

## MUST I "PET" TO BE POPULAR

By BETTY ROSE BARKER

Is it true that today, especially on the college campus, there is more freedom between the sexes than was the case a generation ago?

Whatever may be the true situation concerning the relationships between the sexes, each of you is sooner or later going to have to decide for yourself the answer to give to the question, "Should I pet?" or "Must I pet in order to be popular?"

What in your mind is petting? Can petting be defined as the physical contact for pleasure that arises from the sexual desire of one or both parties but stops short of sexual intercourse?

Keeping the above definition in mind, or a definition of your own is it not true that some girls pet because they think it is necessary for popularity?

But "popularity" thus gained is a dubious popularity. The girl who pets for this reason will, once she begins, continue to pet. She will probably pet with a continuous succession of men because through petting she cannot hope to hold one man.

Since men exchange confidences, it is not long before the petting girl is labeled and the popularity for which she longed is here—briefly.

The mistake that many girls make is that they do not think this could happen to them if they pet with just one boy. Almost without exception, it is to these that social ostracism comes, because of their willingness to pay the price for popularity.

What, then, you might ask, can two young people in whom normal sexual desire and curiosity is present do to minimize the danger that is presented by petting?

Several things might be considered. By proper planning you can avoid situations in which the occasion for petting may arise. For instance if you go to a movie and the responsibility here rests with the girl as well as the boy) have something planned to do afterward in which there will be no occasion for petting.

It is best that you should frankly state your position in regard to petting and then adhere to it. If you are honest in your position, your sincerity and frankness will be respected by those of the opposite sex.

If you have a chance for a date with one whose reputation is that of a petter, it is best for you not to accept. One should be especially careful in accepting blind dates. If, in the case of a girl, especially, you do accept a blind date, try to make it a double date with another couple. Do not put yourself at the mercy of a stranger in a situation as intimate as dating. Try to keep topics of conversation as far removed as possible from any subject suggestive of petting.

This calls for a certain amount of skill in carrying on a conversation, which can prove invaluable.

If you do any "necking" one member of the couple must keep it under control. This is generally left up to the girl since it is she upon whom custom has put the responsibility for upholding the moral standards of society.

In God's Word you find these words concerning your bodies: "What I know ye not that shall be revealed unto you when ye shall be glorified." This is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, and which ye have of God, and ye are not your own. For ye are bought with a price: and in your spirit, which are God's. I am sure that if you will apply the word to your life, you will be able to make the right decision concerning the matter of petting.

## What Qualities

### Do Women Like About Men

By CLARA NIX

What do you look for in an individual with whom you wish to establish a relationship? Let us look at some of the traits which women like to see in men. A woman wants a companion who is good-natured, one whom she can feel free to talk to and know that he will not be a broadcasting station. She likes for him to mix well in a group and to be congenial, and to have wit and a good sense of humor. His morals must be high and she should never set on his honesty. She wants him to be sincere in what he says and does. A good sportsman—one who can win and lose gracefully—must be! She wants him to have a good personality, and yet, be intelligent, but not to the extent that he knows it all.

But, he is handsome, clean, and neat? These are essentials. I know of one girl who stopped dating a boy because his cars were dirty. A woman likes good manners which seem to come naturally, not those that are stiff and seem to be a part of him. She likes for him to be flexible to a certain degree, but not to the extent that he is spineless creature who is at the mercy of the potter's hands. She wants him to have an honest attitude toward her. There are a few of the qualities among the many whom women like to see in men. We have in mind, however, that the individual is not expected to have all the traits in the same degree. But the question is, does this list of desirable traits agree with what you expect your male friends to possess?

## What Gives You The Most Happiness?

Did you ever think of the difference between "SEEM" to make people happy? WHY do folks want to be happy? What makes YOU happy? Here are some answers we received to this question:

1. TRAVELING. BUT some folks who have not been out of their county are happy. They have within themselves a "something" that gives off happiness to all around them.

2. SUCCESS IN BUSINESS. But what about those happy souls who never owned a business? Then some of our great business giants have committed suicide. Is business success the answer?

3. DIRECTING PEOPLE. BUT there are some folks who are BORED by having to direct others.

4. HELPING OTHERS. Thousands of folks never think of helping others. Could THEY be happy by your yardstick. One young hoodlum who enjoyed seeing his victim suffer when he bullied him.

5. MAKING OTHERS HAPPY. How do you know what will make others happy? Will what makes one person happy make ALL people happy? OR do we have to study each individual to see what makes him happy?

6. SERVING GOD. BUT some don't believe in GOD. Can THEY be happy by YOUR measure? DO they know what they are missing?

Are there certain things to which ALL folks will respond for their happiness? What makes YOU happy? People are judged by what things they enjoy—are made happy about. THERE IS YOUR KNOWN.

## BULLDOG BARKS

Hi you all! Well, we've gotten our first grade cards. . . We know where we stand for the first nine weeks of school. From all expressions on some countenances everything was fine; others did not look as if they felt very sure of their grades weren't just looked at and forgotten a moment later. We know that none of us were perfect and anything can be made better, then when we're at our best. I do not mean to lecture but when we receive our grades I remember the little boy who asked, "Will I ever know as much as I know?" The answer is, "No," so there is always something one can learn. Oh well, let's get on with the latest news from the Bulldog. Boy, didn't Homecoming come off well? I think it was a success in every respect. Wasn't it wonderful to see all the returning alumni? Seems Betty Staton (better known as "The Bulldog") kept the girls doing gorming with her ever popular sermons. We asked her what she thought about all these new couples on campus and she seemed to approve of 'em all.

