

This and That

by George R. Averill

Italy Holds Much to Prove Herself a Center of Art

Rome, Italy: To attempt to write anything approaching an article covering, even partially, the past, present and future tendencies of the most interesting part of our world would require too much space and perhaps more time than you are willing to give to the subject. But to the inquiring mind of a newspaperman there are certain dominating facts that do offer a theme for a travel story—and plenty of them are part of the historical and contemporary fabric of Italy.

Here, on this 700-mile long peninsula (about the size of Arizona) the projects into the Mediterranean sea (including the islands of Sicily and Sardinia), 500 years before the birth of Christ came the ancient Greeks. In Italy the Greeks had established their own civic, industrial, agricultural and artistic patterns. These they "planted" in what is now Italy, especially its southern half.

BET CRACKDOWN BRINGS ARREST OF CD CHIEF
SOUTHFIELD—Louis J. Angelo, chief of the Detroit Civil Defense Office, and his nephew, both residents of Southfield, were arrested by federal agents Saturday in a crackdown on a betting ring. Angelo was released on a personal bond of \$5,000, while his nephew was held in lieu of \$10,000.

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Volunteers to Assist B'ham YMCA Drive
William E. Roberts, chairman of the executive committee for the Birmingham YMCA Capital Campaign, today announced several of the volunteers enlisted in the campaign organization. Roberts has recruited Mrs. C. Howard Willett, Jr., Charles Adams and Dr. Harry Lichtwardt to serve with him as vice chairmen on the executive committee.

First Citizens League Award Goes to Women Voters Unit
The Oakland County League of Women Voters will be the first to receive an annual award from the Oakland Citizens League award for an outstanding nonpartisan contribution toward good government. The award will be presented May 16 at the nonpartisan Oakland Citizens League's annual dinner.

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At last all of Springdale Park Golf Course is within the Birmingham city limits. Birmingham Mayor Pro Tem Robert Page (right) was one of the Michigan city and county officials who met in Washington May 3 with federal agency officials at a conference called by U. S. Sen. Philip A. Hart (D, Mich.).

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THE BIRMINGHAM program is carried out during the dormant season which is in accordance with the recommendations of the Cranbrook Institute and the Detroit Audubon Society, Middlewood said. "This year due to weather conditions we had to continue to spray beyond the recommended date of April 15," he said. He noted, however, that next year the City would try to finish earlier. "Our DDT program, I was recently informed by Mr. Walter Nichol of Cranbrook, would not be as detrimental as using any other material on the market," Middlewood said. The forestry chief said he had great faith in Nichol's opinions. MIDDLEWOOD said that Birmingham's program of spraying is effective. "With approximately 7,000 street and park elms, our losses in 1961 were 24 trees, and in 1962, 26 trees," he said. "It is an indication that our program is much more effective than even the programs which are carried out on private property, which are still well below the one per cent annual loss which is considered excellent control," he said. Middlewood said he would be glad to meet with the McKensies family personally anytime to go into the problems in more detail.



A First for Mayor
Mayor William H. Burgum (left) of Birmingham gets set to throw out the first ball at opening night of the Pony Baseball League Recreation Director's office. Don Martin stands by, ready to assist if needed. The pre-season ceremonies were conducted Monday night at St. James Field prior to the battle between the Wildcats and Longhorns.

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AMERICA HOUSE arrives at Englander's



Today, America House invites you to enjoy its beautiful, new Shop. See the finest hand-made works by American craftsmen... all chosen for presentation by a jury of nationally recognized professional authorities appointed by the American Craftsman's Council. To launch the opening, a special exhibit by Karl Drerup has been brought in, a magnificent of his world famous enamelware. In this teak and color-swept retreat you'll find such treasures as handwoven rugs and pillows by Eileen Avior and Cranbrook's Glen Kaufman, color-splashed ceramics by award-winning Edwin and Mary Scheier, the glowing enamelware of Win Ng. And that's only the beginning of the fascinations awaiting you, many of them first prize winners of international design shows. Sterling silver splendor in a coffee service by Norma Weisner, handsome pewter pieces by Fred Dodson. For the ladies to wear, a brilliant collection of sterling and gold jewelry by, among others, Lichtzin and Blyth. Come explore the vast creativity of the American craftsman sans leaving Birmingham... you'll love every minute of it. And we'll look forward to the privilege of serving you soon and often. Thank you.

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