



TOT TALK

Every New Bern mother looks forward to her baby's first birthday. If it's the first baby in the house, there's quite a celebration, with a lovely cake that is topped with a single candle.

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MERCURY Too close to the sun to be visible.

VENUS Well up in the eastern sky at sunrise.

MARS In Cancer. High overhead at midnight.

JUPITER Too close to the sun to be visible.

SATURN In Capricornus. Visible in the west after sunset.

THE MOON First quarter, Mar. 2; Full, Mar. 10; Last quarter, Mar. 18; New, Mar. 25.

SPECIAL THIS MONTH First day of spring on the 21st at 3 a.m.

AT THE MOREHEAD PLANETARIUM
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SKIES "DOWN UNDER"

Starting Mar. 9 at 8:30 p.m.
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youngster of yours won't enjoy the occasion particularly. For one thing, he or she won't appreciate being fussed over, and pulled and poked at by admiring relatives and friends.

Babies, more often than not,

suffer from too much attention. Not the sort of attention that an infant actually requires, but the affectionate pestering that is usually their lot.

In the first 12 months spent on earth they are too helpless to do much about it, but this helplessness won't last long. Very shortly you'll be confronted with a brat who is as energetic as a greedy bumblebee, as stubborn as a mule, and as nagging as a neglected toothache.

Maybe you've figured on this ahead of time. Perhaps you've even worked out an elaborate plan to assure you of the perfect child. So perfect, in fact, that he will never sass you, refuse to eat the proper food, or insist on staying up late.

You've probably read all the books available on child care, and now you know all the

answers. We've got bad news for you. You're going to flop as parents, just like every other New Bernian. What the books said isn't going to work out the way you were told.

Your child may be a better child, as a result of your guidance and your love. It's something to hope and pray for, anyway. But after the first year, Junior has a mind of his own. He is an individual, and unless you break his spirit (which isn't

good) he'll grow progressively individualistic.

You'd better enjoy that first birthday party, and keep your fingers crossed.

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