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**Calender
For Today's Youth**

Compiled by LYNN LOPATA

Monday March 20
Winter sports banquet at Birmingham, 6:00 p.m. Maple Room. Post club splash party at Southfield, 7:30 p.m.

Friday March 21
"Night of January 16th" presented at Bloomfield by the junior class, 8:00 p.m. \$50 donations, \$1.00 adults.

Saturday March 22
Southfield high speech classes present three one-act plays: "Trysting Place," "OK Gunfight at the Corral," and "Happy Journey from Trenton to Camden," in the gym, 8:00 p.m. \$25.

Tuesday March 23
LPSA special program at student art exhibit. Displays of home-made art, fine arts, and home-making departments.

Wednesday March 26
Senior-faculty basketball game at Southfield, gym, 7:00 p.m.

Friday March 28
Spring concert at Bloomfield, Bloomfield spring vacation begins. Sophomore dance at Southfield, gym, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday March 29
Birmingham Amateurs present "The Wizard of Oz" water ballet, at school pool, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday March 29
Three one-act plays at Southfield, "Hope, Incorporated," "Dial M for Monster," and "Why Teachers Go Nuts," which is presented by the Varsity Club, 8:00 p.m.

Sunday March 30
Second night of the water ballet, "Wizard of Oz," at Birmingham.

**FOR AND ABOUT
TODAY'S YOUTH**

MARtha V. HURD, TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR



Free Enterprisers

WESTWOOD—Since there are no stores near Greenfield school, its pupils operate their own school supply store. Captain John June, who takes charge of the non-hour project, chalks down a sale as Linda Taggart buys a notebook from Carol Landry. Both girls act as clerks at the roll-away counter one day per week. The counter tallies daily sales as high as \$11, though some

"recession" day sales totaled no more than 60 cents. Students make the change, handle bookkeeping. Profits go to a general school fund for items such as lunch-hour films for rainy days. Other clerks who work with John one day per week are Gary Dieging, Marc Christianson, John Siddall, David Yardley, Judy Spencer, Beth Downs and Larry Anderson.

By CAROL DARLING
Student Affairs Director at Birmingham High School

The Birmingham high school has had a student government for 23 years. The first council was formed by a beloved teacher, Miss Emily Walker, and by Mr. Miles Robinson, who later became the principal of Barnum junior high school.

In those early days in old Baldwin, the student council sometimes held open meetings before the entire student body. One of the first presidents was an eloquent young leader, Norman Lyle.

Since the students kept pictorial scrap books of every Congressional term and the great events therein, it is quite possible for anyone to go back in memory and recall the names of some of the

THE DANCES held in the gym were major projects. Once we made an entire false ceiling. The great decorators of the day were Bob Myers and Ward Orlicak. The names were as fantastic as the decorations. Who remembers Serape, Serenade, Sinners Paradise, the Balaialka Ball and even Terpsichorean Horn?

Once a Congressional Record was published which gave a humorous account of the political regime of the retiring president, Larry Young, who looked upon his past record with pride. It recorded an attempt to assassinate him while in office by giving him a Model T without brakes.

Hi Life
by TOM MANHARD

THE CLASSES plan parades, floats, costumes, and cheers. Competitive field events, some athletic and some humorous, take place with the final award of the famous cinder barrel trophy going to the winning class.

The classes used to march all the way to Foster Field. The big maple trees in front of Baldwin were decorated before dawn with class colors. Then, as now, class feeling ran high.

Today Field Day is held every October in our huge gym, affording colorful parade along Cranbrook. Visitors are welcome.

THE STUDENT Congress today has a bicameral form of government. (See SCRAPBOOK, Page 7-B)

**Who Let the Sack
Out of the Bag?**

By JOEY KETLAR
Freshman at Derby Junior High School

A word of advice: Don't worry about '58 fashions not fitting. Think what you'd look like if they did.

If the long pointed toes of the new shoes keep your little toe out in the cold and you have to detour around manhole covers or become stuck, don't let it worry you. All kinds of fantastic shoes were worn in Europe from the 15th century on, even, apparently, to the present time.

In the 15th century long, pointed shoes without heels were especially popular. The points grew in length until it became necessary to fasten them to the knees with silver chains to make walking possible.

By 1465, in England, an ordinance was passed forbidding shoes to be more than two inches longer than the foot. People having shoes longer were fined.

The new '58 shoes are said to have been started to balance the shortened skirts of the chemise.

The CHEMISE is the most talked about '58 fashion. It hangs straight from shoulder to knee, which is about 16 or 17 inches above the floor. This is worn with or without a belt. With one it looks pretty good, without one it looks like just what it is, a dress without a belt.

Be careful of the chemise skirt. It's selling, and the figure has to be pretty good to slide successfully into the chemise. They are supposed to hang straight from the shoulder to hem with no pockets or anterior bulges that do not belong.

