appoint a special committee to evaluate the clinic's program and to try to chart its future.

This committee, to be appointed by Board of Supervisors Chairman Delos H. LeVinson, will investigate the possibility of the clinic's becoming a county or state department.

It is study is to be completed by Sept. 30.

WAYS and Means committee members announced that they requested were: Arvo Levinson, Birmingham; David L. Hoyle, Bloomfield Hills; Fredrickson, Birmingham; Pontiac; Frank J. Voll, Sr., Oakland Township; John L. Carey, Sterling Township; and Harry W. Horton, Royal Oak.

SAID LEVINSON in his opening statement to evaluate the clinic's program and to try to chart its future.

"Contrary to what the public seems to believe, this is the first time the clinic's financial problem has come before the Ways and Means Committee."

"We at the clinic take our full share of responsibility for this lack of communication."

Horton commented: "We feel that when we are spending tax money, we should have some control over its expenditure. We should have some say about the clinic's budget and personnel."

"I think we should, if we expand our support. . . . Sooner or later, I feel, the county should take the clinic over and make it a part of a county department."

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This Door Has Color-And a Message

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Beginning and advanced artists have been tutored in painting and drawing, etching, sculpture, jewelry, dance, drama and studio art.

A Saturday Young People's Workshop program, art exhibits are also run by the education committee.

THE PROGRAM department of the BAA plans exhibits, usually each month, and correlates them with movies, panel discussions, demonstrations or lectures.

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