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IN LETTER TO BARBARA

Mom and Dad Open Their Hearts on Graduation Eve

Dear Barbara:
In a few months you will be graduated from school and ready to take your place in an adult world. Perhaps, after working a few years you will be getting married like your oldest sister and as our dear Pat had planned had she not passed away.

We hope you are now old enough to understand the things we want to say to you.
The best we can wish for you, our girl graduate, is a life as rich, wonderful and fruitful as we have had. No, don't scoff at the word, "rich". Money and material things are not the only definitions of that word. They are only tangible and are easily lost.

by many children. They will fill your life with a richness that money can never give you.
Hold tight to love and happiness, accept the bitter with resignation and rejoice with the sweet. Remember that each of you were wanted and loved and God may bless you as He has.

YOUR MOM AND DAD
(EDITOR'S NOTE: The above letter, so full of sincere feeling, was addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Springer's daughter, Barbara. The Springers live in a large house in Commerce, south plenty of spare to grow in." Mr. Springer is employed in Birmingham at the Handel N' Gittel Shoe store.)

LWV Plans Mock Conventions for School Students
While Sputniks, missiles and outer space have held the headlines in recent months, attention has been focused on our educational systems. How can our schools turn out better informed, better qualified citizens to meet this challenge?

Students in Michigan's high schools will be given a chance for actual participation in a project designed to show them how their state government functions. Plans for mock constitutional convention assemblies are being set up by the League of Women Voters of Michigan to the more than 500 high schools in the state, according to State League President Mrs. Helen C. Ketchum, of Birmingham.

MICHIGAN WILL vote in November of this year on the proposal to call a real constitutional convention for the purpose of revising its 50-year-old constitution. Educational assemblies have approved the mock constitutional convention in the schools because of its timeliness. "Participation is a vital way to learn," says Dr. Lynn Bartlett, Superintendent of Public Instruction, commenting on the project. "The League of Women Voters with its plan for mock constitutional convention assemblies, has provided the average high school student with a graphic way to study a complicated civic education."

These young people will be voting citizens in a few years, and this will be excellent citizen preparation."
The mock constitutional convention assemblies will take place during the spring semester. They will follow the actual plan for constitutional convention, and in many schools the public will be invited to observe.

Birmingham's Buying These Top Ten

- Compiled Each Week from Sales of Birmingham's Three Leading Record Shops
Reported by Carl Reynolds
Pham High School
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| 1. Lollipop | Chordettes |
| 2. Sweet Little Sixteen | Chuck Berry |
| 3. Tequila | Champs |
| 4. Too Soon to Know | Pat Boone |
| 5. Breathless | Jerry Lee Lewis |
| 6. Good Golly Miss Molly | Little Richard |
| 7. Baubles, Bangles and Beads | Jonah Jones |
| 8. Rock & Roll Is Here to Stay | Danny & Juniors |
| 9. The Walk | Jimmy McCracklin |
| 10. College Man | Bill Justis |

Up and Coming Discs:
We wonder why Birmingham record-buyers do not buy the number one tune of Detroit, "Who's Sorry Now," by Connie Francis?

- Detroit Area's Top Ten**
- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Who's Sorry Now | Connie Francis |
| 2. Tequila | Champs |
| 3. Sweet Little Sixteen | Chuck Berry |
| 4. 26 Miles | Four Preps |
| 5. Lollipop | Chordettes |
| 6. Are You Sincere | Andy Williams |
| 7. Too Soon to Know | Pat Boone |
| 8. Good Golly Miss Molly | Little Richard |
| 9. The Walk | Jimmy McCracklin |
| 10. Breathless | Jerry Lee Lewis |

