

Relocated 50 Plan Status Uncertain

Robert F. Bevis, Deputy Director of Division 8 of the Highway Dept. announced on October 21st that he "has received unofficial word from a reliable and highly accurate source that the President's Council on Environmental Quality has rejected the highway, Relocated 50 plans."

The Terrace Park Council in June unanimously passed a resolution opposing the proposed corridor alignment of the highway. The Ohio Chapter of the Sierra Club has charged that the announced "unofficial rejection was an attempt to gain support for the chosen corridor, which will severely damage the Little Miami River, particularly in the Terrace Park area." The Washington Office of the Sierra Club has been unable to verify the information released by Bevis. In a letter dated November 4th and sent to Ray Culter of L.M.I., the Department of Transportation indicated they will very likely approve the controversial corridor alignment. There is still no final official word from either the D.O.T. or the President's Council. If the corridor alignment is approved it is certain to be the subject of court action.

Bevis further reported that all work on the project will cease pending official notification. Dave Lauridson of Division 8 stated on November 9th that "word of the unofficial rejection was received by a division engineer who was telephoned by a friend with the office of the Federal Highway Administration. The call informed us that the journalized corridor had been rejected."

A delegation of the Sierra Club had travelled to Washington on September 27th to lodge a formal protest with federal agencies and had submitted a forty page legal brief. The document points to the "failure of the Highway Dept.: to define its role under federal guidelines; provide an objective forum for citizen reaction; totally assess environmental impact; to consider changes in outmoded plans for Relocated 50 in light of the Appalachian Highway; to consider other viable alternatives; and to assess historical significance." The Sierra Club is prepared to take the question to court if the Highway Dept. persists with the current plan for Relocated 50. Little Miami, Inc., the League of Women Voters and other groups, also, oppose the project.

L.M.I. Meeting

Latest developments with respect to Relocated 50 were discussed at the L.M.I. November 2nd meeting in Mariemont. Ray Cadwallader revealed efforts being made by the Inter-Parish Task Group reported in Council news elsewhere in VILLAGE VIEWS. The in-stream gravel operation just west of Terrace Park was discussed at length. Violations of the zoning permit have been found and were forwarded to the Hamilton County Commissioners. On November 3rd the Commissioners voted to direct the County Prosecutor to issue a "cease and desist" order. Terrace Park Council has previously been involved in litigation over this gravel operation.

New Dimensions in Annexation Decision

Another dimension has been added to Council's considerations regarding annexation of the area to the west of the village. At its last meeting, November 9, Ray Cadwallader brought out some new information regarding part of the land under study.

Briefly, it is that the Inter-Parish Housing Task Group is holding conversations with various groups to work out a way to relocate the families living in the housing owned by E. Tex Bennin. Seven acres are for sale and in addition to the housing, much of which is considered substandard, is the Ex Cafe. It is probable that federal funds could be obtained to help fund the project.

Council members grappled with the problems and possibilities of how this would

affect Terrace Park. Implementing a total program would involve many groups, private and governmental, in addition to Terrace Park Council. An important step, however, could be annexation to the corporation. A special meeting has been called for November 16 to meet with all groups involved. Results will be reported in the December Village Views.

In other business, Finance Chairman Dick Feldon presented the proposed 1972 budget and an extensive study of future village budgetary projections to council members. The budget has to be approved by January 1, 1972.

Mr. Feldon also suggested that the \$32,475 received from inheritance taxes in the past two years be transferred to the Improvement Fund with a large portion to be

reserved for purchase of a new fire engine. The village will need to replace both pieces of fire equipment by 1980 and 1984.

Council approved the engineering drawings prepared by Mayor Lindell for the widening and other improvements of Indian Hill Road. Janet Decker reported on a meeting she and the Mayor had attended concerning scenic designation for the Little Miami River.

Council passed an ordinance to buy a 1972 Plymouth Fury for the Police Department. Delivery will be early next year.

During the past month, members of the Safety Committee toured several local police facilities to get ideas for determining what improvements might reasonably be made to our police department space. Further



Christmas House Tour

The Terrace Park Garden Club Christmas House Tour will be held on Sunday, December 12. Homes may be visited between 2-4:30 and 7-9 p.m. Mrs. Edward Ritchie and Mrs. Robert Leming are co-chairmen of the tour.

