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## SERIOUS THOUGHTS

"... for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God."—Galatians 3:26.

The whole world will become a brotherhood as men learn to serve God as friends.—Selected.

## PAINLESS EDUCATION

—Harriet Leonard

The latest wrinkle in education has been reported by Dr. C. E. Elliott, of the University of North Carolina, who says that students, by turning on a whispering phonograph record which plays in their pillows while they are asleep, can memorize or describe the information on the record when they awake far more quickly than the students who did not hear the record. This sounds like the age-old hope that babies could be fed encyclopedias page by page and thus know at an early age everything there is possible to know.

Imagine going to bed at night with no hope of passing a history exam next day and waking up spouting dates of important battles and names of explorers. When a friend says, "We're going to have a surprise math test this afternoon" one will simply take a short nap at lunch to brush up on those formulas. Instead of inviting a friend over to study, one will invite him over for a snooze.

But there seems to be a few flaws in this almost-perfect answer to a student's prayer. If the market is flooded with educational records, what will happen to music records? The recording stars will have to change their techniques completely. They will have to have a Master's Degree as well as a smooth voice. Instead of Frankie crooning "It's Magic," he will whisper sweet nothings about French grammar in your ear. There will be such records as "Important Dates of the French Revolution" by Dinah Shore, and "First Three Lessons in Algebra II" by Nelson Eddy.

Young gals will be swooning over Mel Torme's "velvet fog" rendition of "Basic Formula in First Year Chemistry." Couples will dance to records like "Rules for Writing Themes," narrated by Perry Como in three-fourths time, or "Lecture on the Digestive System of the Bullfrog" by Thomas L. Thomas, with incidental music by the Boston Pops Orchestra. Between toots, Harry James will have to say a few words about what the square of the hypotenuse equals.

Besides outmoding music, it would interfere with having those romantic dreams everyone enjoys so much. Instead of dreaming about dancing with Jim, rules for outlining stories in English will dance through one's head. And if the record gets stuck just as Paul Revere is about to get on his horse, he would waste so much time that the Battle of Lexington would be over by the time he finally gets mounted, and history would be changed completely.

# Mr. & Miss L. H. S.

By Carolyn



What is this we see? Could that be two pupils from L. H. S. playing hookey? We don't exactly blame them for wanting to go fishing on this nice spring day, though. Those faces seem to be familiar. Oh, yes, that's Juanita Smith and Bob Clodfelter, our Mr. and Miss L. H. S. for this month.

Let's stop them for a few minutes to find out just a little something about them. We find that Juanita likes apple pie with ice cream, pretty clothes (we can tell that by the neat clothes she wears), having fun at the "Follies," second period (what could be the drawing card?), being lazy with nothing to do, and walking in the rain. Her dislikes are: going to school with spring fever, exams, and sarcasm.

Her ambition is to be happy (now what could she mean by that? We thought everyone was happy at dear ole L. H. S.). W.C.U.N.C. is her college preference. "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" is her favorite song. Juanita's favorite pastime is spending week ends at "the lake" in the sun. (Who doesn't?)

She is in the Beta Club, Honor Society, president of the Quill and Scroll, Tri-Hi-Y, and is a member of the LEXICON staff.

We find that Bob's likes are girls (now is your chance, girls), nice school teachers, good food, all sports, and new cars. His dislikes seem to be common ones. They are work, green beans, tests and exams, homework, and bums. His college preference is Wake Forest. "Ole Man River" is his favorite song.

Bob is in the Beta Club and is treasurer of the Key Club.

Well, we'll let our Mr. and Miss L. H. S. continue their fishing as we go on our way.

## TRY LAUGHING

—Evelyn Fulbright

Laughter remains one of the riddles of human nature. In searching for what provokes laughter, psychologists began by distinguishing three kinds of situations—wit, comedy, and humor. Wit is largely intellectual in its creation and in its appreciation—bright as lightning and with no more warning. Comedy deals with ridiculous situations and is the most common cause of laughter in children. Humor has to do with subtle perceptions about human feeling and is found in the kindest and most mature amusement. There are two kinds of humor—barbaric and civilized. Barbaric humor is enjoyed by those who like to hurt other people while playing their silly pranks, and then laughing at the results. Civilized humor is enjoyed by all, even the one upon which the pranks are played. Which type of humor have you?

A person's success and happiness depend largely upon his attitude toward life. A mischievous boy can pull a prank in one class and everyone will laugh, including the teacher; while if he pulls the same prank in another class, he might be made to stay in or even be expelled from that class for the year. The result will be determined by the teacher's attitude toward life, and what the world needs today is a little more understanding and humor. However, on many occasions we deserve the condemnation we get and should take it seriously and try to remedy the fault that is being criticized.

There is an old saying that as we grow older we laugh over the things we once wept about and weep over the things we once laughed about. Years from now, we may be laughing at the problems that loom so large to us now. All of us take ourselves and our little problems too seriously. Instead of getting tense and upset when people hurl words at us, why not try to see the humor of the situation?