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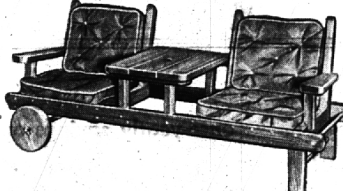
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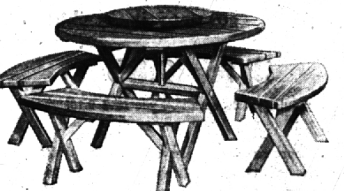
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# Who Are We? Have Parents.

By MRS. DOLLY W. BRENNER

Director of Casework, Family Service of Oakland County  
Some parents are fond of saying as they look back, that teen years are the most wonderful years of all. No cares, no worries, just fun.

So why is Jane so moody? Why isn't she out having fun with the others? What's got into Tom? They wonder. He used to be happy-go-lucky, full of energy, ready to tell you all about everything. Now you can't get a word out of him about anything.

Parents are often the most wonderful forgetters in the world. They can't seem to remember what it was like when they were teenagers except the part about how much more discipline they had, and a much smaller allowance than today's kids.

And they didn't drive every where, they walked. And parties started earlier and ended earlier so they got home at a Decent Hour. They can remember some of the fun they had, but it was all within these regulations.

But, they say, it was wonderful fun and you should have even more fun because look at all the freedom you have today, all the advantages.

NO CARES, no worries, just fun. No problems like we're having. Sure, you agree, parents have problems. But they are all parents' kids like Money and Riting Living Costs, and Getting Things Done Around Here. They don't understand your problems.

Your kind of problems are just as real but they're hard to describe, and it's mostly your own feelings that are really bothering you. Feeling like worrying about whether people like you enough or whether your clothes are right, or whether you can make the grade and get dates, whether it shows how scared you are at times. Whether your family will like your friends. Whether your friends will like your family. How to decide what you want to do as a Career; whether to spend your last buck on a certain record, or whether to spend it on gas.

WHY DO I FEEL embarrassed when a dance? Can I ever make a real big splash so people will look up to me and envy me the way I envy Joe? Everyone likes Joe. The plain facts are that every one has problems. Your parents had your kind once. Probably they can't remember. You'll find them kind some day. Maybe then you'll remember how it was now either.

Most people can work out their problems with an assist from friends, or family, or even by themselves.

WHEN YOU feel as though you

are internal. I really have been seeing and learning about American democracy, how they love freedom and the rights as well as duties, how people live, how people raise children now great, the mechanical powers of this country age, how they are open-minded and so on.

I will tell my people of what I have learned here. Most important thing I have ever noticed is that I fall very strongly that Japan is my mother country. I have never felt so much as I do now. The famous Byron once said, "He who loves his country can love nothing".

I really love my country Japan as well as the United States which has been my country this year. Before I conclude my writing, may I thank to the staff of The Birmingham Eccentric who have helped us a lot.

These are the reactions to American Field Service exchange students in Birmingham area schools. By "YUKEY" NOMURA From Osaka, Japan, now attending Birmingham high school. "Yukey is the guest of the W. W. Birchard family, Birmingham.

This is the time for me to say "Sayonara" to everyone, who has been so wonderful to me. I have been thoroughly enjoying the stay in Birmingham which will be my second home town. I am very thankful to my host family and school faculty and especially to Birmingham high kids. They are so nice to me, so friendly to me that I shall never forget what they have done for me.

Lord Lytton once said, "It is true we are creatures of circumstances, but circumstances are also, in a great measure, the creature of us." I am afraid whether I can adjust myself to old circumstances, I have not had any trouble to get in the life here. That, I believe, is because the circumstances have been so nice to me.

I AM NOW a small creature of your great circumstances. As Lord Lytton says, I also created the circumstances of my own. Luckily enough this year we have another Japanese boy, Kane, Birmingham high school, who has been filled with the Oriental atmosphere, I hope. Soon I must say goodby to the school, to my family who have really been my American family, and to the kids who have been really my friends.

THEN WHAT I have learned during my stay? It is very hard to mention. I am sure I have gained many things. Most of them are not able to be seen. Most of them

family couldn't understand you (even though they might if you tried them), usually there's a friend or a teacher or somebody who can try to understand and give you the feeling that you aren't the only one who feels like this.

The good part is the relief you get from talking to someone, even though they can't do anything but listen.

Then there are people, yourselves included, who can't seem to make things work right. Nobody can help. You can't manage by yourself.

THERE'S REALLY no one to go to, no one you really want to talk to about yourself or your feelings or what you want to happen. People we see and hear about can get help from talking to a caseworker, like they have at Family Service.

A caseworker can understand about a person's feelings, the struggles that go on in a family. You can begin to understand what to do about things if someone who is your friend and who's really can help you sort things out, may be answer some of your questions, and generally be a better kind of person you are or want to be.

