

Young Kids, Old Kids Help To Split

That Fabled Generation Gap

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BRADLEY — This is the kind of story that Vice President and Senator Barry Goldwater feel the press ignores. It's about kids — good kids. It's about older kids doing

something for the younger kids six nights a week.

Together they've split the "Generation Gap" and with a five buck investment have set this town humming.

The story might never have been written had it not been for

some other kids — not really bad kids — just kids with no place to go, nothing to do, but walk the streets of this tiny community and do the things all kids do when they have nothing to do.

About a year ago these kids

told a constable they were out throwing snowballs because, what else is there to do on a winter's night in Bradley—shoot pool, watch tv, or, walk the streets?

Bradley Constable Edwin Godin told State Trooper Bernard

Lindsey of Troop E. Orono, what the kids had told him. The Rev. Dana Miller heard and so did Principal Alan Pelletier of Bradford Elementary School.

Together they sampled the attitude of the people in Brad-

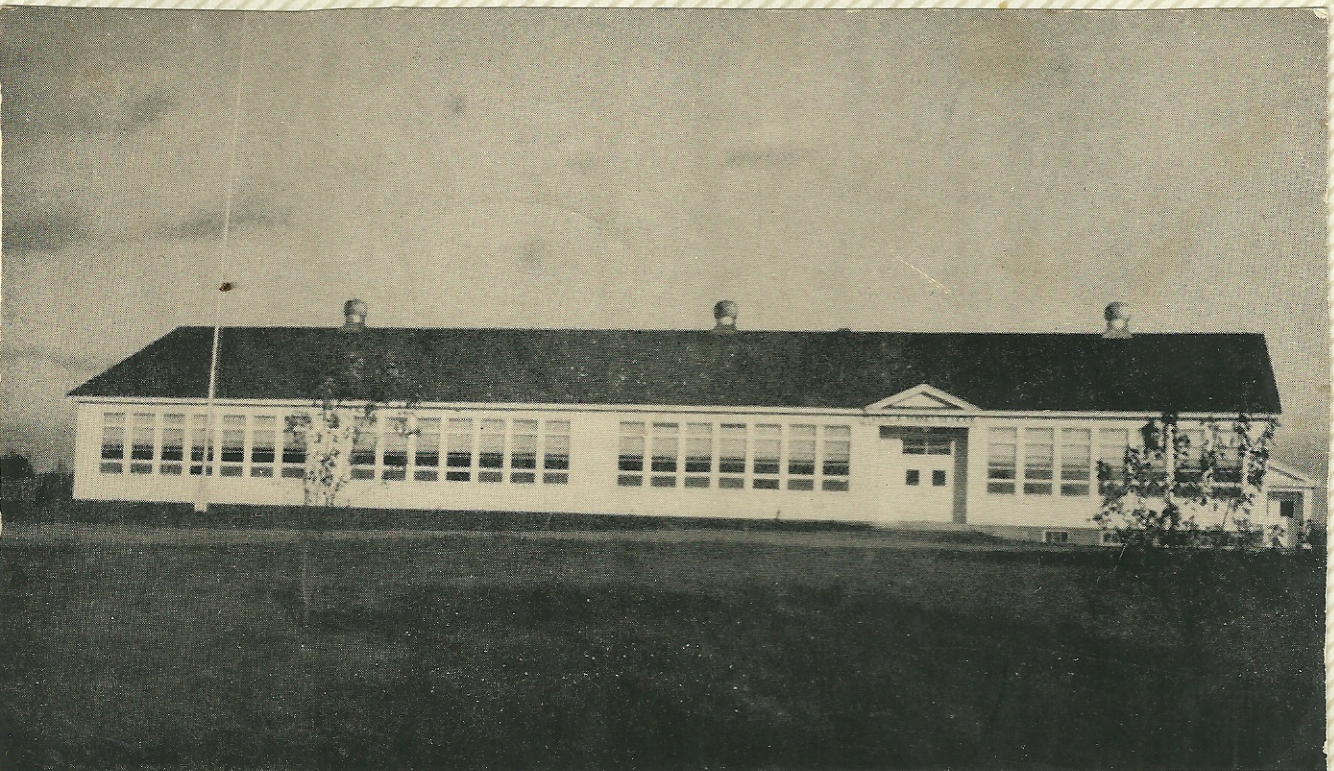
ley about an idea to start a youth center.

Sixty adults, who obviously felt the foursome had a good idea, showed up at an organizational meeting in March. It took little time for the group to draft up an article and insert it

in the town warrant asking Bradley to let the teens use the old town hall.

Seldom used, except at such special town meetings, Bradley voters unanimously supported their youth at the meeting. It

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VIOLA RAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL — BRADLEY, MAINE



These four teachers in Bradley pose here during 1949. Identified are, l to r: Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Cram, Mrs. Rand and Mrs. Hollis. The town hall is present in the background.



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