

'Whatcha Doin' in School, Mister? Don't You Know It's Vacation?'



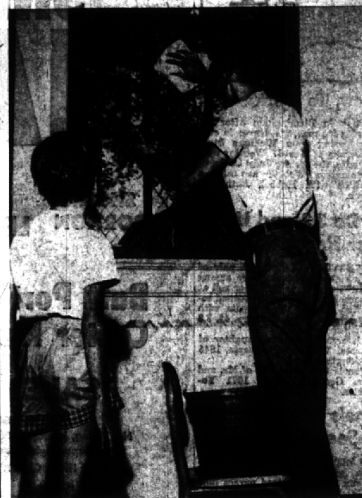
"Gee, school's not open, but the door is," said Gail Pendray, six and one-half, of 623 Abbey, as she returned to the scenes of her childhood at Adams school, where she was graduated from kindergarten last year.



"Oh-h-h, look at this watchamacallit, and it's sitting out here in the hall with all the chairs and stuff. Wonder if we'll have one in our classroom when school starts again. Wonder why all this stuff is out here in the hall. Wonder if I can find my classroom, or if my teacher is here. Think I'll go look," she said.



"Here it is, but she's not. There's nothing in my old classroom—except a few pieces of paper on the floor. Gee, it looks funny . . . Wait; there's somebody. What's he doing?"



"Washing windows" was the obvious answer she got from maintenance man, James Dorries. Summer vacation is only for some people, Gail learned. School's open all summer long, and almost as busy as it is between September and June. Workers are often pressed for time as they race with the September deadline to get classrooms in shape for school and scholars.



Something new learned for the day, Gail turned to go. Then she spotted the next-best thing to an old, familiar face—an old, familiar desk. "That's the one I sat in last year; yep, the same one," she reminisced. She left the building to return to the playground and summer. "Gee," she said, "school's open all summer long." A playmate called to her and she forgot all about school.

Lb. of Prevention Allows Many Ounces of Alcohol

EDITOR'S NOTE: Birmingham high school teacher Carl H. Zwinck is currently attending the Summer School of Alcohol studies at Silliman College, Yale university, New Haven Conn. The school which ends this week, has drawn teachers, clergymen, doctors, social workers and many others from New Zealand, Norway, Canada as well as the United States.

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Alcoholism, the number four public health problem in the U.S., can be prevented. Other problems which are associated with beverage alcohol need not occur. These results can be achieved without stopping the use of alcohol.

Professor Christopher Sower of Michigan State University last week announced to three hundred students at the Yale Summer School of Alcohol studies that effective community preventive action can be taken throughout Michigan wherever various local organizations are willing to work together on these problems.

Dr. Sower discussed the surveys recently completed in Michigan, financed by the State Board of Alcoholism. Survey results will soon be published.

DR. SOWER'S surveys included a study of teen-age drinking. His

researchers used questionnaires and interviews in six Michigan communities, working with high school juniors and seniors. From these and other studies, we now know enough to begin preventive programs. Some communities have already begun experimental prevention programs.

A MORE immediate problem for

teen-agers is intoxication; traffic accidents and many other kinds of difficulties can result from controlled drinking.

Most people who drink do not become alcoholics, and many people drink without damage to themselves or others. Others must never drink at all if they are to avoid pain and misery.

Alcoholic beverages affect different people in different ways. Few people understand these physiological, psychological, and sociological effects.

It is now possible to identify boys and girls who will later have problems associated with alcohol or other psychological problems as early as 10 years of age. Prediction is by no means easy, and is possible only when school, church, medical, and other community agencies work closely together.

Alcoholism itself, even in early stages, is a serious problem for those who have this illness and for their families, employers, and community.

MRS. ROSALEE McGaffey and Carl Zwinck this week complete their study at the 1953 Yale Summer School of Alcohol studies. McGaffey and Zwinck are local

educators who have been appointed by Lynn Bartlett, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to serve on the state alcohol education committee.

Mrs. McGaffey, visiting teacher for Dearborn Public Schools and a Birmingham resident since 1941, may be reached at 233 Daines. Mr. Zwinck, local science teacher, can be reached this summer at 904 Packard, Ann Arbor.

THEY WILL be glad to discuss problems associated with beverage alcohol with any citizen or group interested in this subject.

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