Hi Life by Tom Manhard

IMPORTED TOYS

Pat Boone
Chordettes
Little Richard
Jimmy McCracklin
Jerry Lee Lewis

FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH

MARTHA V. HURD, TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR

Calender For Today's Youth

- Compiled by LYNN LOPATA
- Saturday March 15**
The Senate of the Birmingham high school presents the Sham-Rock, a topsy-turvy, matinee-hop; Maple room, 9:30-12:30. Proceeds will send AFS students on the Washington trip. Tickets, \$2.00 in advance, \$2.50 at the door.
College Board exams at Cranbrook, 8:30-5:30.
Group singing at Cranbrook before movie, 7:00 p.m.
State swimming meet.
State wrestling meet.
- Tuesday March 18**
Inter-lakes talent assembly at Southfield, 10:15 a.m.
Birmingham choir goes to Clarkston for league concert.
- Wednesday March 19**
Cranbrook and Kingswood excused for spring recess.
- Thursday March 20**
Pop club splash party at Southfield, 7:30 p.m.
Winter sports banquet at Birmingham, 6:30 p.m.
First night of junior play at Bloomfield, "Night of January 16th." Tickets \$1.00 for adults, \$0.75 for students, \$0.50 for children.
- Friday March 21**
Second night of "Night of January 16th" at Bloomfield.
Basketball tournament finals.
- Saturday March 22**
Various clubs at Southfield present series of one-act plays, 8:00 p.m. Admission \$5.00.

As Others See Us

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

By MARIT MAAREN
From Sandefjord, Norway, Marit attends Birmingham High School. She is the neequest of Mr. and Mrs. T. Holstner-Maaly, of Birmingham.

Time has really gone by faster than ever before. I just cannot follow it and all the wonderful things that are happening to me all the time. I nearly can't believe that I should be able to have all these experiences.

I am looking forward to our senior trip. I have heard so much about it and I can't wait to see or be forgotten!

Is it all right to kiss a girl on the first date, or does this make her think you're 'fast'?

The panel felt that this is a personal matter. A lot depends on the girl's attitude. If you have known the girl for some time, we see no harm in a "first date" kiss. However, it is not necessary to kiss her to let her know you appreciate her.

Call her up the next day; ask her out very soon for another "you" date; let her know how much you like her by attentiveness.

Do you have a question your Teen Panel can work on? Write it down, sign your name and address, the school you attend, and send to: TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR, c/o



Seeing Triple

Taking their roles seriously, three barefoot Tom Sawyers try relaxing like the famous character they're portraying tomorrow night at Barnum junior high school. Not so impressed with their performance is director Miss Lyla McCormick, who thinks (from left) Dan Matthews, Jeff Reutter, and Terry Bangs had better get on with rehearsals. "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" (with three Toms in three acts) will be the eighth grade's dramatic production at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium. Also scheduled on the eighth grade program is a program by the orchestra, directed by Mr. Robert Kutscher. Students paid a special tribute to Dan Matthews, Jeff Reutter, and Terry Bangs had better get on with rehearsals. "has been everything to this play."



Tadpole Corner
Interesting News Items Gleaned from Our Elementary School Newspapers

The snow has melted and you can't go out to play in the mud so why not make some clothespin dolls, girls? The "feet" of the clothespin with black shoe-polish or paint. This represents the sox. Now, paint the head of the clothespin with eyes, nose and laughing red lips. Paste cotton or embroidery silk on the head for the hair.

You can make pipe cleaner arms by slipping a pipe cleaner between the "legs" of your clothespin. Dress your clothespin doll with a piece of chintz or any other yard goods Mosh-er may have around the house.

in a cardboard shoe box house! If you want to make a grandma or grandpa clothespin doll, just paste white cotton on the head for grandma and put a little "kerchie" around it to keep her from catching cold in the March winds.

Grandpa needs a few painted lines around the back of his head to make him bald. This is very simple for you to do.

For the boys, there's tissue paper "spunkies." How about cutting out a bunch of tissue-paper men dolls? Ask mother to help you cut a simple "pattern" of a paper doll with arms over his head.

YOU CAN MAKE a whole family of clothespin dolls to live the better. Very carefully "attach" the tissue paper "spunkies" to the bubbles and watch them sail away... maybe back to their moon home, who knows?

RECIPE OF THE MONTH: FRENCH TOAST BUBBLES

2 eggs
3 tablespoons sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup milk

Cook your day-old bread rounds with a biscuit cutter. Dip them into the above mixture. Brown in a hot, greased pan. Serve them hot, sprinkled with sugar and cinnamon mixture. My girls and boys like these "roundies" with apple sauce flavored with lemon.

At ease men . . . Go Casual for Spring

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