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Potpourri
By JULIE CANDLER
Special Writer

The humans are striking back in the war against automation. Details of the underground movement, hatched backstage at The Village Players, are beginning to spread. One of its originators is Jim Hodges, 1334 Fairview, and he ought to know. He's a PERT expert at LTV-Michigan which, translated as best the lay person can, means Program Evaluation Review Technique. The process is achieved by conversation with those present-day dinosaurs, the electronic brains.

HODGES' CREWS feed the monster the firm's work plans for years ahead. If mere human brain power is less than mechanically perfect, they are likely to get back the peevish prediction that two years from now there will be a delay caused by calculation "A."

Along with Hodges, Bill McCall, 987 Oakland, one of the geniuses who built The Players' complicated lights board, is a co-conspirator.

Why not, they reason, resist the move to reduce all human experience to an IBM card? Your children's school records, your family's census count, income and social security, utility bills—even credit cards—are gradually becoming just a series of holes on a standard card.

SO TAKE THE card and carefully add one more hole to the mystic symbols. Whether you've changed your listed name, address or income, you'll never know.

But think of the holocaust when the maimed cards are fed back to the electronic brains! The Tower of Babel would be a nursery school by comparison.

SHE WENT all the way to the New York World's Fair to have breakfast and lunch with a couple of pier from Bloomfield Hills, and Irene E. Murphy, 444 Bonnie Brier, thinks it's a little ironic.

The vivacious, intelligent Mrs. Murphy told us recently that she would be going to the fair with other members of the University of Michigan Board of Regents. The occasion was Monday's Michigan Day celebration at the fair.

"I'll be having breakfast at the Waldorf-Astoria with Gov. George Romney," said Democrat Murphy, "and luncheon later with Mrs. Romney. And I've never met either one of them!"

"THE THREE choreographers for "Brigadoon" to be given in the Greek Theatre June 4-5-6 and 11-12-13) are staring no effort for the show. Ann (Mrs. Tom) Kelly, Elizabeth Boyne and Jane (Mrs. Sam) Greenwalt have been commuting to Detroit for lessons from a professional expert in the Highland Fling and the Scottish Sword Dance. St. Dunstan's Guild dance experts say there's all the difference in the world in the angle of an arm or the point of a toe. The cast—even the men—is capering like mad to the skirl o' the pipes.

B'ham Man Wins Prize for Picture In Color Contest

A color photograph of the Washington Monument at night taken by a Birmingham man has been chosen as one of 300 prize-winners for exhibition at the New York World's Fair.

Karl Lowe, 915 Pilgrim Road, Birmingham, was awarded a certificate of merit, a silver medallion and a check for \$100 from Eastman Kodak which sponsored the international color contest.

An amateur photographer, he is president of Greenback Industries Inc., 2527 W. Maple Road, Birmingham.

Six million photographs were submitted in the competition. Half of the 300 pictures chosen are being shown at the fair this year; the other half will be on view next year.

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Architect Receives Fellowship Rank at Convention of AIA

Louis G. Redstone will be advanced to fellowship rank in the American Institute of Architects at the institute's annual convention June 18 in St. Louis.

Redstone holds a master's degree in architecture and urban design from Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills.

He is known primarily for commercial projects which locally include Birmingham House Motel and the Bloomfield Township branch of the Manufacturers Bank.

Display Art Work

Three Birmingham residents had their work featured at the Madonna College annual art exhibit Sunday through Tuesday. They are Shirley Jean Steidle, 1360 Humphrey; Mary Anne Stone, 664 N. Adams; and Cheryl Sulewski, 30501 Marimoor.



Words Out of the Past

A 1901 edition of the Buffalo Express & Courier headlining the death of President McKinley is a valued possession of Mrs. Vera Kitching, 568 Ann, Birmingham. Mrs. Kitching, like many local people interested in the past, is an avid collector of antiques and other age-old items.

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