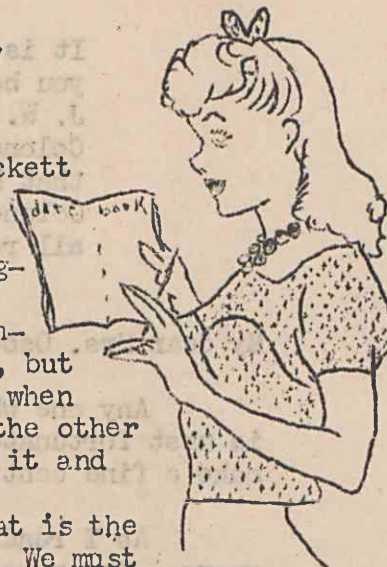


OLD MAIDS ROW

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It is a funny thing what love will make us do. We have been begging Pearl Carpenter to let us read one of those letters from Jim Southards that make her eyes sparkle so, but we have never succeeded. However, when she received a cablegram from him the other day she proudly let all of us read it and smile with her.

We are beginning to wonder what is the matter with the girls in Lawndale? We must be slipping for a nice-looking young man, Mr.

Odus Whitworth has spent almost six weeks here in the heart of town and not once has he been found dating any of our girls. However, he seems to be getting rather chummy with Pauline Carpenter, Mr. Hart's new secretary. We have been trying to ply Cupid between two other nice, young people, namely ... Miss Carrie Lee Weaver and Mr. W. W. Young, the Agriculture teacher at Piedmont but it seems that we need a little more co-operation from them.

Our hats are off to Howard Wease for his high ambition in a new business career. He has taken over the Soda Shop next door to the Rogers Theatre and doing right well for himself. Here is where all of the elite of Lawndale has been gathering for "fun n' food" before or after the show.

All of you remember the little guy that wore his hair like Clyde R. Hoey or Tarzan, don't you? None other than Royle Champion. Well, his hair is just as short as yours now, cause he had a great decision to make — Whether to sail on the sea of matrimony or the real sea and he decided on the latter. (We wonder if his father didn't think it was safer that way.) He has joined the Naval Air Corps and is stationed at Jacksonville Fla. Howard Wease gave him a grand send-off party the night before he left. All of his friends from Shelby were there and many of them from Lawndale. After we saw Champ's g.f., Jean Robinson, we didn't blame him for thinking seriously of the matrimonial sea.

Everyone in town has been craning their neck to get a good look at that nice, tall, blonde-haired paratrooper that is in town... Glenn Williams. Lib Bridges has been the only one who has been favored in his sight and lucky enough to sit beside those boots. We think she is doing o.k. since that is the first girl that he has dated from Lawndale since he has been here. (Wonder what she has got that we ain't? Could it be that 6:30 perfume that makes her so pretty and smell so good?)

Miss Lorene Clay has joined the Nurse's Cadet Corps at the Martin Memorial Hospital in Mt. Airy, N. C. Her sister, Louise, spent several days with her last week and that explains why Tom Forney has been "Lindberghing" it around town. We were really afraid that great romance had ended.

Lawndale hasn't been quite as dull since the following persons have been seen here on furlough: Robert Spurling, Jimmie Osborne, Andy Pritchard, Junior Ramsaur, Robey Brackett, Broadus Beam, and Glenn Williams, as we have already mentioned.

Good-night folks, there goes G. W. Clay, Jr. all dressed up in his uniform and we have just got to sign off and go see him and listen to what he has to tell us.

So long,
Til & Anne