



GREGORY GRIFFIN, center, cuts his birthday cake. (See Hopping About Tarheelia for story).

DEAR SALLY

BY SALLY SHAW
DEAR SALLY: I'm a fellow of 18. I've been dating more or less regularly with a cute girl of 17 for the past couple of months. Last night, after going to a movie, we were having hamburgers in a snack shop when three other fellows—friends of mine and former dates of hers—came in and sat with us in our booth. We had a real good time together for a while, until one of these guys came up with the very brilliant idea of

matching coins to see who would take my girl home. I started to veto the idea right away, but my girl popped out with "What a cute idea!" So the coins began to flip, one of the other fellows won, and off he went with my date. I'm very much burned up about this, and I think I've had my last date with this girl. What do you think about it? H.G.

DEAR H.G.: I think that any girl who thinks it's "cute" to be won in a coin-matching

game deserves no more of your time or consideration.

DEAR SALLY: Our daughter, age 20, insists that she has fallen in love "at first sight" with a certain man that works in the office where she is employed. She is drooling around the house so much about this, that it has us worried. Do you think there's really such a thing as love at first sight? We'd appreciate your views on this so that we'll know how to

talk with our daughter about it.
MOM 'N' POP:
DEAR MOM 'N' POP: I think it's quite possible to be smitten at first sight, and then discover over a period of time that it's love. But quite often, too, that first look, that first sudden impact, can better be called infatuation—and this many times fails to hold up. Real genuine love is something that takes root and grows degree by degree. It's a discovering, through the sharing of experiences, that the other person is really as fine and wonderful as you thought him to be during that "first sight."

DEAR SALLY: The girl I've been going with for sometime is cute, attractive, a good dresser, and very chick in every way... except for one glaring habit. She's a fingernail chews, and I mean she really CHEWS them—and they spoil her appearance very much. Her nails embarrass me, and I'm sure they embarrass her, too—because she seems to make special efforts all the time to hide her hands as much as possible. Could you suggest anything I might say in an effort to persuade her to stop biting her nails? BUD

DEAR BUD: Nail-biting stems from an emotional disturbance or nervousness, and I doubt that any out-and-out suggestions from you would do much good. Perhaps, though, if you took an indirect approach, such as expressing a big admiration for this and that other girl's "pretty, well-kept hands and nails," she might make an extra-special effort to control her urge to chew on her nails.

DEAR SALLY: My fiance wants to set our wedding date in Octo-

ber to coincide with a convention his company is sending him to at that time. He thinks this would be a marvelous way to get an "expenses-paid" honeymoon. But when I think of a honeymoon made up of daily business conferences and nightly drinking parties, I just don't like the idea. Do you think I should take a stand on this matter and insist on a different date for our wedding? J.H.L.

DEAR J.H.L.: It's the inalienable right of the bride to set the wedding date, and if you don't want to honeymoon at a business convention, pick a different date... and I certainly wouldn't blame you.

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III
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IV
But, so pleasant are these memories, That will live on through the years— For here's an amaranth, so safely bosomed, Among God's souvenirs, By Wm. D. HARGRAVE Bridgeport, Conn.



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