

# Al Umnus Says Time and Guilford Eternal

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Mr. Al Umnus is the pseudonym for a graduate who was a regular columnist on our staff for over two years. He is presently studying the human side of humans at a distant school. Those who remember his columns should have little difficulty remembering his real name which is not given here for reasons various and sundry.

## Scum and Some . . . By Al Umnus

I look at Gilda. You remember her, Gilda, part Hedy Lamarr, part Lana Turner, and the rest, the stuff you put in your coffee after you add cream. Sure, you remember her, Me dirt-digging partner, me slave, me harem-in-one number, me pigeon. Yeh, I look at Gilda. Then I ease out a long sigh.

"Smatter, boss?" A kiss curve coming into her lips when she says, "boss." I think about taking advantage of it but The Pink Rat is full, it's pretty late and I'm tired.

"Nothing, heast," I mutter. "Nothin' . . ."  
"You make me sick!" You've been sitting there for the past 15 minutes with that pin-head cerebrum of yours 60 light years in stellar space. And when I ask a simple question, turn the heart dead to Motherly Attitude-Extra-Sympathetic, all I get is, "Nothin'." Temper always throws a sunset in her eyes. The blazing kind.

"I was thinking, baby," I answer. "Bringing cats and empty milk bottles in and winding the clock backwards. The cob-web-spinning-the spider sort of thing. Let's get out of here!"

The air smells cleaner outside, and down the street a baby whirlwind plays with a rattler of leaves. I hear Gilda's feet crunching the sandy sidewalk, light and gentle. Turn left, then right and on. Grass now, bleaching brown with green roots. We come to a monument to somebody and stop and sit on its base. Across the park, street lights guard a thoroughfare. Behind one is a maple, beautifully strip-teasing. A gliter of red and gold and green caught half-lifted in air.

And suddenly I'm thinking of other maples, flipping the memory pages backward faster now to last year, the one before that and further. Another school, another place. I forget Gilda, the monument, the park, as if I had stretched one hand across the miles and touched something like—gold and followed, amoeba—like, that hand.

I could see it plainly now. The kiss-me-quick-tree, the fader, drab entrance to King, the magnolias in front of Founders. My old room, my roommate, my friends. The walks with shower bath slabs when it rained. Stuffed peppers, always stuffed peppers. The plot of seeded red mud they called "Parson's Folly." The rasping dry throats of water faucets. The barn burning, the games when hearts ran high and temperatures low. The gossipy friendliness so complete that everyone knew even when you changed underwear. The span of distant hills, the bustled dam, the water tower. Rat Court and The Sacred

Dog of Siberia. High Point. Charlie's Hallowed Hall of sinkers and Java with somebody's foot-prints on the outside walls. T-tissue streaming from trees. M-3, the monastery of science. S. A. B. The stage, the plays, the post-drama massacre. The atoms of work and fun to make up an A-bomb called "Happiness." And all the beloved characters, faculty and students who created such, intermingled like spore.

I feel warm fingers clasping mine and I remember Gilda. I look at her, and even in the dimness, her eyes are shiny. I hope the fact I've got a cold takes care of the wetness in mine.

We get up and I light a fag while she watches me. "It was a grand place, wasn't it, boss?"

"What'd'ya mean, grand place? I was thinking about the posterior lamella of the lumbo-dorsal fascia." I lie. I take a deep drag on the cig and the smoke hits bottom and curls back.

"Oh, you make me sick . . ." she starts out again, but I stop her and kiss her. Later when we break for air, I shake her.

"Make that past tense present, baby. Guilford IS a grand place." "That much I'm certain is eternal. That and Tucker's and Time."

## Basketballers Work Out

Last Friday the Guilford College basketball team scrimmaged against the cadets from Oak Ridge Military School. The Quakers, led by Mann with 11 points, came out on the long end of a 56-44 score.

The Quakers, who led by only two points at half time, put on the pressure in the second half, and outscored the Cadets by 10 points in this period.

In winning this game, the Quakers did not look very impressive. In considering the short time they have been working out, however, they did as well as could be expected. This scrimmage against the small but scrappy and fast Oak Ridge team showed Coach Paul Lentz the phases of the game he will have to strengthen. It also showed that GG' Bob Woodall will be of much help on retrieving rebounds. Woodall is also pretty deadly with a push shot from around the foul circle.

Some other boys who look like they might help the Quaker basketball cause are Earl Tyson and Bill Osteen. These two will probably be moved up from the J. V. team.

Mann, Woodall, Tyson and Osteen, along with last year's leaders, Ralls, Johns, Venable, Hall, Ferrell, Coward and Wright, and Elkins who is returning after a year's absence, may prove to be one of the North State Conference's top basketball combinations.



These students will represent Guilford College at the North Carolina Student Legislature from December 1 through 3. They are (left to right): front row, Sam Baker and John Clark; second row, J. D. Kaitreider and Garland Rakestraw; back row, James T. Benjamin, Morton Salkind, and Ben Hardison. Absent when the picture was taken were Betty Jane Hughes and Ellis Love.

# Political-Minded Group Is Selected for Legislature

The Student Affairs Board has announced the names of the students who will represent Guilford College in the North Carolina Student Legislature to be held in Raleigh on December 1, 2 and 3. Guilford will be represented in the Senate by Betty Jane Hughes of Greensboro, Morton Salkind of New York, N. Y., Garland Rakestraw of Stoneville, and Sam Baker of Greensboro. The delegates to the House will be John Clark of Griffon, James T. Benjamin of Greensboro, and Ben Hardison, also of Greensboro. The two students who will be alternates are Ellis Love of Mt. Airy, and J. D. Kaitreider of Mayodan.

For all but one of the delegates, this is the first time they are representing Guilford in the Legislature. This will be the third time that John Clark has been a member of the Guilford delegation to the House. Mr. Clark is also co-chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Legislature, and is the Guilford member of the Interim Council, which is the executive committee of the Legislature.

The Legislature was organized in 1936 to give students in the colleges and universities of the state firsthand experience in drawing up and passing bills, in the same manner as is done in the state legislature and in Congress. There is an active interest taken in the Legislature by Governor Scott, and this year, as in the past, he will receive and welcome the delegates. The delegates will then separate, the Senate and House each going to its own chamber, and will go right to work. The representatives are looking forward to seeing many good bills passed, and hope that this year, as in the past, the Student Legislature will start the framework for many good bills to be passed by the actual Legislature.

Guide: "This is a skyscraper."  
Old Lady: "Oh, my, I'd love to see it work."

# Willamette University Adopts Cheating Rules

Salem, Ore.—(I.P.)—A resolution designed to provide uniform control of cheating problems on the campus of Willamette University has been adopted by the faculty. The resolution, along with other rules and regulations, has been put into a new administrative handbook that will be issued to all students this year.

The resolution says, in effect, that any student who is charged with cheating has committed an act of dishonesty against the university, and therefore he will be dealt with by the discipline committee rather than the individual professor concerned. The student will be turned over to the committee after the professor has reported the case to the appropriate dean.

Dean Raymond Withey, who announced the measure, pointed out that in the past there have been unfair situations in which the punishment for two different students has varied for the same offense.

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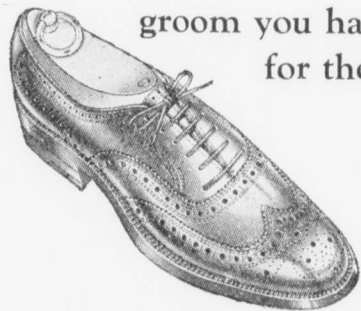
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