

THE CHATTER BOX

When the Chatter Box was opened this week the noise was enough to fill a room. My, what a lot of things must have been going on this month.

In the male department, it appears that there isn't much shortage of the power. "Bobs" seem to be making the news. Helen Verser, it is reported by reliable sources, is having troubles over hers. And the lovebug is said to have bitten Edie Mac, so that she has to be careful. As a querie that apparently belongs in this department, Margie or Betty, who or what is "poochie"? Is it male, female, or an inanimate object? Eddie Day, a little robin whippers, is having trouble making up her mind between Jim and Jack. Nice trouble. Annie Laurie cornered a he man or he-men, in Gaffney, South Carolina, the other week-end. Betty Gibbs has an interest at Easley, South Carolina. Wonder if they are anything like Mr. Hunter's South Carolinians? While on the subject of male, we can easily swing to the subject of mail. All Genelle Groggan lives for is mail time, and then the only letter that excites her is one from Texas. Now, that's gratitude for you.

A very mysterious piece of information has turned up here. It states that "Penny" is a new nickname. The question is, did it come from a Greyhound bus? Now who ever heard of a Greyhound bus named Penny? Speaking of nicknames, will someone please ask Carrie Lee Pratt why she calls Lucille Vaught "Uuzille"?

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Last month we reported the theme songs that Grossie chose. It seems that since then she has not only changed her theme song, but her nickname as well. Glad to know you, Katie. Other people have theme songs, it seems. Betty Whittle, "What Is This Thing Called Love"? Joan Guthrie has that wistful, long week-end hope in her songs—"My Buddy" and "How Soon".

Mail and male are all secondary to Mildred Jones these days. She has something much more important to think about, a new sister.

What's the most amazing thing that has happened here? What has caused the most wonder and consternation? Well, if you won't tell—have you seen Frankie Hall knitting?

Spring is the time for building, and around College Hall 212, activity is beginning. The occupants are gathering wood and stone. Maybe they don't have enough room, or perhaps they want a porch to enjoy the spring weather.

The best news is last. It seems that Miss Wade got married a while back, in Dr. McGregor's office. She married her brother-in-law, Steve, but as soon as the ceremony was performed, she had to hurry to her office to have office hours. While she worked, her new husband waited for her in their A model Ford, parked in front of Gaither. Now don't get excited. All this happened in Bachie's dream. But Miss Wade, you can't get married and go off in a Model A. What would Barkus say?

The Battle Of Words

Many English students are feeling distorted these daze buy the study of words. Because of the varies ways of spelling, the sum words that look a like and our spelled difidently, and pints of grammar that are confusion, the pore creations are having a hard time of it. Its quite understanding why this terrible exists, four the English language is fill-

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ed with words that must have hurled to it while hour fourfathers had there backs turned, or else they must no have seemed quit as confining too then as two us. We mite make one suggestion too this pore, suffered multiple, and that is that what may look logic problemly isn't. Altogether practicable as this may seem, it doesn't all ways work. Their are many expectations too the rule, but two what rule is their none in English.

HUH???

"Hey, Gizmo, throw me that what-cha-ma-call-it."

"I've heard rumors going around that Americans speak English."

"They do!"

Huh? Then what is a "Gizmo" and a "What-cha-ma-call-it"?

Have you heard such conversations? We have, and we are trying to find out just what such conversations mean. It seems that Karen Johnson thinks a "gizmo" is the name of anything. While Miss Hoyt says, "A What?" and Miss Webb says, "Spell it." Ale Scott's reaction was, "Mrs. Armistead, what's a gizmo?" and Mrs. Armistead replied, "Is that in your history questions?" Pat Cox frankly admits, "I don't know," but Betsy Price says, "They are little black things that crawl up and down your arm—you can buy them in Washington." Grossie says it's "a smoe." Betty Lance looked as if we were crazy, and Dot Jean Sandefer's opinion is, quote, "It's something you call someone if you're a little—well, you know."

Opinions of a what a "what-cha-ma-call-it" is are slightly different, too. Malvina Verrault says it's "any ole thing"; Charlotte Roth says it's a "flookey-goojey" or something equally hard to spell; and Juanita Connell says, "It's according to what you're talking about." Kay Lowery looked stunned and answered, "Beats me!" Betty Mae Hoylman replied, "Something you don't know how to explain"; while Martha de la Torre asked, "What language is that?" ! ! !

By now you are probably wondering, what is a "gizmo" and a "What-cha-ma-call-it?" Well, suppose you tell us! ! !

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March Musings

Things have really happened in High School since you have last heard from us. We really hope B. Crawford soon will be back. We heard that some Montreat girls had a time in Charlotte. Amber and Jean seem to have the same boy in mind. Why do you like Darlington Prep School, Joanne Gamble? Could it be N. M.? Dixie, who's all this mail been coming from lately? Sue, that was a beautiful orchid you got for Valentine. We hear that Schwenk and C. Curry have invitations to the Christ School House Party. Are we correct? What about all these Senior rings? They really look sharp. Hey B. J. Cooper, how are you making out with Jack? At present you can imagine: Mary Bell without cornbread and Henry—Gerry Hoffman with basketball—Hildy without Marion—Jane Norman without music—Joy H. without Bob—Joyce Oliver without food—Schwenk without her phone calls from Asheville—F. Gamble without her shot records—Anna Maude and Jean H. without men—Montreat without Asheville boys—Hope without a visitor on Sundays—Mary Austin without her knitting—Hop without mail—Willie without Gene—Helen Brewer without Harvard—Betty Parker without her freckles—And in conclusion don't forget that long week-end is coming, so let's get busy and invite the boys up for the Junior-Senior.

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