

In the presence of an explosive verbal engagement with another, it doesn't pay to induce the "explosion" as wholly without good sense. Most of us may become the victims of "flying heated words"—and most of us finally calm down and in thoughtful retrospection, admit the need for more tolerance when others "explode". Time calms emotional outbursts.

The Birmingham Eccentric

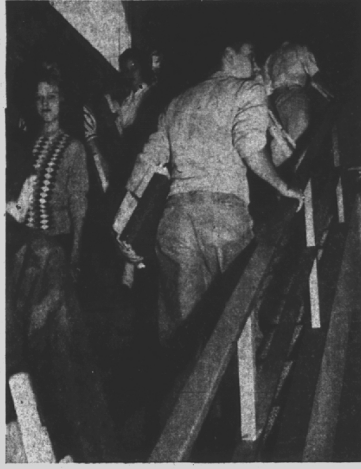
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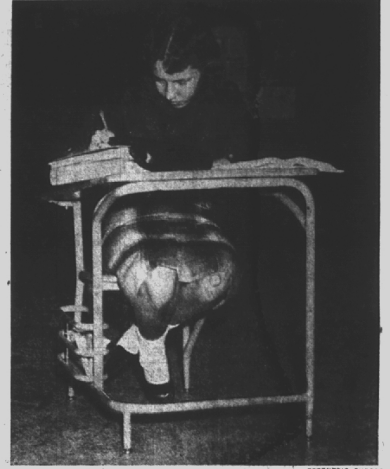
Lunch is over.



The rush is on.



Classes begin



and the hall monitor relaxes after . . .

The Eat and Run Time at Birmingham High School

FOR AND ABOUT
TODAY'S YOUTH
DENI SCANLON, Youth Editor

As Others See Us

Dream Comes True For Italian Student

By ATTILIO CORTELLA

When, about ten months ago, I went to the U.S.I.S. (United States Information Service) for this scholarship, I was thinking of coming to America only in my dreams. But now this dream has come true.

After I traveled for ten beautiful days over the vast Atlantic ocean, I arrived in New York. Although I had seen only a little part and from far away, I can say without doubts, that this is a fabulous city described in many moods by a thousand writers. After a long, exhausting trip by bus, I arrived in my new town.

WE ITALIANS have a different mood in dressing. Here blue-jeans, khakis and Bermudas are very popular. In Italy there are blue-jeans and shorts (but shorter than Bermudas) and we wear these only in the three months of the summer. Here boys and girls wear socks all days but in my country we wear

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them only during the winter and with big, heavy shoes.

But what impressed me very much is the freedom of American youth. Here a 15-year-old boy or girl can take a driver's license. In Italy we can drive only when we are sixteen and only a few girls have a license. Most of the women in Italy use tram or bus.

THE MOST popular word here for most boys and girls is "date." The Italian boys can also date and very often. But here you tell your parents you have a date. Most of the Italian boys and girls don't say to their parents they have a date. And why?

Because our parents are a little stricter than Americans and their way of thinking is old. Often, parents would not allow their children to go out alone, but they would allow participation in a group activity.

I WAS REALLY very lucky. I not only came to Michigan but also went for a long and very interesting trip to the west. I saw the famous and extolled prairies, Grand Canyon and the Salt Lake and many other beautiful places.

To see the vastness of the prairies, to see the depth of the Grand Canyon, to plunge into the Salt Lake, where we can easily float, are emotions that I can feel only once in my life.

But the travel showed to me also the true vastness of the United States. I could think the United States were beautiful and big, but to see this country shows me it is

popular in Europe for its cars and sports car designers.

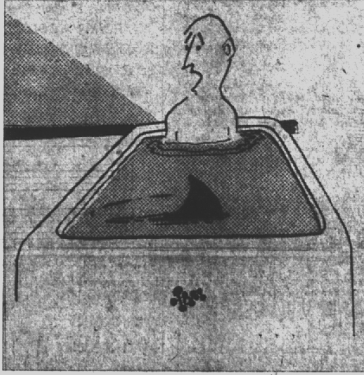
MY LIFE during the scholastic year is always home and school. My school is modern and very well equipped. It is a big building with large classes and two gyms. Boys and girls attend this school. During all the year, we study 11 subjects, which we cannot choose. The most important subjects are Latin and mathematics. After these are English, history, philosophy, physics, religion and so on. At the end of the hour we don't change classes, the masters change. We go to school from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. Then we go home to study because we have so much homework.

OUR GRADES go from one to ten. At the end of the year, we have a school report. If we haven't all grades superior to six, we must take the examination in September. If we are still below six, we must repeat the study the next year. When we are 18 years old, we can enter in the university.

MY NEW life, is still now very beautiful and I hope the same for the future. I'll try to learn from my experiences as much as I can, because this is my most important aim for coming to America.

Hi Life

by Tom Manhard



Parochial Notes

Holy Name Grid Men Score Win

By CAROL ANN JURICA

Holy Name's varsity football team beat St. Mary Magdalene's of Hazel Park in their second game of the season. The game was played Saturday at Hazel Park. The final score was Holy Name 33, St. Mary's 7. Martin Foley coaches the boys.

Eighteen boys from Holy Name Boy Scout Troop B-12 and several fathers will begin a trip to Jordan, Michigan, Friday, where they will start a two-day trip down the

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Jordan river.

Last Monday the Holy Name Boy Scout Troop B-12 attended a Court of Honor in the school gym. All parents were invited to attend.

Every parish teenager interested in future "Teen Town" gatherings attended an important meeting last Sunday in the school gymnasium. The purpose of the meeting was to appoint committee heads and their workers.

The entire student body attended a Rosary procession this past Tuesday. The rosary was recited and hymns were sung before the outdoor statue of Our Blessed Mother. A sermon and Benediction followed in church.

Country Day Student In Merit Test Race

Headmaster F. Alden Shaw of the Detroit Country Day School today announced that Rodney A. Flisk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Flisk, 16864 Wildenere, Detroit, has been named a semi-finalist in the 1958-59 National Merit Scholarship competition.

The semi-finalists named outscored more than 479,000 classmates, moving a step closer to an estimated \$5 million in Merit Scholarships to be awarded in the 1958-59 program.



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