Advanced tickets priced at \$1 may be purchased from the ticket chairman, Mrs. Milton Sprau or any Garden Club member. Tickets purchased the day of the tour cost \$1.25 and may be purchased at the Community House or any of the following homes on the tour:

Mr. & Mrs. Dan Watkins, 115 Red Bird Lane;
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Mr. & Mrs. Gayle Taylor, 702 Floral Ave.

During the afternoon and evening hours the Garden Club will be holding an Open House at the Community Building on Elm. Coffee and cookies will be served. Visitors are invited to browse at the holiday decoration and gift tables and the traditional "White Elephant" table.

Proceeds from the House Tour are used in Terrace Park for community beautification.

League of Women Voters

The December meeting of the League of Women Voters will be held on December 8 at Mrs. J. Scott, 2 Circus Pl. "Human Resources" is the topic and Mrs. D. Steege and Mrs. R. Henderson will lead the discussion.

studies will be made before any remodeling is done. It was generally agreed by Council members that improvements should be made at a minimum expense to the taxpayers.

Buildings Chairman Jan Decker again brought Council's attention to the village owned house which is next door to the Zephyr station. The house is old and in frequent need of repairs. The village has held the property for a possible occupancy by a policeman. However, a feasibility study will be made to determine the best disposition of it.

Council Race Close

Ferd B. Critchell, Jr. and Kent G. Smith were victorious in the tight four man race for Terrace Park Village Council in the November 2 election. When the votes were finally counted November 7, Critchell led the four candidates with 538 votes, Smith followed with 477 and Clyde E. Davison and L.H. Washburn, Jr. were third and fourth with 459 and 442 votes, respectively.

Running unopposed for mayor was Frank Corbin, with 874 votes. Also unopposed for his clerkship was Donald Franke who had 849 votes.

Both levies on Terrace Parkers' ballots were passed in this election. The Mariemont School District Operating Levy for 8.4 mills was narrowly passed by a 218 vote margin. The final vote tally was 1927 for the levy, 1709 against. The tax levy renewal for operating hospitals in Hamilton County was more enthusiastically approved. The vote was 209, 411 for the levy and 54,197 against. The levy of 2.83 mills will support General Hospital, Drake Hospital and the countywide Tuberculosis Control Program.

Three of the five Municipal Court judges elected Sunday night were incumbents. Judges Thomas D. Heekin, Joseph A. Luebbers and Harry T. Klusmeier were returned to the bench. Also elected were Former Judge of Domestic Relations Court, Paul J. George and attorney Peter Outcalt. Terrace Parkers had to select five judges from a lengthy list of 16 candidates in the race.

At press time the Board of Elections did not have for release the breakdown of the vote count for Terrace Park on these races and levies. This will be included in the December issue of Village Views.

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Don and Fran Franke edited the November issue.

The December issue of the Village Views will be out on December 16. This is a week early due to the Christmas holidays. The deadline for that issue will be December 7.



"Next Paper Drive"

Dear Friends:
 The Boy Scouts, Explorers, and leaders of Troop and Post 286 wish to thank all the citizens of Terrace Park for saving newspapers for our paper drive.

We have had five or six paper drives each year for many years, long before "ecology" and "recycle" became everyday words. During the last twelve months we have collected over 100 tons of paper and magazines in the village. This provides our only source of outside income as well as helps the solid waste disposal problem by that amount.

Our next paper drive will be on Saturday, December 18. We will again appreciate it if you will put your old newspapers at the curb for the Boy Scouts.

Yours truly,
 Robert A. Henley
 Troop Committee Chairman

A Job Well Done!

by Don Franke

The "Coffee and Candidates" public meeting on October 20th sponsored and conducted by the Terrace Park League of Women Voters was excellently prepared for and executed to the benefit of all concerned. I have attended many meetings the past two years and feel this event was the best managed of them all. The League had researched the project and prepared important questions for the candidates, had prepared the candidates for the meeting ahead of time, and had prepared and followed through on the workable agenda without allowing the course of events to go off on tangents. The meeting was impartial to the candidates, incumbents, and the audience - no one was immune to Sandy Preston's bell, which marked the end of your allotted speaking time for each segment. One can not help but be impressed with the thoroughness with which the League undertakes all of their projects. Let us hope they can be prevailed upon to conduct other appropriate future public meetings in Terrace Park.

