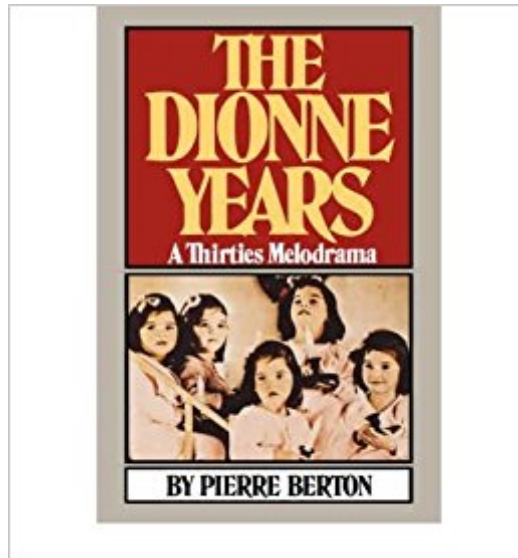




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# The Dionne Years: A Thirties Melodrama



## Synopsis

Examines the lives of the Dionne quintuplets, five identical girls who were born in 1934 and spent the first nine years of their lives separated from their parents and exploited by the media and the Canadian government. The story of the Dionne identical quintuplets, born in Ontario Canada in May 1934. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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## Customer Reviews

I have always been fascinated by the Dionne quintuplets. Their story is heartbreaking. It's hard to believe that such a tragedy ever occurred. I would have enjoyed it if the book discussed their adult lives further. I'm interested in how their upbringing affected them. The Dionne Years: A Thirties Melodrama is filled with details. It focuses a lot on what was happening behind-the-scenes and the legal battle between Dad vs. Doctor. I was hoping there would be more information on the girls themselves - their personality types, their relationship (I can't imagine how close they must have been), and how this trauma impacted them. I know that the Dionne quintuplets did eventually write a book of their own, and I'll most likely read that - but this book did give me a greater understanding about what exactly occurred and how something so peculiar unfolded the way that it did.

Detailed account and well written. It was hard to put the book down. The author did a good job of explaining the outlook of the times and it was interesting to see how peoples' attitudes changed as the girls grew up. I would like to have read more about the Quintuplets' personal lives when they were older, but guess I'll have to read their autobiography for that. Good job.

I have read this book so many times, I literally wore it out, and ordered another copy of it. I have a great interest in the Dionne Quintuplets, since I am related to them. It really told the story of how they fought for their lives, and how the fight to save them created a rift between the family and the medical team, and then in the family itself after they were reunited with them at nine years of age. A very tragic story. A great read for anyone who has an interest in these remarkable children who beat great odds and survived when no one thought they would.

This book is not quite what I was expecting, though that may well be my own fault. I purchased this when I was unable to find the autobiography of the girls at a reasonable price. This reads more like a documentary, and is a little dry, telling more of facts, and less of people's feelings and perspectives.

This book was VERY interesting. Had heard about these ladies and their life but wanted to read more to find out the truth. WOW is all I can say. After reading this I read into their later lives. So sad that this happened to them and they had to live through all the things they did. Glad I got this book.

Very interesting!

The book was more than I expected...was very thorough about the younger years of the Dionne quints, the doctor who was just plain nuts, and the father, who I believed loved his children, but hey...if the doctor and the government were going to make all this money of the quints....why shouldn't he? The book is worth purchasing!

Sad, but fascinating story. Hopefully we have learned from this tragedy so that it would never be repeated again.

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