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FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH



MARtha V. HURD, TODAY'S YOUTH EDITOR

## Teen Agers Are In a Dancing Mood

It's going to be a big night and formal dances Saturday, as both Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham high school students attend annual proms at the two schools. Reading posters to remind Bloomfield Hills students of their junior-senior prom are (from left) Anne Shaak, Joanne Schmidt,

Phyllenore Drummond and Lurray Pfister. Hills students will dance to the music of Mack Pitt and his band from 9 to 1 a.m. Birmingham high school students will have two bands for their 9 to 1 a.m. J-hop. Their Japanese theme is titled "Sayonara."

## Birmingham's Top Ten

Compiled Weekly from Sales of Birmingham's Three Leading Record Shops Reported by Carl Reynolds, B'ham High School Senior

- All I Have to Do is Dream
- One-Eyed, One-Headed, Flying Purple People Eater
- Jennie Lee
- Secretly
- Do You Want to Dance
- Witch Doctor
- Endless Sleep
- Chanson D'Amour
- Johany B. Goode
- Book of Love

Everly Brothers  
Sheb Wooley  
Jan & Arnie  
Jimmy Rodgers  
Bobby Freeman  
David Seville  
Reynolds/Ross  
Art & Doty Todd  
Chuck Berry  
Monotones

## Up and Coming Discs:

- You
- Sugar Moon

Anatones  
Pat Boone

## Detroit Area's Top Ten

- All I Have to Do is Dream
- Witch Doctor
- Big Man
- Secretly
- Twilight Time
- Woodchoppers Ball
- Do You Want to Dance
- Chanson D'Amour
- Return to Me
- Keowie Doll

Everly Brothers  
David Seville  
Four Preps  
Jimmy Rodgers  
Platters  
Hutch Davie  
Bobby Freeman  
Art & Doty Todd  
Dean Martin

## Modern Youth Lacks Stamina, Survey Shows

"It looks as if today's youngsters are not as fit, in some areas, as those of some years ago," says Paul Hunsicker, professor of physical education at the University of Michigan. "Modern physical education programs are partly to blame," he declares. First test results in a nationwide Project called "The Tummy Test" by Hunsicker show arm and shoulder weakness and lack of endurance among both boys and girls age 10 through 17. "The average 10-11-year-old boy can chin himself only once, while the best group—age 17—can chin themselves only six times, on the average. "The girls just can't throw a softball, while the 600-yard runner can't run a mile. There's a lack of stamina among all youngsters, with the girls making an improvement from age 10 to 17." Hunsicker says he's explaining the preliminary nature of his findings.

THE TESTING project was sponsored by the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Professor Hunsicker says he is still collecting data but hopes to complete the study this summer. should a girl be able to throw a softball or a boy run without getting tired winded? "There are ways of expressing physical efficiency—the lack of it, and muscular strength. Do we or don't we want to be physically fit and efficient?"

## The Snake Hut

By PATTY CASE, 2nd Grade, School

My father took my brother and my brother's boy friend and I to catch a snake. We went to a swamp. My father saw a frog but my father could not catch him.

My father said there were not any frogs or snakes around here. So we went on to another swamp. But here there was a snake. My brother saw him. He cried out, "I found a snake. I found a snake." We put him in the paj and we brought him home. And here he is. The End.

A PLAY DAY By JUDY SUMNER, 2nd Grade, Pierce School

On Saturday I went to my friend's house. When I got there, Jane was playing with the kittens. Then we saw that the kittens were not strong. So I said, "Maybe they want to play Hide and Seek." Jane said, "Well, let's go find them." So we did. There were a lot of snakes and we found one under the bed. And one upstairs. And the other in the basement. Then I had to go home. When I got there my sister was playing with Pluffy. Susan said, "Pluffy's tummy is going to burst." Mother said, "She is going to have kittens." Susan said, "Where are the kittens?" The End.

## Interesting News Items Gleaned from Our Elementary School Newspapers

Copper, iron, salt and oil and Sand and gravel for cement

All gifts from nature's soil. From Michigan's manufacturing The world was put on wheels Cereals, furniture, tractors and boats. But most important is automobiles. Our farmers grow the precious grains That provides us with daily bread. Dairy, fruits, and cattle farms Keep Michigan well fed. There are many schools in Michigan. Just to name a few. Universities, colleges, trade schools, too. Two penicillin, four great lakes Three great bridges, too Panama can not match. The freight going over our Soo. I love to live in Michigan. Now you know the reasons why. I wouldn't trade my Michigan. For any other state under the sky!

## Toadpole

By JANIE MAYS

I love to live in Michigan Because of four exciting seasons. The winter sports and summer sports. Are only two good reasons. Skating, skiing, sledding, hunting. Bowling on the green. If the weather gets too blizzardy. A fireplace is nice! Golfing, swimming, hiking, Bowling on the green. Or riding along the highway Enjoying every scene. Three thousand miles of lake shore. Beaches of finest sand. Resorts on lakes and rivers. Truly a Water Wonderland. The earth is rich for mining