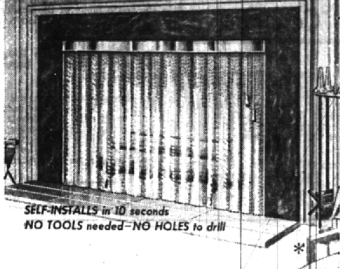


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## Teen Panel Question:

# What Does 'Hoody' Really Mean?

So many things are perhaps unfortunately judged on appearance. If a teenager is wearing rather low-slung levis with no belt; a leather jacket, preferably black with an up-turned collar, and has long greasy hair with a wing on each side and a "D. A." in the back, he is classified as a hood.

Immediately many people, especially adults, begin to look down on him. And a few ill-informed people think of him as a young gangster with his life already hopelessly formed.

The Today's Youth Teen Panel took a much more understanding and lenient viewpoint. We felt that many teens who dress in this way actually are good guys.

PERHAPS THEY do dress rather oddly, and are thought of as hoods, but many times they have just gotten a wrong start. It certainly does not help any to look down on them or give them a contemptuous stare whenever a person sees them.

When everyone seems to frown on a guy, his first instinct is "to show them a thing or two" and not care what he does in doing so. In other words, we agreed that letting around the knees and honey long hair typify a "hoody." However, we don't think that anyone should generalize by thinking of them all as bad guys. Some clean-cut looking teens cause as much trouble as some "hoods." We would rather judge a guy by his character rather than by the way he

## Calendar For Today's Youth

Compiled by LYNN LOPATA

- Friday, November 15: Birmingham vs Royal Oak Donors at Royal Oak. Last game. Southfield High presents "Terror at Black Oaks" in the high school auditorium. Time: 8 p.m.
- Bloomfield vs Brighton at Bloomfield. Bloomfield's Homecoming dance after the game.
- Saturday, November 16: Cranbrook vs Western Reserve in football and soccer, at Cranbrook.
- Kingswood senior play "Twelve Angry Women" in the Kingswood auditorium.
- Monday, November 18: Skating begins at Cranbrook.
- Thursday, November 21: Bloomfield seniors present "Penny" at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Birmingham High School presents "57 Varieties," the annual variety show. Place: High school gymnasium. Time: 8 p.m.
- Friday, November 22: Kingswood representatives attend the Lake Erie conference at Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh.
- Key Club dance at Southfield. 8 p.m.
- Second night of "Penny" at Bloomfield.
- Second night of "Terror at Black Oaks" at Southfield.
- Second night of "57 Varieties" at Birmingham.
- Saturday, November 23: Fall Formal at Cranbrook. Time: 9 till midnight.

## To Try, Fail? Or Try Until You Succeed?

By MARTHA V. HURD  
Today's Youth Editor

Courage is not necessarily a matter of battlefields. Your own heart can be a battlefield of doubts and anxieties. The other day I ran across an old tale of Robert the Bruce, King of Scotland in 1306. His forces routed by the English, he fled to a small island in the sea. He gathered his followers together once more and won the Battle of Bannockburn, after which England acknowledged the complete independence of Scotland.

I think that the spider's persistent, undaunted courage is one that we all can admire. However, the most admirable quality of the spider's attitude towards "getting the job done" was his handling of possible failure. He simply kept on.

(See TO TRY, Page 5-B)

## Hi Life by Tom Manhard

There was a woman with sales resistance . . .

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## Book Characters Come to Life

Cooperating with the Baldwin public library during its celebration of national book week, Birmingham's newly formed Hurdy Gurdy readers are reading scenes from famous children's books for presentation to school children. Here Ray Phillippi, Derby junior high school teacher who directs the production, checks the script with three members of the cast of "The Secret of the Andes." From left are Mike Bradley, George Cole, Phillippi, and George Strayver. Scenes will be shown free to school children above the first grade who apply by phone or in person at the library. The 40-minute showings are slated in the Baldwin public library auditorium for Saturday at 11 a.m. and next Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

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# FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH

MARTHA V. HURD, TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR

## B'ham Students' Summer Work Ranged Widely

By KEPPY PATTON  
Birmingham High School Senior

Students who hate thinking of summer job possibilities have one consolation—jobs are as varied as the people applying for them. They can range from baby sitting to working at a New England resort.

Many Birmingham students had jobs last summer. Working their experiences will help guide other students when considering summer employment.

Some of the girls tried sales clerking in Birmingham and Detroit. Among them were Sally Forster, Sue Smith, Nancy Savage, Ann Cope, Karen Keene, Mary Haldan, Penny King, Sharon Benn and Lucy McBrien.

BABY-SITTING is always profitable work! Learning to be "motherly" to all sizes, shapes, ages, dispositions is a good proving ground. Taking care of the little "ols" were Judy Laimbach and Jeanne Mott. Although Sue Riddell wasn't a baby sitter, she did work as a helper in a nursery school.

A popular job with the boys was working at gas stations.

Among the windshield polishers were Jim Scribner, Bob Sperling and Herb Snellings.

Among many girls working as secretaries and receptionists were Linda Hoddick, Judy Austin, Linda Life, Dee Ann Dunbar and Barb Hays.

