

*[BJW Note: Comparing life and times of different generations via diaries can be very interesting to me.]*

## Diary of a sixteen year old in 1937.

**Monday, February 8, 1937**

### **WITH FAMILY**

Life has been pretty good to me lately, as a matter of fact, it's been wonderful.

Yesterday afternoon, [Sun 2/7], Uncle Reiny, Anna, and I went to the Union College Organ recital by Dr. Tidmarsch. It was very good.

From there we went to Aunt Rosie's for Uncle Rudy's and Aunt Marie's farewell party. It was also Herman Thron's party. I ate so much that I thought I would burst. Toward going home time, everybody started crying; what a time! Wally, Wormy and I sat on Aunt Rosie's stairs and "bawled". Eleanor and Dorothy were watching us and laughing. Uncle Rudy, Aunt Marie and Herman are leaving tonight at 11:00 p.m. It will be odd not having them in this country.

Anna, Uncle Reiny and I went to see Romeo & Juliet at the Erie, **Friday**.

It was a wonderful picture. I argued with Bill Simmons about it all during English class today. He thinks it's dopey.

### **IN SCHOOL**

Mr. Spaine has become very strict about loitering in the halls lately, so Doris, Evelyn, Martha & Ruth can't walk around after school; are they burned?

Doris and I have composed several songs concerning the "Gay Cavaliers" and much to our disappointment they are now the "Pleasant Merchants". So our songs don't work. Doris and I found out that Eddie is the "Blond Blizzard" and Freddie the "Flying Dutchman".

**February 15, 1937**

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I am very angry at Mrs. Clark. Just because she is the supreme ruler of this study hall doesn't mean that she can move me from Doris for no really definite reason.



### **AND WITH HER FRIENDS**

*The reading gets to be a lot more fun and we learn a more about her life in the city, school and gym.*

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