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FROM WELLINGTON, New Zealand, comes an interesting observation. Speaking before a general meeting of the Wellington Youth council, J. Shallcrass, vice principal, Wellington Teachers' Training College, avowed: "Youth's problems are that of understanding parents." Here, there, and everywhere!

Young people are dependent upon their parents for their well being. Young people must have reasonably satisfactory relationships with the adults in their own homes--before they can expect to cope with the larger adult population.

But young people, with distressing regularity, make their homes battlegrounds where there can be no victors and misery is everyone's companion.

There can be no questioning the fact that very often the complaints that are made about parents are true.

It is true that some parents are impossible. It is true that some do not understand their offspring.

It is true that they very often will not cut the cord or the apron strings.

It is true that they very often show little respect for the opinions of young people, acting in an unfeeling, dictatorial manner. BUT, IT IS also true that young people are

aware of all of this.

They know their parents well. They know what to expect of them, what they

will permit and what they will forbid. Young people know just what methods are

necessary to maintain peaceful relations. What young people seem not to understand about their parents is the fact that parents are

the way that they are. Parents are not going to change because

Junior shouts or bellows or pouts. Parents are not going to rearrange them-selves to fit Junior's demands.

Parents feel that they have struggled and worked and suffered to learn what they have

learned, and now it's Junior's turn. Parents are not going to let Junior make them over--and the more he tries, the more

dissension there will be. That's why Junior has to understand that he must adjust to his parents.

The problem that young people have, is to understand that becoming an irresistable force that deals with an immovable object gets nobody anywhere.

The only person in the world you can be sure changing, is you.

YOUNG PEOPLE must use the intelligence and the experience that they have had in all their years of living with adults to help them avoid estrangements.

The New Zealand educator contended in his speech that some youngsters at the ages of 11, 12, and 13, can think as maturely as adults.

If this is true, then certainly the older teens can think with depth and maturity.

When they stop working at being "misun-derstood," and work toward understanding the parents with which they are endowed, surely the teen years will stop being so distressingly difficult for everyone.



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We are most grateful to you and your entire staff for your cooperation and generosity.

Sincerely yours, H. P. Fitzgerald, Principal

Dear Miss Key,

I've just written a "Thank-you" to Mr. Herb Kaufman re: Highland Patrol Guards.

However, I could not send it without another "Thank-you" to you. Without your unselfish service as intermediary, the luncheon hosted by Mr. Kaufman would never have come to pass.

Our Highland School life has been greatly enriched this year due to your publication of our programs in the "VOICE"

> Sincerely, Mabel W. Hoggard



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