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The East Side Demonstration Corridor Program to provide three express bus routes in eastern Hamilton County has received initial approval and 100% funding by the federal Department of Transportation. The Terrace Park-Milford route is scheduled to commence in the fall of 1972 if plans proceed smoothly. Council has referred the matter to the Terrace Park Planning Commission which has had a chance only to study the proposal briefly and has not made a formal recommendation - indications are, that the Commission has serious reservations about some parts of the plan as it affects Terrace Park.

The plan to find mass transit solutions to traffic congestion and resultant air pollution has been awarded \$377,000 dollars by the D.O.T. to initiate the Mt. Washington express run plus an additional 250,000 dollars for construction of two bus

terminals in the Mt. Washington area. No local funds are involved. The D.O.T. requires citizen participation in the planning, and public hearings will be held on all terminal locations, and the federal agency then must further approve the project based on citizen comments at the public hearings. VILLAGE VIEWS will keep Terrace Park citizens informed about developments, because in the second phase of the proposal a terminal is planned on the western edge of Terrace Park. Developers of the project hope to have the Mt. Washington express run in operation by the spring of 1972. If this is successful they hope to initiate the Terrace Park-Milford line to downtown Cincinnati about six months later. As reported earlier, present plans call for two routes to traverse Terrace Park with buses available every 10 minutes during peak hours.

"Do It My Way"

by Tom Bush

Thanks for Ken Troy's column in the August issue, with his observations on sloppy thought and sloppy language. These are always with us and, in our mutual goodwill, we must be patient with them -- except, as Ken points out, when catch-words and phrases are obscenely used on the gullible for the sake of obscene power.

Greed and aggression, too, are always with us, and they lurk in the slogans of reactionaries and revolutionaries alike. The cynic and the opportunist do not care much which banner they may wave. And fanatics of every cause are not scrupulous of means, when the object is to get others to "do it my way."

For these, the most effective means to power is in the fomenting of hostility -- that latent force that is in the best of us, and most easily roused in the simple, the naive and the young. It is an old, yet ever-new discovery that mass hostility can be manipulated by the turn of words and phrases.

The slogan that Ken Troy so aptly cited is typical - "All power to the people." The phrase itself holds truth,

for ultimate power does reside in the people. Yet few slogans have been such obscene instruments of disruption, destruction and tyranny as "All power to the people."

So it is, too often, with those self-righteous ones who find in their own voices the "Voice of the People," and discover for the first time in history that "relatedness" and "communication at their own level" can be used to get others to "do it my way." These blithe newcomers may not notice that they themselves can be used by more ruthless hands.

Yet we must live with the stresses and vagaries of our human nature. Without aggressiveness and greed for power, we might indeed be a colorless and meaningless mass. So long as the various tensions help to advance the general welfare, we can exercise a certain tolerance -- for out of 200 million "Do it my ways," some useful ideas may appear. Amidst the passions and posturings, the tumults and shoutings, it is essential that we use words with respect -- and not be misled by them.

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Pileated Woodpeckers

For a long time I was said we'd lost our pileated woodpeckers and then I saw one the last week of October. This was the best I'd ever managed to come to one. I didn't get near him, but he flew over my head not more than six feet above. His attention must have been attracted elsewhere. These beautiful large birds are so majestic, but their scarcity makes them fascinating.

This was also the first I observed one in an open area. Usually a pileated is seen in the timber and is discovered by his noisy pounding. He can climb through hard wood almost as fast as an electric drill. His loud pounding of tree trunk identifies him, and with a little caution one can sorta sneak up and catch.

His flight through the trees is silent, which is surprising for so large a bird. He's easily crowded, and he glides over, under and through branches as though he was a tiny tickadee. From a bird as large one would expect thunderous grouse-like take off, but he's as silent as the air.

In open country they are distinctive in silhouette and flight it is hard to mistake them. The size alone attracts one's eye and the red head and long neck identify them immediately. In their flight, although rhythmic, appears erratic

-- flap, then glide in a down and up motion, flap again and still another coasting down followed by an upward swoop. This process is quickly repeated again and again.

