

## Censored Nonsense

By Buddy Powell

I congratulate Howard on making the varsity basketball team as a sophomore, but he should try and remember which basket he is supposed to shoot at.

Here are some names I left out last time.  
Pershing Carlton  
Columbus Wagener  
Lester Chostner  
Harold Patterson

Not only do boys have wild middle names, eh? Booe Pierce, Flenita, Adelaide Welder . . .

Congratulations Cotton, I understand you got an offer to play football at Guilford College.

I think we should have Doug Clark's combo for the Prom. If you agree, please say so through the suggestion box.

I wish I had David Martin's initials. I'd monogram everything I owned.

Bike supports the Whirlies how about you.

Where have all the bomb-scares gone.

The queen's men have turned Pro now! They are going to record a new theme song for the "Beverly Hillbillies." It's that Flat & Scruggs type training. Oops, I shouldn't have said that. I might want to get a job with the FBI some day and now the Choral Dept. will tell them I'm unstable.

Urp. Please excuse. I just saw George Stanton's hair.

Did you know that we have a cheerleader who smokes cigars. There is also one who smokes Half & Half.

If I have to listen to the schedule planning speech about Drivers Training one more time I'll scream.

The pep band is a great asset to the games. This group is not sponsored by the band and these boys are doing this on their own. clap, clap, clap.

## Disaster Begins Diet Feet Become Inches

BY JANE TURPIN

When, upon urgent request from both my friends and enemies, I stepped upon the bathroom scales for the first time in three weeks, I was dismayed to witness a disaster. The little indicator spun around twice and then the whole thing blew into thirteen billion little pieces. After much contemplation and careful drawing conclusions, I determined that the time was right for me to go on a diet.

No one could ever know the trials and tribulations of a dieter, what he goes through to achieve his end. (or the lack of it along with the loss of weight concentrated in other areas of the anatomy.) Crash diets are ever popular—no sweets, no starches, no nothing but a bowl of dried prunes staring up at one every morning for a month. Do you know what it's like having a bowl full of dried prunes staring up at you each and every morning at the breakfast table? It's fruity, that's what it is! And then for lunch, a slice of dried out toast—that's ALL! Just one slice! No butter, no jam, no nothing—just one crummy piece of toast.

If a dieter survives an acute attack of starvation, he is likely to be beaten and battered to death in that strange ritual known as exercising.

One may buy all types of paraphernalia designed to make him even more miserable than he is already with trying to carry around all that extra weight. Then, too, many dieters experiment on their own trying to discover new tortures for their somewhat overloaded bodies.

For more than an era, men have removed pounds from the posterior portion of the anatomy by beating it against stone walls or bouncing it along a cement floor.

Even with all their trials and tribulations, most dieters agree that a new, slimmer and trimmer figure is worth all the trouble, for who else can win by losing.



Pictured above is a victim of circumstances, madly studying and preparing for those inevitable days, January 19-27.

## Examitis Strikes Fear In Hearts of Countrymen

BY JOHN TAYLOR

Twice a year around GHS a phenomenon occurs which had become a tradition at most schools. This phenomenon is called PFMTAFFE; or "Preparation for Mid-Term and Final exams.

Exam preparation generally follows a set pattern. During the first stage of preparation a noticeable difference can be observed in the lockers around school. They do not seem to sag as much from the weight of moth-eaten, dusty school books. At the same time a marked change can be observed in the physical form of the students. Many students suffer from the "Last Minute Cram Stretch." No, this is not a dance. It is a condition resulting in elongation of the arm, which is caused by an overload of books near exam time.

The second phase of PFMTAFFE is the SFFS phase. (This means "Sacrifice Fun For Study") Conversations such as the following can be overheard during this try-

ing time . . . "Hey, let's go drag the Castle." . . . "No, I better not. I have to study for exams." Or, "Hey, let's go to the Jokers Friday night." "Naw, I have to study for exams." Or, "Hey, let's skip seventh period and go to Q-Ball." "Okay, I never study during school anyway." The last phase of preparation involves the SUANTS GBEL problem. (This abbreviation (?) means "Stay Up All Night To Study and Get a Beary Eyed Look.") This extreme product of examitis is usually manifested two or three days before exams start. Students stagger around seeing two of everything. Bags form under eyes which are open with the aid of toothpicks. Tempers shorten as the studying time shortens and by E-Day, students are usually too tired to care whether exams are hard or not.

Thus comes the clinching question: Are exams worth all the studying you put into them? Well, if you value your future as well as your life, YES!

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## Scary Events, Fun, Work Part of Christmas Job

By Vivian Ferguson

Working in a department store is not as dull as one might think; almost anything can happen. A delivery may be sent to the wrong address or, even worse, mailed to the wrong town. A shelf of china may be knocked over or, a dog may be found on the freight elevator.

These events are rather common, but some are hair-raising. For in stance, once an elderly lady fainted while riding an UP escalator; no one was riding with or near her. Spellbound, the people on the floor below stared as the limp body slowly moved upward. Suddenly a man dashed up the moving steps and lifted her off as she neared the top.

Some events are surprising. A few months ago, a slightly stunned but pleased sales girl watched Jayne Mansfield casually select and buy knee socks in eighteen colors. Another sales person helped a man select a peace-offering for his wife; thirty pounds of candy.

At times it is hard to decide how to handle a situation, such as asking a person to either pay for merchandise or to leave it on the shelf before leaving the store. It is hard not to laugh when a little boy tugs at your

sleeve and says that his mother is lost, but he does not mind because the Santa Claus in the toy department will take him to the North Pole.

## Apathy

BY LIZ MORRAH

The trees wept leaves that fell to earth,  
And they were gone, and no-one cared.

Likewise the tears of man must fall  
When there is nothing left inside.  
For hate and love and good and bad

Man should give grateful thanks,  
For only death is left to him  
Who ceases now to care.

Life's pages yellow like an old  
And faded book with leaves all  
singed  
By candle flames and letters  
smeared

By salty tears that dropped there-  
on.

Someday they'll fall to earth like  
dying leaves,  
Cascade like raindrops falling to  
the ground.

And no-one will be caring even  
then—  
No-one will be left.

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