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There is nothing so worthless as a full life and nothing so worthless as an unfulfilled moment. Wasted time is worse than useless—it leads to the brink of disaster.

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Attend Conference in East Lansing

Last week six people from Birmingham attended a conference at Michigan State College, the main purpose of which was to talk about community and world problems.

In the morning the group listened to speakers on various topics of world co-operation. It was stressed that each group can in its small way help the world situation by solving first its own problems.

Those who went were Mrs. Peter Loomis, Mrs. Ann Luthi, Mrs. Carol Darling, Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, Pete Hartuff and George Allen.

Have You Met . . .
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bright, 941 Forest, from Birmingham, England? Mr. Bright is an industrial inventor. A son, Robert, is 20 years old.

Bits of Birmingham

It isn't very often that we see one of Mother Nature's own children make a mistake, but once in a while they do, and, being just humans, we generally do get a bit of a lift from it. The other afternoon, while out for a walk, this Wanderer saw several crows "cruising" around, muttering to sight of a small animal on the ground. As one, the group altered its course and started downward. The small animal moved, and its mother, a huge pondskirt, came and tan dog stalked out of a nearby thicket. With never a faltering wing tip, nor a flick to show that their faces might have been red, the crows again changed their course of flight, swept upward, and off to the north. They were still muttering, and we had the idea that we could hear a few unprintable words as they discussed a lost dinner.

This information at 142 Wayne street, Pontiac. That is the location of the Marine Recruiting Station, recently opened. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Howard A. Shearer is the NCO in charge.

Continuing its postwar modernization program, Greyhound Suburban Lines has received and placed in service 30 third-class buses. According to Birmingham Superintendent Fred Urban, seven of the buses have been added to the fleet on the Birmingham division. The buses, built by General Motors and powered by diesel engines, are part of an order for a large fleet placed some time ago, and which will give communities served by the company the best in modern transportation.

Early Childhood Important In Developing Uninhibited Adults, Educator Explains

"Delinquency has its roots in early childhood," said Dr. George Rooper of the City and County School before the Pierce School PTA last Thursday.

He mentioned two elements recently given attention by progressive educators are: 1. The importance of early childhood, from birth to school age, since basic character traits are developed by the age of six; 2. The psychological implications of child growth and development as evidenced by unconscious behavior such as day-dreaming, being a goody-goody, showing off or being afraid.

He pointed out that these traits may be unconscious reactions to parental attitudes. "You can help a child if you know what motivates him."

Dr. Rooper's talk was accompanied by a sound film which showed how well-meaning, normal parents can, without maltreatment or drastic action, build up a feeling of frustration and rejection in a child, making it very difficult for him to lead a happy life.

Ne Competitive Spirit
The child in the picture was constantly told to "be a good girl," not to bother "mummy and daddy," and to keep out of the dangers of things she wanted to do. When she competed with baby sister for her parent's attention, she was told "nobody likes a show-off." When she sought an outlet for expressing her feelings in painting, her attempts were disregarded or belittled by her parents.

As Dr. Rooper analyzed the film, he emphasized the fact that parents should not make moral accusations against a child, making him feel bad or guilty. "It makes the child give up hope if he thinks he is bad. Parents should show understanding of wishes even if they can't allow them to be carried out. Disapproval on a really basis is not rejection on a personal level, thus the child keeps his self-understanding. If a child knows he is understood, he can accept a non-permissive attitude."

"Since we have to protect our children, we frustrate them. Then they need aggressive reactions or outlets such as hammering and paper cutting, plus understanding of their need for action. A child should never feel that total aggression is permitted, but understanding is not permission. Children do not often get confused on this point. It is better that his feeling find expression in agree-

sion than that he find himself unable to lead a happy life."

Preview of Program
PTA President Charles Hunt announced that of the \$500 made at the fair, \$250 would be budgeted for operating expenses of the PTA next year, leaving the rest to help in buying a strip film projector, a wire or tape recorder and phonograph records as recommended by Principal Malcolm Ferguson and the teachers.

Jim Moon previewed the program for the next meeting, April 8, at which two Highland Park High School students and their teacher will present both sides of the required senior course in "Family Living."

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You'll Like This!

Recently built, the design—Colonial style, and situated in a demand area, a few blocks from Quarton School, make this offering news!

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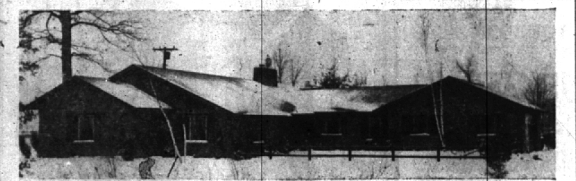
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One of the gayest and most original party invitations that has come to this Wanderer's attention are those sent out this week by Mr. and Mrs. F. Dean Burnett for the open house they are giving March 21 at their home on Buckingham road. The invitation is in the form of blank checks and are to represent a refund on income tax. "Pay to Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Burnett . . . 2 shares Conviviality . . . Four—Nine Dollars." The R. S. V. P's were amusing. One was the income tax blank 1040 giving the names of the senders. After the question of occupation the reply was "resting", social security No. "no security". Contributions "I'll contribute all we can." "Interest." "Plenty of interest." Another acceptance is in poetic form. "A refund is never a thing to be sneered at, and knowing full well how your guests will be cheered at your charming abode, we both hasten to say: Open wide the gates, you can't keep us away. Still another reply, "We'll be there rain or shine, for fun from four to nine, to laugh and just relax." We've paid our income tax.

An interesting sidelight on the recent picture which The Eccentric ran on Nancy Allen and the ceiling projector: the bed she has been using for several months was loaned to her by the Community House, having been donated to the House by the local Scroptinist club. The House also has another such bed to loan, and both are available without charge. When they are loaned out they usually stay 4 to 6 weeks, sometimes longer. One bed was in use for more than 3 years.

Mrs. J. R. W., the city's "Pierce Street Postman" who in her most recent contribution (she evidently has tried to drive over that crater-plotted drive recently).

"Car old.
Street the same,
Still playing
The 'dodge 'em' game."
Jallopjy mired.
Owner sings:
"Look Ma,
No Springs!"

Community House workers are busy preparing the Roll-Call list of Birmingham residents. They tell this Wanderer that they are particularly grateful to several post office employees who have donated considerable time to checking the correct addresses of many local citizens.

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