One of the other fascinating birds that selected the Park as a summer home was a pair of Baltimore orioles. They nested high over Oxford Avenue about half way between Terrace Place and Miami. Their distinctive nest hung at the end of a bending twig that could not have been more than a quarter inch in diameter. The wind would blow, swing the nest, bend the twig and just give the whole end of the limb a good shaking and tossing. Still that nest held tenaciously through turbulence and rains until the fledglings were ready to fly.

Watched them many times through field glasses, but it was hard on the neck. That gave out before my interest.

At Christmas time I'm frequently asked what gun should one buy for son or husband. The answer is so iffy and the variables so great that it would take a book, not a column to discuss all the possibilities, the whys and wherefores. I'd be glad to discuss such with any one if you'd call me. However, one thing is certain, make sure whoever receives or handles a gun knows how to do so in regard with the greatest safety.

Pax Vobiscum!

"Townin' Around" Mariemont High

All traveling shows feature "family acts" and in traveling to Mariemont High School on Saturday, November 20th for the T.A. Circus Musical, "TOWNIN' AROUND" you will find many family acts.

For sheer numbers, the Wyes, Jack, Joyce, Barb and Claudia, win as all four in the Circus Band; however, the Hendersons do have a foursome, Bob directs and sings, Jean handles props and son Kevin sings while Mark works lights. Nancy Young also works props, while children Karen and Gary sing.

Ronnie Rope and father, Bill, sing while Bobbie contributes artwork. The Feltons, Dick, Joan and daughter Jill all sing, and Joan directs dance numbers which Jill appears. Flip House and daughter, Linda, appear in featured numbers, as do Dave Pannkuk and daughter, Cyndi. Trudy Stevens selects costumes for asband Bill to wear as he sings, and Kebbie Blum designs sets for Karl to construct. Edie Critchell co-produces while daughter Tracy ushers, and John Gray plays the clarinet while son Jim sings.

There are many singles helping with the show, such as arranger Chuck Peery,

orchestra director Bob Dominique; costumes, Pat Baker and Peg Pettit; tickets, Caryl Stoker; posters, Jane Hubka; artwork, Bill Swensson; makeup, Mary Jo Graeter.

Featured singers also include Carla Sprague, Tom Ryan, Larry Lyons, Jim Gilchrist and Brandy Washburn. Ralph Rohlfing appears in the orchestra. Clowns are Cyndi Pannkuk, Nancy Griffith, Cathy Douglas, Alison Hopkins, Cindy Sauter, and Sherri Stewart.

Student singers are Elaine Burns, Nancy Collins, Linda Corbin, Susie Evans, Lynn Gerwin, Susie Konold, Diane Nordloh, Gail McMillan, Werner Hildebrand, Chuck Peery, Sharon Sluka, Dick Sammis, Jeff Smith, Bill Swensson and Patty Thomson.

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In the little clearing overlooking the Little Miami River, Terrace Park families can munch on a casual brown bagger's lunch at the new picnic table, or set a mess of hamburgers sizzling on the newly installed grill. Picnicking in Terrace Park's Wilderness Preserve is chasing a Monarch butterfly through the fields, discovering how the late autumn sun stretches long black shadows across the clearing, and marveling some evening how clearly the tree images are etched on the river waters.

Fire Chief Stegemeyer

Reports:

Chief Lee Stegemeyer reports the Fire Department sponsored "beginning" first aid course has been completed by twelve residents, who now are continuing with the "advanced" lessons. The baby-sitting course is progressing well with 40 in attendance, mostly Cadette Scouts. In spite of a sudden change to winter weather, the annual Pancake Supper for the support of Fire Dept. operations was the usual huge success thanks to the many who volunteered help. Tabulations of results were not available at press time.

With a grant from Village Council to the Property Committee, some interested Terrace Parkers have been working to develop the Wilderness Preserve's 60 acres. With the initial improvements completed, the area is open to all Terrace Park residents from dawn to dusk. The police open the gates leading to the newly cleared parking lot every morning and close them every evening. Permits are only needed for groups of 12 or more using the park.

Since this is a wilderness preserve, no receptacles are provided for trash; all persons are expected to bring out their own litter. No overnight camping for individuals is allowed on the preserve, and no firearms are permitted.

