

# Something About the Girls Is Laughable, or Shocking

THE DEEP-FREEZE GIRLS by Eva Reiger. Coward-McCann, Inc., New York, 1964. 314 pp., \$4.95.

Reviewed by MARIAN TRAINOR

Well, now, if it's diversion you're seeking, you'll have fun reading about "The Deep-Freeze Girls."

But you're going to have to approach the book in the same spirit that you attend a musical comedy. You must suspend your work-a-day judgments and give yourself over to characters and situations larger than life.

OTHERWISE, you're apt to be shocked by the book. You may get all upset about young girls playing "chiski," (a tease game where points are scored according to the extent the male victim is lured without capitulation on the part of the female; "froter," another interesting game; deviously wise youngsters; and so on, for this book has the Francon Sagan approach in its frankness and could be terrifying if you're going to take it at face value.

However, as a bedroom farce (is this possible in a girls school? But most of the discussions and a lot of the actions do take place in the girls' bedrooms), it comes off pretty well.

NOW FOR an explanation of the title, "Deep-Freeze," which will give you a pretty good idea of the tenor of this romp. Deep-Freeze is something into which teenage daughters of the filthy rich are dumped.

In this case, it is the fashionable Swiss finishing school, whose job is to keep the girls' passions on ice and to turn out virgins for the upper-class market. This is quite a battle, with the girls winning more skirmishes than the headmistress in a cold war against the encroachment of sex within the sacred walls of the Villa Joyeuse.

ON THE side of "Joie de vivre" in this quietly wild instruction is Penny, bitter and filled with revolt because her father flaunts a mistress in her mother's face; Vanessa who has tried love, was betrayed and is so viciously vengeful towards all men; Chouchou, an innocent who is almost delirious by the others; Birga, who tries to murder her roommate because she has lured Birga's father into a marriage of convenience; Carlo who is . . .

. . . Well, you'll just have to read the book to have a look for yourself at the whole lovely collection.

AND WHILE you may be pleasantly outraged, you won't be sickened. For in spite of all its sometimes gory detail, the book is so lightly written and so blown up of proportion, that it is almost funny.

Yet as in all comedy, there is patos, for all their worldliness, these are girls who have themselves been deeply hurt by thoughtless parents.

There is not one among them whose parents are not living apart or divorced and did not care to cope with difficult periods in their children's lives.

IT'S HARD to believe, but the author claims that the story is based on "reality as I know it today." It's a little hard to dispute her statement for she claims to have been a Deep-Freeze girl herself.

However, as we said in the beginning, it's just too far-fetched to be true.

We cling grimly to this hope to preserve our faith in next generation—and firmly believe that respect has magnified the situation and that the author has made liberal use of the fiction writer's privilege to make a good story a

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## Fire

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FOLLOWING THE war the group was able to rent the pavilion, courtesy of the Cranbrook Foundation. The first production there was in the fall of 1946.

St. Dunstan's had improved and added to its original stage facilities, the membership working nights to assemble and install a new switchboard.

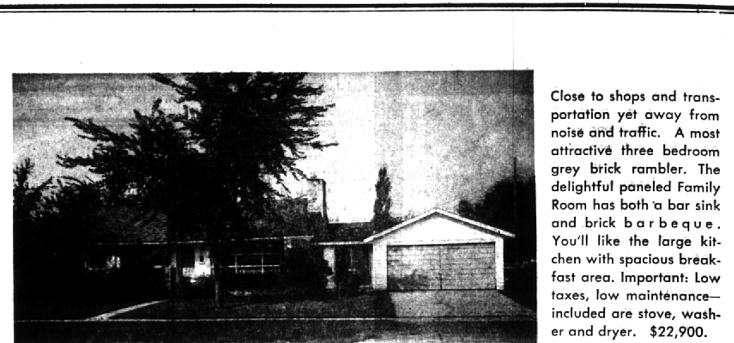
The playhouse also has been used for other purposes. Sometime in the 1950's the Cranbrook Academy of Art took over the building as a gallery. Exhibits were held there until the early 1940's when the permanent galleries were built.

The pavilion's name was changed informally to St. Dunstan's Playhouse.

## Michigan Colleges Get Aetna Grants

Twelve Michigan colleges and universities have received \$125 from the Aetna Life Affiliated Companies, part of nearly \$60,000 being distributed nationally to 314 schools under the companies' aid to higher education program.