SELLING WITH the chemise is the knitted chemise suit. This has the style of a bulky sweater pulled to the knees. It hangs about two inches above the floor, thus giving the onlooker the feeling that it has been outgrown.

Then, there is the balloon style. This has the fashion air of a full blown parachute. It is held only at the shoulder and hemline and is met with such remarks as, "That's not a punkin. That's my nocher."

The thing that irks me is the fact that they keep calling the chemise and balloon new. I've designed a chemise seven years ago, and it wasn't accepted. It came out again recently with a shorter skirt and a longer string of beads and became popular.

IN 1949, he introduced the "captive balloon" look and it didn't sell. It came out again this year with longer jacket and shorter skirt. It raged.

Hemlines are about three inches shorter this year. This saves an innumerable but makes phobias knees a necessity.

Something I don't quite understand about fashion is this: Manufacturers and designers work for years creating new materials for dresses. Then a designer (St. Laurent) comes out with something like the "trapeze."

This flares out from the waist just like an Egyptian pyramid. It could be made of sandpaper without causing any discomfort.

MOST AFGHAN women wear a sack-like garment that covers them from the top of the head to the ankles, with a small lace window for the eyes. American fashion haven't come to this yet, but this writer wonders if it's not just around the corner.

The Afghans are protesting against going modern. They want to keep their turbans. They have nothing to worry about. The newest thing in women's hats is the turban. Another up and coming style in hats is the upside-down mixing bowl type.

'58 fashions come me, but I was going anyway.

My parents disapprove of my smoking, so I have to...

SMOKE IN THE BATHROOM, OR TAKE A FAST WALK AROUND THE BLOCK, I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL GUILTY ABOUT THIS SNEAK SMOKING. HOW DOES THE TEEN PANEL FEEL ABOUT SMOKING IF YOU'RE GOING WITH OTHER BOYS AND GIRLS WHO FEEL THEY HAVE TO SMOKE?

Senior Smoker

It seems too bad you have to sneak a smoke, especially since you're a senior. Going against your parent's feelings can't make anybody feel cheap.

However, having the courage of your convictions should be your guide here. Why not sit down with your parents and explain how you feel about this?

As far as the other teen-agers are concerned, if they jump off a cliff, do you have to?

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 it to TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR, c/o

The Birmingham Eccentric, Birmingham, Mich. The Teen Panel will deliberate the question, and the answer will appear shortly thereafter in these columns.

**Birmingham's Buying
These Top Ten**

Compiled Each Week from Sales of Birmingham's Three Leading Record Shops
Reported by Carl Reynolds
Bham High School Senior

1. Lollipop	Chordettes
2. Too Soon to Know	Pat Boone
3. Breathless	Jerry Lee Lewis
4. 26 Miles	Four Preps
5. Tequila	Champs
6. Sweet Little Sixteen	Chuck Berry
7. The Walk	Jimmy McCracklin
8. Dinner With Drac	John Zacherle
9. Baubles, Bangles and Beads	Jonah Jones
10. Are You Sincere	Andy Williams

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

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Interesting News Items Cleared from Our Elementary School News

THE SHINING EYES
By SUSAN BLACK
Harian School

Betty and Bob Hatcher were visiting their Aunt Martha. Aunt Martha lived in the country on a farm.

One night Betty went outside to see if everything was all right. Suddenly two shining eyes (which looked like a mountain lion) came prowling around the barn. As soon as Betty saw it she turned around and ran into the house screaming that something was in the garden. However, when Bob and Uncle Jim came out to see what was the matter, the animal was gone.

Finally Bob and Uncle Jim went with her and then again the eyes came in sight. Uncle Jim started shouting and went over and picked the lion up.

Then he said "Here's your mountain lion, Betty." And he

held up Aunt Martha's cat, Timothy.

JOKE CORNER
By TOM WISE-Harian School

Tom: Why are you standing in front of the mirror so long?
Fred: I want to see how I look with my eyes closed.

Tom: Where did you get the bite on your nose?
Fred: I was looking at a brose.

Tom: There isn't any "b" in rose.
Fred: There was one in this one!

Tom: We're sure you have used water colors, oil perhaps and certainly crayons to make a picture, but have you ever tried using paste? It's a lot of fun! Mix together two teaspoons of salt, one teaspoon flour and enough water to moisten the dry mix. Stir away all the lumps. Now, draw a picture of a flow-

er, or a house or a spring scene on a cardboard and spread the paste on the cardboard. Let the paste-dry thoroughly. I hope you made a mountain in your picture so it stands out. Paint your paste-picture with water colors, and you will have a real surprise for your family.

PRETEND!
I don't like to set the table, I don't like to make my bed, I don't like to wash the dishes, I don't like to wash the dishes. So, this is what I did instead. When I set the table I put down knife, fork and spoon, and pretend that one of them is the silver moon. When I make my bed I pretend that it's a castle's fairy moat. When I wash the dishes I pretend they're little fishes, but this is all pretend and only silly wishes!

By GINA LOPATA
Pembroke School, 4th grade.