With the Village maintenance crew doing the initial work, a parking lot has been mowed and graveled, a path has been cleared to connect the lot to the picnic areas on the river, and another path has been cleared to parallel the river, connecting the picnic areas with the old road. All the paths have been covered with wood chips, a project completed by

The Terrace Park PTA will sponsor the Skip Fenger Puppets in a presentation of "Nutcracker Suite" on Saturday, December 11 at 2 p.m. in the Terrace Park Elementary School auditorium. Tickets will be on sale at the door at 50¢ per person.

Columbia Chapter of De Molay will be holding its annual Spaghetti Dinner on December 4. It will take place at the Mariemont Masonic Temple, Oak and Maple Streets, from 5 p.m. till ----! Adult plates will be \$1.50 and children 75¢.

The Mariemont Middle School also plans to have a "Charcoal Caravan" next April 15. This will be a door - to - door sale of charcoal for your next summer's out - door grilling. Look for further notices.

Boy Scout Troop 286 under Jim Allison and Ace Tolfeisen.

In the first of the three picnic clearings, grass was sown, debris cleared away and the newly purchased picnic table and grill installed.

Future plans for the Preserve list as priorities - installing picnic tables and grills in the other clearings, planting trees, and establishing a network of hiking paths throughout the Preserve.

Mrs. Cricket Steege and Mrs. Debbi Barber have been working with Councilwoman Mrs. Jan Decker in developing and upgrading this area. Known as Miami Grove or Hodge Acres, this preserve has been owned by the Village since 1954.

The group's purpose behind developing the Wilderness Preserve has been threefold. First, to insure the area is preserved in its natural state. Secondly, to provide a wilderness recreation area for the use of families in Terrace Park, and finally to preserve and upgrade the area along the river banks of the Little Miami River, in the struggle to save the river.

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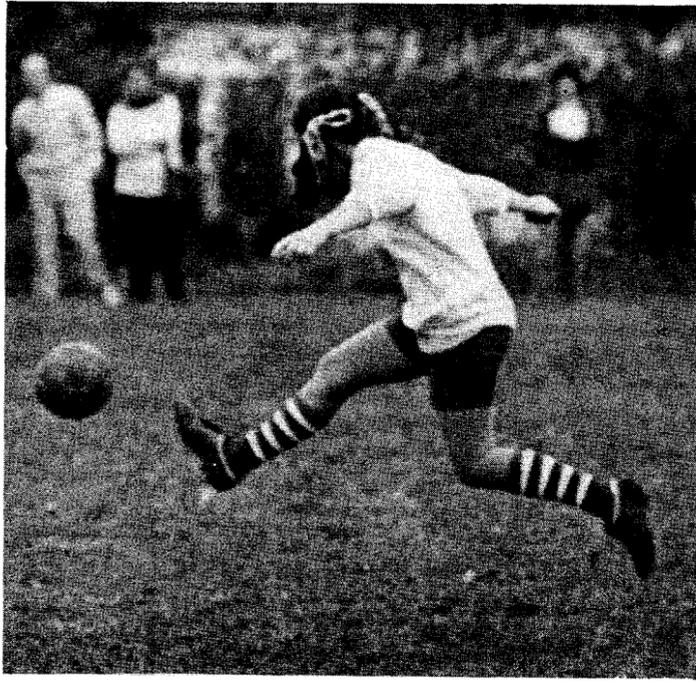
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Mt. Washington has had years of experience they offer very stiff competition for the girls.

It is mainly because of Nick Shundich, Recreation Commissioner of Terrace Park last year, that we have soccer in addition to other popular sports. There were many reasons why he thought soccer should be offered. Nick says "It's a universal sport which can be played by all kids, not just a few. You don't have to have size, speed or specialized training. Every kid can play and participate - and they all have fun." He adds that because of the relatively low cost of uniforms and equipment "budget-wise it's a beauty."

One of the problems in getting Soccer started here was finding people who knew how to play the game and would volunteer to coach the teams. Gene Desvernine stepped in and organized the teams. Gene played a lot of soccer as a boy in Cuba and is very enthusiastic about the game. He reports that "the kids are loving it - a huge turn-out. The enthusiasm is growing and many more are participating than we ever expected."

Ann Gilchrist is equally sold on the game. She likes it because in "Soccer it's strictly teamwork. This is not a 'hero sport'. Quickness and stamina are more important than brawn. It's a good sport for exercise - you're running constantly."

