

Tot's Theater Season Begins

Life will be given to the Steadfast Tin Soldier, Lisa, the beautiful dancing doll, Teddy Bears and Jack-in-the-Boxes as the Children's Theatre of AAUW begins its 19th season of plays for children.

Members of the group will present their first play, "The Steadfast Tin Soldier," directed by Mrs. Robert Henry, on Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The two other plays of this series will be presented by other children's theater groups — the Bruce Millan Theater Group and the Wayne State University Theater Group. They will bring to the Birmingham Theater, "The Invisible Indian Chief" and "The Emperor's New Clothes" respectively on other school vacations.

SEASON TICKETS for the three plays may be purchased in the first through fifth grades in the Birmingham and Bloomfield schools on Tuesday, Oct. 2. Season tickets may also be purchased at Grinnell's and at the box office of the Birmingham Theater on the day of the play.

Final plans for the play were made at the annual fall tea at the home of Mrs. Robert Henry last week. Mrs. Michael Romondino and Mrs. James Slayden, co-chairmen, poured for the occasion.

Teachers to Attend Regional Conference

More than 16,000 metropolitan area teachers will get a look at "The New Image of the Teacher" at the Michigan Education Association regional conference at Cobb Hall, Oct. 11-12.

Area schools will be closed during the two-day teachers institute to permit educators to participate in a program set up to present new teaching methods and techniques to the teachers.

Max Lerner, author, journalist, teacher and columnist for the New York Post, will address the teachers at a general assembly on Oct. 11 on "Education and the Image of Man."

the teachers in a speech entitled, "Your Image—What Is It?"

DIRECTOR of the conference is Cecil C. Elmore, assistant executive secretary of the MEA.

Teachers will attend some 97 group meetings relating to special problems of education and various meetings on the subjects they teach.

A highlight of the conference will be an aerospace and science program. Navy and Air Force personnel will discuss their role in the United States aerospace program.

Special tours will be made to areas of interest.

Other group meetings will cover such topics as international under-

B'ham Man Named U of D Professor In Architecture

Jerzy Staniszkis, 48, of 1750 Granfield Drive, Birmingham, was recently named an associate professor of architecture in the University of Detroit College of Engineering and Architecture by the Very Rev. Laurence V. Britz, S.J., U. of D. president.

Staniszkis, a native of Poland, holds a degree from the Warsaw Polytechnic University, at the State University of Plastic Art in Poznan and at the University of Baghdad.

Staniszkis and his wife, Maria, have two children.

Cranbrook Classes

Applications are being taken for a new evening class for adults in drawing and painting at Cranbrook Academy of Art Galleries meeting from 8 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday evenings for 10 weeks, beginning Oct. 9. Media will consist primarily of charcoal, collage and aqueous materials.

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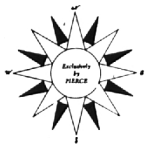


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Book

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Of these millions of baseball fans, a lesser number (I would imagine) would be interested in the behavior of a man named Veeck about which Veeck writes—as he took over as president-owner of the Milwaukee minor league club, and major league clubs in St. Louis, Cleveland and Chicago in the American League.

NO OTHER person has owned so many baseball clubs. He won pennants with the Milwaukee, Cleveland and Chicago clubs, all discussed entertainingly in the book.

To the million of persons not addicted to sports, and who care little about 350 hitters, the book is exciting in that Veeck has the knack of being humorous, and effective, with situations and intrigue that often were not humorous. He does not linger, or waste words.

FROM THE time he opens the book by being the first baseball club owner to send a midget to bat (against our own Detroit Tigers), to his final prediction of returning to baseball (having recovered from his most serious illness), Veeck spins countless numbers of stories with baseball as their common denominator.

Veeck admits a championship team transcends everything. But, he lists this item behind those of giving his fans a lot of fun and a lot of entertainment (which he explains in good detail) and making 500 speeches a year. From this, alone, one receives an insight into Veeck as president-owner, running the show in his various and delightful styles.

WHILE MY acquaintance with Veeck would not be (by comparison with incidents in his book) a close one, an occasion in 1959 portrays to me the theme that permeates Veeck's philosophy: that in baseball is where you find it—with the players, the fans, the hotdogs, pop and entertainment attendant to a good, relaxing time.

It was around 11 a.m. on the day of the second World Series game in Chicago. One of our best ticket clients at the Pistons discovered his two World Series tickets for good Chicago customers had not been mailed from Detroit.

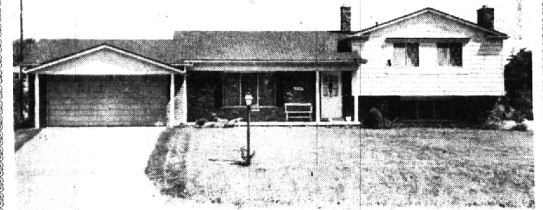
OUR DETROIT client contacted us for aid. A simple long-distance call to Comiskey Park found Veeck on the telephone immediately.

We explained, giving Veeck the seat locations. On Veeck's instruction, the two Chicago customers were shown to a certain gate where Veeck directed them to their seats. We mailed the tickets to Veeck, afterwards.

No baseball game was too big, or too small, for Veeck's personal attention.

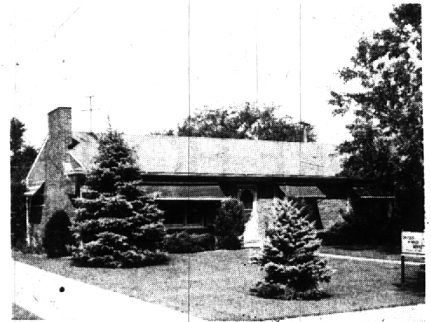
I WAS NOT among the first to read his book. I had first discussed it with reporters the country over. While it is the type of book sport reporters would hold in reverence, it is a book whose anecdotes, stories, humor, history, fact, pathos and fiction, I suppose—would prove entertaining to anyone.

VARIETY

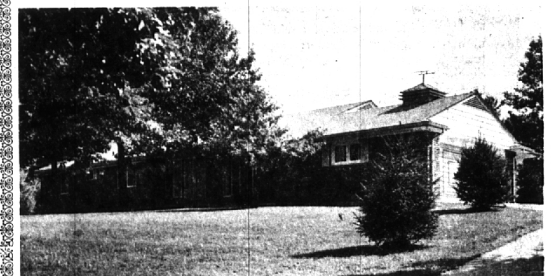


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