One of the latest new couples is, I believe, Bobby and Von G—look mighty cute together, don't they? Bo and Margaret are another cute couple. Looks good to see Betty Jo and . . . seems her roommate likes Wofford just as much too . . . some of these girls just don't mix up with the right girls?? . . . Congratulations this month goes to Mully and Lib— they're setting married on the 24th, as most of you already know. . . . Say, gang, wasn't the Halloween party fun? . . . The school fun seemed to have had good luck but what happened to you, Ronald?? Speaking of parties, the Pilot Staff party was one of the best, now aren't you happy you didn't join the staff? What were all those giggles in the back of the auditorium the day that they were out? You could hear you tell us anything about that, Shinee? By the way, how many of you wishes came true? "Beauties" yet, but I'm still hoping. . . . Football is over and we're all looking forward to basketball—hope we have as good a basketball team as we did in football. . . . nice going. . . . If you ever want to find Joyce Ann, check the Drug Store for her. She enjoys looking over the counter displays in her spare time. . . . Bemis, who's the gent who's been calling you "Beauties"? It's almost time to say goodbye but let me I may ask you a question that you think of when you think of Thanksgiving? Do you think of your mother's dinner at grandmother's? Or do you think of it as the time of the year when you get out of school? . . . Whatever the real reason is we know the real meaning of Thanksgiving. Let us think of it now as a time of the year when we should thank God for our home, community, life, and freedom. We should all realize that these things are enough to be thankful for. It's not just say that Thanksgiving is a day of thanksgiving but let's go the Second Mile and let's go the Third Mile. We will all thank—"Myrtle" By the way "Hortense" is sick . . . she couldn't help me write this month.

## ALMA MATER

At the foot of the mountains  
In our college; proud she stands  
Serving all who want her service,  
Blessing all with outstretched hands.  
Alma Mater, Alma Mater,  
We sing our love to thee;  
We pledge our hearts in deep devotion  
Our love, our faith, eternally.

In our hearts we enthroned thee  
Pay thee homage far and wide,  
Offer sacrificial service,  
Thine, our hope, our joy, our pride.  
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We sing our love to thee;  
We pledge our hearts in deep devotion  
Our love, our faith, eternally.

## CUTEST COUPLE

October 8 was just another Saturday for most Gardner-Webb students, but to Frances Buckner and Austin Lookabill, our cutest couple of the month, it was quite a red-letter day. On this day, Mr. Lookabill presented Miss Buckner with a diamond.

Both live at Thomasville and attended Thomasville High School. While there, Frances was President of the Secretarial Club, a Junior Class officer, and co-captain of the Mill's Home basketball team. Austin was a member of the Hi-Y Club, a member of the Dramatics Club, and a class officer.

Plans concerning the wedding are uncertain, but in all probability we will see Frances and Austin back at Gardner-Webb next year.

## WHAT QUALITIES DO MEN LIKE ABOUT WOMEN

By JERRY KEETER

Young men and women today know enough about the psychology of the opposite sex to enable them to go about intelligently making themselves interesting and attractive.

The first important factor or quality is the casual meeting where the first impression is made. From this first impression men start their quality search.

The young man is inclined automatically to classify the girls he meets in certain conventional types, such as the "clingy vine," the "party girl," the "college girl," the "boy crazy" type, and the "dumb blond." At the first meeting the girl may impress him as a nice all around girl, a good sport, or he may be so unfavorably impressed as to classify her as a commonplace "gold digger."

All girls try to be glamorous, but all is not gold that glitters. Glamour is simply means that the package is more attractive in appearance than its contents is in value.

For a while the glamour girl may glitter to her fascinated admirers or glamour may hook a boy until he finds out that it is only skin deep. The girl will find that it takes something more real and genuine to hold him.

It is better to wrap the package in a fashion that conforms to the value of the contents. It is better to see to it that the inside of the personality package turns out to be even better than the claims made on the outer wrappings.

To me, good morals, are the qualities which most boys seek in their ideal girl. The boy wants to show his girl off, yet he hesitates

unless she has high standards.

Boys usually find that girls, who are interested in their religious life, are the ones with all the ideal qualities.

It is better for both girls and boys to seek out people of their own kind. They want to associate with people who have the same interests, ideas, and beliefs as they. You will never see a boy go with a girl any length of time, if she doesn't have some of his mothers qualities, or if she doesn't have some good qualities of her own.

Living close together, as we do here on the campus, it does not take very long to find the good or bad qualities in ourselves and others. But the test to question our qualities is do we accept the good qualities of a person and help him on his bad ones? If we do accept a person for what he really is, good or bad, then everyone would live in harmony, and there would be no lowering of anyone's standards, by playing on his bad qualities.

If you are looking about the campus for a dating partner, you expect that person to have certain characteristics. And I think it is wise to assume that you will expect him or her to measure up to your standards in many instances.