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"SERIOUS THOUGHTS"

Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.—Proverbs 12:1.

Nothing is so contagious as enthusiasm; it moves stones, it charms brutes. Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity, and truth accomplishes no victories without it.—Bulwer.

EDITORIAL



Something Must Be Done!

—Bob Peeler

Last month all North Carolina school bells once again tolled the opening of the fall term of public school. Before the opening, as now, there was a great deal of worry and displeasure in the minds of school leaders because of the shortage of teachers.

Look in any daily paper and what do you see? Classified advertisements from superintendents in search of teachers and principals fill the pages.

The shortage is something which really is serious. And why should not it be serious? The salaries which North Carolina pays its teachers is a downright shame and a disgrace. Economic conditions in the state are now at an all time high, but the teachers' salaries are still at the same all time low level.

Consider the amount of training a teacher needs and how much money she must spend, on this education; and also consider that she works only nine months during a year. Now, do not you also agree that the compensation that a teacher receives for her work is really shameful?

It is true that the state of North Carolina has fine, well-equipped school buildings, but of what good are they if the state cannot pay a teacher enough money to make her profession profitable.

Every year more and more of our teachers are either changing professions because of more decent wages in other fields, or they are leaving the state to teach in a state where teachers' salaries are higher. You may ask why teachers do such a thing. They do it simply because North Carolina pays its teachers lower wages than does almost every other state in the union.

It is a pitiable situation. North Carolina has a surplus of several million dollars in her treasury, and she is in excellent financial condition. Yet, she cannot increase the salaries of her teachers simply because her people do not realize the critical situation; and, if they do realize it, they are afraid to relieve the situation because of political reasons.

Something must be done soon to raise teachers' salaries, because the whole future of North Carolina's school system depends largely upon this one factor.



Mr.
and
Miss
L.
H.
S.



BOB PEELER, MARY ANNE HUNT

M. A. H. and M. A. H.

The LEXHIPEP resumes its old column and substitutes for "Popular Pickins'" of last year "Mr. and Mrs. L. H. S.", choosing a senior boy and girl each month by popular vote for the senior class.

We are fortunate in finding two very popular seniors gazing at the advertisements of "The Strange Love of Martha Ivers" this afternoon. They are none other than Mary Anne Hunt and Robert George Peeler.

Mary Anne is 5 ft. 6, blonde headed, fair complexioned and has a very nice figure. She likes wide belts, royal blue, football, selling Christmas cards, people, camel walk, bangs, and Ern's T-model. She's made quite a collection of wide belts, and she wears a lot of royal blue; so you see she not only likes them but wears them also. She dislikes fire-alarms, ticklish left knees (she has one), vacuum cleaners, snakes, wild Indians, and Duke.

Mary Anne's college is the University of Alabama, but she is unable to get in. That's tough, 'cause Mary Anne was born in Alabama and likes it very much. But second choices are W. C. and Carolina.

Mary Anne's profession isn't just limited to one but several. She wishes to be a forest ranger, vocalist, professional ballroom dancer, a model, and a social worker. She certainly is going to have a busy life, but if anyone can accomplish it she can.

In her leisure time you will find her giving Betty Claire (her lil sister) down the country "Night and Day" is her favorite song, and "Rhapsody in Blue" comes second.

Her ambition is to put handles on dixie cups—also to drive E. Clyde's car without having one or more of the occupants scared to death.

Mary Anne, better known as A. J., is a member of the Tri-Hi-Y, Honor Society, Beta Club, Quill and Scroll, LEXICON Staff (business manager), Cotillion Club, and Etiquette Club. She is also an outstanding cheerleader. Here's to ya! A. J.!!!

Bob Peeler, our Mr. L. H. S. for this month, is tall, dark, and handsome(?) His likes are many. First of all is bananas, then comes Catawba, onions, ice cream, M. A. H.'s (all of them), golf, basketball, football, steak (5 inches thick), and women (none in particular). You can see by his likes that he should be real easy to get along with, and he is. His dislike (quote) liver (but def.) (unquote). Then he dislikes Carolina, ignorant people, conceited people, partiality, gossipy people.

His college preferences are Catawba and Duke. It must run in the family, 'cause his brother and sister went to Catawba and his father went to Duke.

Bob's profession is undecided, but he is thinking about law.

Having fun is his favorite pastime (your guess is as good as ours as to what kind of fun!). Peeler's favorite songs are "To Each His Own" and "Temptation."

His activities are LEXHIPEP (literary editor), Cotillion Club, Etiquette Club, Honor Society (treasurer), President of the Senior Class, Hi-Y, Quill and Scroll, Beta Club, Football (3 years), Tennis (2 years), Basketball (2 years). Bob said, when interviewed, that he wanted to be a big business man and make a lot of money and go places and have fun.

We know that you'll succeed, Peeler. You're O.K.