ALTHOUGH this sounds like an easy job, the responsibility of meeting the public as a receptionist or as an employer's "right hand" is one that can't be taken lightly. The receptionist, in the "show-case" of her employer, as is the carefully worded letters and typing turned out by the secretary.

One of the most popular jobs for both boys and girls was acting as a counselor at one of the many camps.

Carl Reynolds, Lynn Lopata, Ran Hamner, Nancy Doherty, Lois Bernitt, Warren Risk and Fran Harris were some of the brave ones who escorted the "little people" through the thorny highways and sandy beaches.

NOT UNUSUAL but less prevalent were these jobs:

Carol LaMarro was a life guard at a nearby country club. Tom Gillingham worked at the Presbyterian church.

Collin Stewart worked in a drugstore. Sue Roseberry taught swimming and dancing. Phil Ingraham worked as a caddy and lawn work

## As Others See Us

These are the reactions to American life of the American Field Service exchange students in Birmingham area schools.

By CHRISTIAN PLATOU  
From Bergen, Norway, now attending Cranbrook. Houseguest of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall G. Bittel.

My first impression of the United States, I must admit was cars. I had come over from Holland together with 650 students on the AROSA SKY, and when we were a very enjoyable trip, came to New York late at night and saw all the lights of the town, I could not help noticing the endless stream of head lights and red back lights of the cars on the highways.

Now, I have recovered from the sight of roads with five lanes, although it is very different from the narrow roads in the mountain- and forest-filled Western part of Norway, which I come from. And I am now having a very good time here in Birmingham with my wonderful family.

IN THE two months I have been staying here, I have discovered that the American Field Service's main idea is correct; that when the language barrier is broken down, there are not too many differences between countries!

Before I left Norway I had heard that there was a great deal of athletics in the colleges and in the high schools in the United States. The athletic system in the high schools is a little unusual to me, in Norway we have the athletes based on volunteer interest in our spare time, and in school, we have three or four periods a week for gymnastics.

Nevertheless, I like the American system. It gives everybody the opportunity to practice sports under good coaching. Besides, it builds up a good spirit, as everyone wants their school's team to win.

WHEN I FIRST saw a football match, it just seemed to me as if a dozen guys at a given signal smashed together. Then, after a second or three they got back and have a moments chat in two groups and then start all over again. I could never figure out where the ball was hidden. Now, that I have become used to it, and think I can follow a match fairly well, I really start liking it.

About dating, I will only say that we in Norway can date very well without having a car. Until we are eighteen we must do without it because we don't get the driver license before.

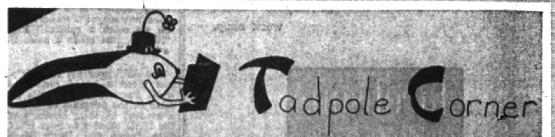
We do a lot of walking in Norway and I do not see it as a disadvantage to walk home after a movie, as a matter of fact I highly recommend it!

## Letter Box For Today's Youth

To Youth Page Editor:  
Here's just a few lines to tell you how much I enjoy your Youth Page in the Birmingham Eccentric. It offers something of interest for everyone and I'm sure I speak for all my friends in Birmingham in expressing hope that it will continue.

I especially enjoyed your article, "The Ugly Duckling."

PAT DAVEY  
2601 East Maple  
B'ham High School Senior



## Interesting, Unusual News Items Gleaned from our Elementary School Newspapers

The weather is a funny thing. It's here, it's there, come fall or spring. It likes to be sunny but sometimes can't. "Cause God says different—He says it shan't!"

By Graham McDonald, 5th grade, Vaughan Sch., Bloomfield Hills

Old Mother Hubbard pulled her kitten likes to romp and play; He likes to do this every day.

When it rains, he's kind of glum; But he likes it when there's lots of sun.

By David Blackburn, 5th Grade, Vaughan Sch., Bloomfield Hills

Fall Is Beautiful  
Colored leaves come floating down  
Red, green, yellow and brown.  
They cover the ground like fall-

ing snow  
Makes fall more beautiful you and I know.  
Up and around the squirrels scamper lightly  
Hiding their nuts in the leaves colored brightly.  
All these beautiful things here and there  
Make fall the most beautiful time of the year.  
Written by ANN EVANS  
5th Grade, Harlan School

## Old Mother Hubbard

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard  
To get her poor dog a bone.  
When she got there the cupboard was bare  
And so the poor doggie had none!

## ... And THEN What Happened?

"Oh, dear," said Old Mother Hubbard to Bowser, "my poor friend, there is no use even hoping for a smelt of a scrap of meat or bone. There's not even a cobweb left in my cupboard!"

Mother Hubbard started crying. Bowser snuggled his freckled nose into her hand.

"Don't cry, Old Mother Hubbard," he said softly, "everything will turn out all right. Besides," he added, "I'm getting pretty tired of bones!"

"You're the sweetest, most wonderful dog in the world," some truth in that," he said, "but I can eat something else. I am going to concentrate on

He trotted over to the worn, blue braided rug in front of the fireplace and lay down with his paws over his eyes. Old Mother Hubbard sat down wearily on the rocking chair and forth going that the rhythm of the rocker (See HUBBARD, Page 5-B)