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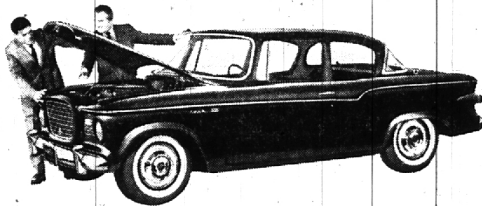
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**He CAN Keep An Open Mind**

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ruth Vogt, special writer for the Eccentric, and a devoted suburbanite and mother, takes issue with a story that appeared in the December issue of "Suburbia Today." The story, written by editor Marion Lowndes pointed out some of the "dangers" of raising children in suburbia.

By RUTH VOGT  
Special Writer

Outside of that small group of parents back in Britain's days of chimney-sweepers (who allowed their offspring to do such work), what set of parents today seem to be as cruel? If everything is believed which creeps, periodically, into print, it's the adults who have made the terrible mistake of forsaking city streets.

The first reaction always after reading the dire warnings of what will occur to our children's minds, bodies, and general attitudes because we have abdicated the close quarters of the biggest, largest town is to declare: "Alright, we shall, every last one of us, move right back. All twelve to fifteen thousand of us!"

WOULD EVERYTHING be cozy and would life offer no major problems for either the parents or their offspring? Hosh...

The frightening title recently "He Has an Open Mind Now" which shouted forth from an issue, showing a brand new year old unpolished cherub peeking out from pink woolly blankets forced one to plunge right into the beginning

paragraph in order to discover what "horrible things" were about to doish the beauty of this new blanket.

GUESS WHAT it was? That's right. Instead of racial or religious bigotry, or snobbishy arising from a possessing too many bank accounts, it was that unthinkable act of married folks building outside of town.

Not considering that those few who did leave the Jamestown settlement soon after 1619 or those brave ones who waved goodbye to Plymouth Rock and decided to make homesteads farther away were, in truth, the very first "Suburbanites," the writers today

"Are you prepared to watch your child grow up to be mal-adjusted, unsocial and far too narrow minded?"

BEFORE the reader can answer this tremendous challenge, the writer gallops right along at a fast pace to prove, using both the deductive and inductive reasoning process that these things are bound to transpire, all because certain home-buyers signed mortgages for domains beyond the city limits.

Before shivers run wild up and down the reader's spine a few of the latter writers, (wishing perhaps to keep in good with both sets of friends, those who remained and those who departed from town) have been insinuating a few note-worthy "rules" that if applied in time, might halt the ultimate bad results of the parents' move to the Suburbs.

"Take them into town occasionally," one said. "Expose 'em to movies, television and the world of books." (It was suggested, too, that depositing them, the young ones, on a busy foreign street corner and just letting them roam about in a good remedy for this peculiar disease they contact living outside of the city—narrow-mindedness, softness and a degeneration of body and a death to the intellectual faculties of the mind.) May we say 'hosh' again?

THESE UNPLEASANT traits can occur to offspring any place on this earth. Doesn't it rest, as always, with two people—the children call "Momma and Papa" whether these diseases will take over a household or not?

If the signers of that mortgage want "narrow-minded, follow-the-leader" type of offspring and do nothing to prevent this, they'll see it happen whether they reside on a crowded city street or settled on a dirt road. If they be robots and their heads in agreement and beat 'eye' to everything and one, everyone will suffer.

But outgoing living, broadminded existence and a very full life can take place just as well anywhere, if the heart and mind are put to this exciting task.

AND LIVING in any condition, requires effort, time and thought. If it's to be not mere getting up in the morning, going to work and retiring at night, it takes wide open eyes, a mind alert to each passing day which brings all its different types of people, events and obligations, as well as a fan. (Why, just a trip to a dime store to pick up school supplies, a stop at the library and then over to the Post Office to buy stamps and maybe a quick run-in to the grocery to get a loaf of bread offers offspring food for growth.)

If there were bedroom space and enough bathroom facilities (cause those rigid writers who are so set against any outside living would probably be irritated if they had to wait in line), the greatest joy imaginable would be send 'em all a blanket invitation, this coming spring and summer to: "Come out and see us sometime, huh?"

PERHAPS THEY'D scurry right back to their typewriter keys and pour out the same theory about suburban living but who knows? After circulating around our streets in a small town, walking along some of our dirt, rutty back roads, and, smelling really fresh air and talking to a few of the inhabitants who live in the dwellings, they might possibly start to sing:

"For heaven sakes, it's not as bad, all that suburban living, as we painted it, neither for the parents nor for their children!"

This wouldn't cause shivers to run up and down the spine.

**Tired? No Wonder; It Was a Long Trip**

LANSING—Michigan motorists drove an estimated \$2 billion (200 million miles during 1959, a 14 per cent increase over 1958, the Michigan state highway department reported recently.

Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said the average motorist drove about 10,000 miles during 1959 compared to 9,700 miles last year.

Michigan motorists used nearly two and one-half billion gallons of gasoline during 1959.

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