The season runs through September and October roughly, with most district games being played on Saturdays. Any men or women who would like to help coach a team would be very welcome. Just call Gene Desvernine or Ann Gilchrist and they'll sign you up.

Soccer Popular Game in T.P.

Soccer is in its 2nd year in Terrace Park and is rapidly growing in popularity. Both boys and girls ranging in ages from 6 to 15 have turned out enthusiastically for this fast exciting sport.

Gene Desvernine, Boys Soccer Commissioner says about 95 boys have turned out this year. They are divided by age groups into five teams: the "Passers" - 6 to 8 year olds form 2 teams, there are 2 teams of "Wings"

chased in quantity. Besides the trees, purchased by the Garden Club and now growing in the "Bird Sanctuary", I see many good volunteer trees that could be moved into appropriate places. If every family would volunteer to plant a tree, that would mean 725 plantings. It might be fun and a lot of satisfaction if someone or some group would organize a tree planting party. Think about it.

Lifted from the Milford Advertiser. "John F. Robinson III, "The Governor" boarded the Morrow Special at "Robinson's" Station in Terrace Park where his circus annually wintered. The Governor was a big hearted fellow and rather large physically. Did he ride the regular coach? Not he. In the baggage car was a big arm chair and the Governor commanded that chair. This action was a throwback to his active days in the circus when the going was rough. In the summer months, when the side doors were open, the Governor would draw the chair up to the door and have his own observation nook. If anyone else was in the chair when the Governor boarded, he would chase them out."

Robinson's Station was just a building that John moved down after a station erected by Thomas R. Biggs was burned, presumably by ramps. This station was listed as "Gravelotte". There is a village in France under the same name, in the N.E. near Metz. There was battle fought there in 1870. We can speculate that Biggs relations came from that area or the name perhaps was in the news at the time and he liked it and it fit this gravelly area.

Roy B. Conklin remembers (You will no doubt hear more from his remembrances) "Old Governor Robinson always carried pills in his pocket and liked to nibble on them. His big auto was a show piece of motoring in those days, it seated eight or more. I got rides with his chauffeur when he drove to

Milford. The Governor used a cigar holder. He was a steady smoker and feared cancer, such as killed U.S. Grant, who was always smoking cigars and died of throat cancer."

Someone should fill us in on the back ground of the Fresh Air Farm, now Stepping Stones. I take it that the nucleus of the administration building was built by Lindley Conklin around 1840. He had come into possession through his father Abraham, whom gravitated here in 1803 and purchased 640 acres from Judge Symmes at less than \$2 per acre. This incorporated most of the Carmargo Golf Club. Then came a Judge Spooner, I think. He sold to the Emery's in 1898 or before and they in turn turned it over to the promoters of the original Fresh Air Farm.

As an addition to the August article on trees, I recall a fellow on radio make the statement that a car driven 20 miles would use up the oxygen produced by 20 trees in the same space of time.

Then I read a sign on a college campus lawn that stated "If allowed to survive this grass will produce enough oxygen for two students to breathe for one semester."

Perhaps that with all the trees, grass and greenery, is why we feel a bit exhilarated as we enter Terrace Park. So gals get out your old push mowers and bicycles and stop using up our oxygen.

As an after thought: It sorta becomes mandatory for all our citizens and organizations to back up our Legislative body, who are cognizant of the need in preserving our environment. The cost of a guaranteed tree is \$15 or more when pur-

the book worm

by sue huprich

There seems to be in the field of non-fiction a trend to the romantic historical novels. I read four over the summer, that I thoroughly enjoyed. They all dealt with English history and were all different yet similar in a return to a more gentle prose form. A duo of the English author R.F. Delderfield, God Is An Englishman and Theirs Was The Kingdom are quite voluminous reading much in the style of Galsworthy. The books trace the beginning of a family dynasty, a business enterprise and the character development of thoroughly likeable people who together founded both. Another book along somewhat the same vein is Penmarric by Susan Howarth. The story is alternately told through each of the characters thus giving a fuller dimension to a rather simple but engrossing family chronicle. This book was hard to put down as is The Child From The Sea by Elizabeth Goudge. The story is of a little-known person in history, Lucy Walters, secret wife of Charles II. This is a book that I found to be rich in historical detail, philosophical and rather profound in the development of the characters. I thought it very well written.

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