



# Serious Thoughts

—LARRY YOUNG

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."—John 1:9

Frequently young people are misled and they become involved in serious trouble because of their attitudes toward life. These people commit sinful acts because of their indifference to the good and Christian forces in life. Oftentimes, these same youths are wholly ashamed and disgusted with themselves, and they want forgiveness and pardon for the past. God is always ready to redeem any sinner who is truly sorry for his sins. Every earnest prayer of confession and repentance is welcome in Heaven.

PRAYER: Dear God, we thank Thee for thy great love for us. Teach us to rely upon Thee for guidance and strength. Give us courage to face the temptations and difficulties in our homes, at school, and in our relationships with others. May the light of truth enter our lives. Amen.



## Citizen Of The Month

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Grandolfi might be found working busily for her school as President of the Pep Club. She could be seen at a meeting of the F.T.A. or F.N.A. She could be found playing an active part in a French Club meeting where she holds the office of vice-president.

Every week this busy girl teaches religion classes for the Catholic Church of which she is a member. She also belongs to the Catholic Youth Organization, C.Y.O.

This active cheerleader wants to attend East Carolina College and become a grammar school teacher. She also wishes to be a wonderful wife and mother when married.

Congratulations to Pam Grandolfi—Citizen of the Month.

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## Library - Libs

—Vaughn Smith, Member Student Assistant Library Staff

Even though February has come and gone, we have been told often that it is an important month on our calendar. The shortest month of the year, it is filled with important dates for all Americans interested in our heritage, February is the birth month of many notable Americans. The first two who come to mind are Lincoln and Washington, men who made such valuable contributions to our country. Perhaps you might like to read a biography of each of these distinguished Americans, both born in February.

Speaking of biographies, some of the most exciting, readable and romantic stories are to be found in accounts of real people—in biographies, in other words. For example, an excellent love story is to be found in *MADAME CURIE* and in *HOW DO I LOVE THEE?* For courtroom drama, try *MY LIFE IN COURT*, by Nizer, and *CLARENCE DARROW, TRIAL LAWYER*. Or, if you prefer the light and humorous but true biographies, we recommend *CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN, BELLS ON THEIR TOES* and *ONE FOOT IN HEAVEN*. If you are interested in sports, by all means read *TIGER WORE SPIKES, IT'S GOOD TO BE ALIVE, I ALWAYS WANTED TO BE SOMEBODY*, and *KNUTIE ROCKNE*. Maybe you have dreams of becoming a writer, and for you we suggest *I WANTED TO WRITE*, by Kenneth Roberts, and *ACT ONE*, by Hart. If you are in the mood to be sad (or even to cry) you will want to read *DEATH BE NOT PROUD, NANCY WORE RED SHOES*, and *ANGEL UNAWARE*.

Our list of good biographies could go on and on and on. We might suggest that we have in our library books about the outstanding, the interesting, the dynamic personalities of yesterday and today. We have biographies about doctors, lawyers, merchants, actors and actresses, scientists, preachers, poets, dramatists, novelists, cowboys, teachers—about nearly every type you can think. We have biographies to fit your mood, whether for the serious, the dramatic, the humorous, or the romantic. Why not enjoy good stores about real people? Why not enjoy a really good biography now?

Dear Editor:

Shame on LEXHIPEP! Jean Baker wrote the Library-Libs column in the last issue NOT Julie Lindsay!

Mrs. Sink

## SPANISH FIESTA PAT SEVERANCE

Did you get to the Fiesta held at the Lexington Senior High School February 24 through March 10? If so, you remember that it was entirely different from the usual fiesta; the one held here was a Fiesta of Hobbies, the first of its kind in Lexington.

Planned and staged by the Library Student Assistants, under the supervision of Mrs. Fry and Mrs. Sink, the school library virtually became almost a foreign land. All the decor and color of the Spanish and Mexican fiestas were used skillfully and attractively. Everywhere there were pinatas, burros, mantillas, matadors, senioritas (not all in the flesh, you know!) and gayly bedecked booths. Each booth displayed the crafts and handwork of the talented seniors and senioritas of Lexington Senior High

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## "OUT, OUT-SPOT!" —CHERYL CRAVER

Almost everyone has had the measles and the school has seemed to get emptier day by day. Everywhere the students of Lexington Senior High School look, there are red spots appearing on faces, necks, ears, noses, arms, and even knees. Friends disappear for two or three days, and when they finally return, the normal reply is heard, "I have had the measles."

How can a person prevent himself from getting the measles? One solution is locking oneself in a room and skipping school for a couple weeks. Another is holding one's breath and sterilizing everything before touching it. Actually all a person can possibly do is to brave the threat of catching the measles and lumber off to school.

Those who have been out with the measles come back only to find that they are seven tests, twelve chapters, three themes, one book report, twenty-five physics problems, and fifty pushups behind. Teachers toil for hours trying to help students catch up. These brave souls seem to be the only hardy people around for they are the only ones who have not as yet been stricken by the measles.

As desks empty one by one, students wonder who will be next. All which can be done is to hope that the measles will one day drift somewhere else to harass some other happy, unsuspecting school such as the measles did to ours.

## SCHOOL IN JULY

—Martha Occhi, Foreign Exchange Student from Argentina

Because of the different hemisphere of Argentina, school begins in the middle of March and closes during the first days of December.

There are both public and private schools, with little difference in their methods of education. Most private schools are Catholic. Even though Argentina sponsors the Roman Catholic Church, neither devotions nor any kind of prayers are held in the public schools.

Both the private and the public schools require their students to wear uniforms. Students wear white pinafores, black shoes, and the crest of the school. This is done especially for the poorer people, and to prevent the students from placing too great an emphasis on clothes.

There are twelve years of school, seven of primary and five of high school. The first three years of high school are the same in all schools, but the last two are different. Students cannot choose their subjects until their junior and senior years. Then a person may go to a commercial, industrial, or teachers' school, or to the common high school. Each school has specific subjects according to its purpose of education.

I graduated from a teachers' high school which allows me to teach in elementary schools. This fact does not mean that all new teachers begin teaching, because many go to college in order to be able to teach in high school too.

Our school has from twelve to thirteen subjects a year, all of which are required and which differ every year. Students do not have a choice of these subjects. Six subjects are taken a day, the amount of each depending on the importance of the subject. Classes begin at a quarter to eight and end at a quarter past twelve. Physical education classes are taken twice a week during the afternoon. We have neither homeroom period nor study hall. Between classes are five-minute breaks. Students remain in the same classroom while teachers change. The teachers do not have a room in which to keep all their supplies; they have to carry them from room to room.

Exams are held every three months, but only in three subjects. After these exams, students get report cards. Grades range from one to ten, and at the end, each person should have seven. If he does not, he is required to take a final exam. Most tests are "pops" and full discussion. Every day each class has to discuss the lesson. The teacher calls on a student, and the student goes to the front of the class to talk about the lesson. Sometimes the teacher asks questions, but most of the time a person has to speak alone.

The relationship between teachers and students is very different from that of the United States. Only during the senior year is the teacher really friendly to his students. When the teacher comes into the room, students have to stand up until the teacher asks them to sit down. During the class when the teacher speaks directly to a pupil, he is again required to stand.

Our school's spirit is very low; students do not like to go to the games to yell for the team, and sports are very popular only among the people that participate.

During my senior year in the teachers' school, I took the following subjects: Economic and Human Geography of Argentina, Argentinian Arts' History, psychology, pedagogy, philosophy, music,

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