

Special Day Recalls Mother's Kindnesses For Sons, Daughters

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Comes again Mother's Day, and every one of us likes to remember our own mother and be grateful that a special day has been set aside to honor her.

We like to remember the miniature pies and cakes she made for us on baking days—the gingerbread men she cut out of cookie dough—the picnics she organized, cooked for and went along on. And the birthday parties with all the trimmings that took so much time in planning.

She played house and "made believe" and re-sewed doll dresses that had been ruined by small hands. And she read stories to us by the hour.

We recall the myriad of tiny ruffles she sewed on some extra-pretty dress for a wedding, a confirmation or a program. And the costumes she made for Halloween and for the times we appeared as clowns, angels or Indians in plays and recitals.

WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN, either, that she nursed us through childhood illnesses that were much worse than, before the advent of wonder drugs. She coaxed and bribed us to take medicine, sat up nights with us and amused us through long convalescent periods.

She bothered to take us on trips, too, dragging us around to historical places, when it would have been much easier to farm us out and enjoy an unencumbered holiday with father.

And she sat on the piano bench with us for endless hours, encouraging any spark of talent that might be there, fearful that it be lost if not developed into everything she did for us, covering the sacrifice of her time and energy.

We'll never forget how distressed she was when we had to get a well-deserved spanking, long overdue.

AND WHEN SHE WAS DOING all these things, she was giving up adult pleasures that might have been hers, or worrying about housework that had to wait. But we didn't know that, for a bit of love went into everything she did for us, covering the sacrifice of her time and energy.

We seem to recall, too, that she was patient when we passed through the teen-age period with all its ups and downs—a time when we acted very much like our own teen-age daughters are acting now.

We wouldn't take her valuable advice—for we already knew all the answers. And she must have worried, the same way mothers worry today.

All these things come back more vividly now as we go through them with our own children. For we realize at last the thousands of small services, acts of kindness and the plain hard work that a mother puts into her job.

AND SO WE ARE HAPPY that in the year 1908 Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia began the movement to set aside a special day for mothers.

Yes, we are grateful, too, that on this day we can still wear a red flower instead of a white one, for it means that there is yet time to pay back in some tiny measure the unlimited love and devotion that a good mother bestowed on her children.

Warmer weather, with its spring sunshine and rain... and then Nature comes from its winter slumber and you want to dress up in the rich greenery of its new clothing. This annual miracle is ours for the mere watching.



WILLIAM C. SPROULL, 811 Shirley, (director of advertising at Burroughs Adding Machine Co., Detroit), has been nominated for the presidency of the National Electrical Advertisers' Association.

Polio Foundation Head Congratulates B'ham

Through John B. Taylor, chairman of the 1953 March of Dimes, workers of that one-night campaign and residents who responded so splendidly have received the congratulations and thanks of Paul O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

In a letter to Taylor, the need for funds was explained. O'Connor stated that the exceptional heavy toll of 1952 left the foundation with many hold-over patients. These, he said, with the untold number who will be stricken during the 1953 polio "season" will tax foundation resources to the limit.

Stationed In Korea

HE Philip B. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Allen, 418 Park Street, is now located at Kimpo Air Base in Korea, fourteen miles north of Seoul. Lt. Allen graduated from Michigan State College in June 1952 and entered the Air Force July 15th.

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Church Fund to Get Proceeds from Sale Of Revised Edition

Publication of a book of verse, written for the most part years ago by Charles S. Kinnison, 1338 Latham, was announced this week by Mrs. George A. Burnham, Lathrup Village, president of the Nealle Club Guild of the Birmingham First Presbyterian Church.

Proceeds from sale of the book will be turned over to the church funds as part of the efforts on the part of members to aid in financing the new church edifice under construction on W. Maple.

Kinnison had allowed the Guild to print and sell the book without any payment to him. Labelle's store also will display and sell copies without charge.

Mrs. Burnham and Mrs. Mae Huston, 968 Williamsbury road, obtained permission from the author to embark on the venture, and Mrs. George P. Hogz, 739 Westchester, is also on the Guild committee to sell the book.

A RESIDENT of Birmingham for 30 years, Kinnison has played a prominent part in the development of the church's growth, for many years serving as a Sunday school teacher there.

His verse writing talents came to greatest flower in the 1920's when, serving as toastmaster at a local father and son banquet in

Serves In Korea With Engineers

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