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THIS DAFFY DOCUMENTARY probes the era of primitive sexuality, i.e., the Fifties. It was a time of slow dances, dry humps and circle jerks, of girls practicing French kisses on one another and guys mastering the art of unhooking a bra with one hand. Director Obie Benz mixes old newsreels, sex-education films ("Don't do a don't"), clips from teen-date flicks (the howl is watching John Saxon pressing Luana Patten to go all the way in 1956's *Rock, Pretty Baby*) and twenty-three personal interviews. The late Abbie Hoffman confides that he and his pals tried to fill a milk bottle with their sperm. Sandra Bernhard recalls playing doctor; she let a boy give her a shot in the butt in return for a Fudgsicle. David Byrne says he thought jerking off would exhaust his semen supply and leave him dry at eighteen. All this and more await those who enter this wickedly witty time warp. (NR)