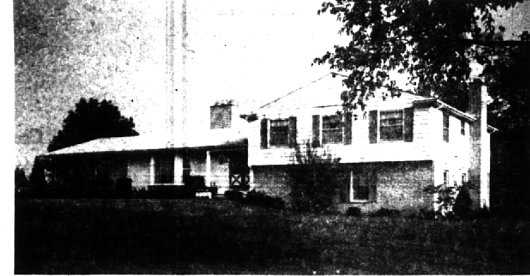
Dans Scotus College received the largest grant in the state, \$500. Others were Albion College, Calvin College, University of Detroit, Hillsdale College, Holy Ghost Mission and firmly believe that respect has magnified the situation and that the author has made liberal use of the fiction writer's privilege to make a good story a Michigan University.



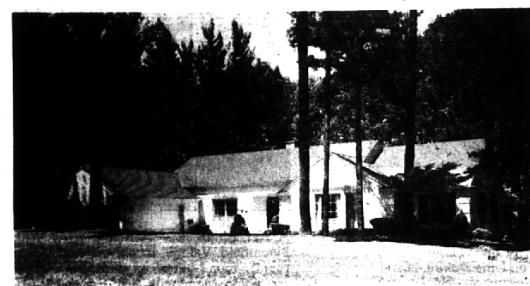
Close to shops and transportation yet away from noise and traffic. A most attractive three bedroom grey brick rambler. The delightful paneled Family Room has both a bar sink and brick barbecue. You'll like the large kitchen with spacious breakfast area. Important: Low taxes, low maintenance—includes are stove, washer and dryer. \$22,900.



It's a "honey"—this little-big house. In Birmingham on a beautiful 100x130 ft. tree-shaded lot. Three bedrooms, 22 ft. living room with fireplace, paneled and heated porch, 2 car att. garage. Sizeable kitchen with refrigerator, stove, washer and dryer included. Fenced rear yard. An exciting "package" at \$16,950.



Rolling terrain, ravine site and the distant music of bells from Kirk-in-the-Hills. The house is completely charming with big, inviting rooms throughout, three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths (the master bath has a "his & her" privazone arrangement). The family room is oak paneled and has an inviting brick fireplace, terrific kitchen (equipped), huge unfinished space on lower level for 2 more bedrooms and bath. \$46,500.



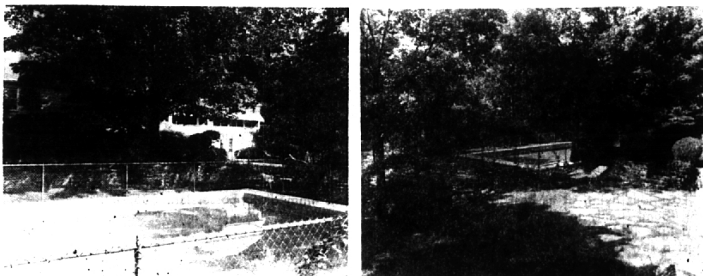
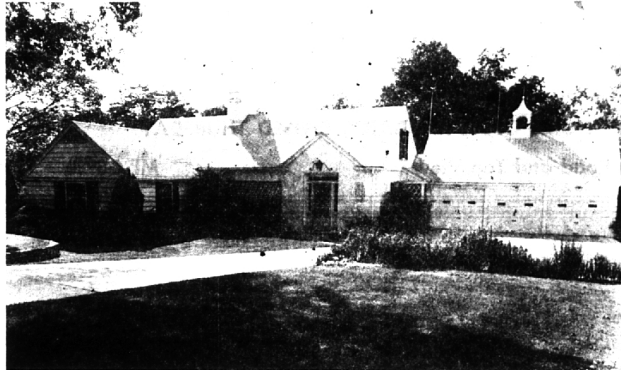
With access to both Forest Lake and Lower Long Lake via channels winding around islands and under a bridge. Here is fun and adventure! The house is a delight with beautiful views in every direction. Basic facts such as four bedrooms (a fifth is possible) 3 1/2 baths, family room, rec room (exposed on lower level) completely equipped kitchen, tell only half the story. Arrangement, livability, detailing and charm are the "plus" values that warm the heart.



Horses! Dogs! — Humans! — and all three will have their respective accommodations here. Ten acres (more available) near Plymouth. House: 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room, separate dining room, family room, big kitchen. Two barns (one with apartment above) 7 box stalls, tack room, 7 kennels, fenced concrete run, large exercise ring. It's terrific—seeing is believing—let us show you! \$47,500.



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