

Stay Away, Daughter

Brakemen and baggage men all said in 1878 that Birmingham was the worst station on the line for young girls to hang around the depot.

The editors of The Eccentric admonished parents that hanging around the depot was a practice "which mothers and fathers who are desirous of keeping their daughters just what they should be, should put a stop to it at once."

Early colonists of Virginia often used tobacco instead of money. Virginia clergymen at one time were paid a "tobacco salary" of 16,000 pounds a year. The standard fee for conducting a marriage ceremony was 200 pounds; for a funeral service, 400 pounds.

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EVENTS

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ties will get under way with a tour of the historic sites and old homes in Birmingham conducted by the members of the history and heritage committee.

This will be followed by a heritage recognition luncheon at The Community House with the Senior Men's Club and the Senior Women's Club.

Mayor Charles W. Renfrew will present recognition awards in several classifications of longevity.

After the luncheon, dedication ceremonies will take place at the site of the old grist mill at Maple and Baldwin.

Mayor Renfrew will be embedded in the grindstone bearing a brief history of the mill and a poem by Robert Louis Stevenson. Mayor Renfrew will make the dedication.

THE CELEBRATION will reach a peak Saturday with the combined observance of Youth Day and Centennial Day.

Activities will begin early in the morning with the annual Carp Carnival at Quorton Lake starting at 10 a.m.

In the afternoon the scene will shift to the downtown area where the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored parade will get underway at 1:30 p.m.

The 45-minute parade will be followed by a short talk by Gov. Romney in Shain Park.

Following the governor, the Retail Merchants Division of the chamber of commerce will present its annual "Fountain of Fashion Show."

The fashion program will be followed by a 30-minute concert by the 125-member MSU band.

"SUFFRAGETTE '64" will be the title of a day-long symposium sponsored by the Birmingham League of Women Voters on Tuesday, May 26, at The Community House.

Mrs. Romney will be the keynote speaker for the symposium on "Women in Politics."

The centennial period will be climaxed on Memorial Day, Saturday, May 30, with the rededication of the Soldier's Monument.

The eight-ton monument, which was erected in honor of the area's Civil War dead, was recently moved from Greenwood Cemetery to its present location at the northeast corner of the Municipal Building.

A wreath will be placed at the base of the statue by the Charles Edwards American Legion Post.

FRIDAY'S Heritage Day activities

will have special programs and exhibits along the historical theme.

In the afternoon, the church will hold an open house from 2 to 3 p.m. and throughout the week the buildings will be open for visitors.

FROM MONDAY through Saturday, Birmingham's three utility company officers—Michigan Bell Telephone, Detroit Edison and Consumers Power—will have special exhibits.

Coldwater Mayor Olen V. Fry and his party will edge to Birmingham as part of Mayors Exchange Day. Mayor Fry and his party will be guests of the City at a luncheon in The Community House and at a special dinner with commissioners in the evening.

Tuesday's Hospitality Day observance will be handled by the Newcomers Club. Dressed in turn-of-the-century costumes, the club members will serve refreshments and welcome guests to the city at a mall set up at Henrietta St. and Maple Ave.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Senior Men's Club and refreshments will be served from 9:30 to 2:30 p.m.

THE THEME of Wednesday's joint service club luncheon at The Community House is "Birmingham Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

In the afternoon, open house has been scheduled at the various industries in Birmingham.

Thursday's Education Day celebration will be headlined by the opening of an all-student art show at Derby Junior High School. The show will run from Thursday through Sunday.

Also on Thursday, the schools will display the state flag, stage special assemblies and in many of the classrooms teachers will incorporate into the lessons Birmingham and Michigan history.

Many of the classes will take field trips to the area's historical sites.

cost an approximate \$10,000. Exact location of the sculpture and pool has not been determined except that it will be somewhere in the civic center.

This would include the area of the Municipal Building, Baldwin Public Library, Shain Park and The Community House.

Fredericks has said he believed the Birmingham area needed a focal point and that he tried to design something that would be attractive to all ages.

One symbolic meaning for the swan sculpture is that in India love an individual went to eternal life on the back of a swan.

Mrs. G. Howard Willett, Jr., chairman of the Birmingham centennial committee, has backed Fredericks' fountain project for a number of years. She recommended the dedication of the sculpture to the centennial year.

THE REFLECTING POOL will

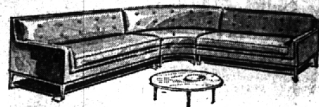
Swan Sculpture To Be Dedicated

City commissioners recently passed a resolution authorizing the expenditure of \$25,000 toward construction of a fountain for Shain Park.

Six wild swans, cast in bronze will comprise the sculpture. The project is expected to take one year, and Fredericks will donate his work, estimated at a cost of \$50,000.

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the contingent from the Charles Edwards American Legion Post in Birmingham-Troy which will place a wreath at the Soldier's Monument at the Birmingham Municipal Building on Memorial Day.

PUBLICITY AND public relations for the Centennial is under the direction of Audrey Marriner. Special features have been written by Joe Vaughn, Mrs. S. L. D. White and Linda LaFavre. Julie Candler is handling photography.

Other residents taking an active role in the Centennial are Carl Barton, financial chairman; Ward Ouradnik, Citizens Action Committee; Robert Bender, Bloomfield Art Association liaison; and Ken Weaver, The Eccentric Centennial liaison.



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