

The Other Side Of The Question

Now The Guys Get Their Chance To Rate The Girls

Ed. Note: The following article, which appeared in the October 2, 1966 edition of the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, contains a sample of what the boys in North Carolina schools think of the girls they date. We thought it only fair to include this article in answer to last week's write-up of the girls rating the guys.

"Give us equal space." This demand has been made by college men across the state ever since an article appeared... telling ALL about them and their dating habits. The article was based on interviews last spring with dozens of girls at eight of the state's colleges and universities.

The girls were quizzed about the males at the state's "Big Five" — UNC, N. C. State, Duke, Wake Forest and Davidson. Ego-deflated college men have protested the damage to their images, and college girls — primarily those at Salem — have protested the damage that they feel the over-generalized comments have done to their social lives. Whether this damage was real or imagined remains to be seen. But one thing is certain. The men should have their say. And they have. Student correspondents at the Big Five and at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro polled the men at their schools early last week.

for their opinions of college girls. Many of the men, still smarting from the generalizations about them, stressed the impossibility of generalizing about females. Others, however, tried. And the men at Duke unquestionably succeeded. Duke males admitted that they confine their dating primarily to the Duke coeds, whom they describe affectionately as "East Beasts." But they emphasized that they date them for their "proximity, not for their promise or promiscuity." The most vehement said "Duke girls are ugly, ugly, ugly, ugly."

"You can date all the good-looking girls you want to at UNC-G and still not date them all," raved a Wake Forest veteran of many UNC-G dates. "And," he said, "you don't have to be on your best behavior when there are 4,000 girls to choose from." "You get the feeling," said a Wake male, "when you date at UNC-G that the girls really appreciate your sex because they've been caged with 4,000 other girls all week long." But, warns another Deacon, "by the time the majority of the unmarried ones are seniors they are the most husband-hungry bunch of females I ever saw." Said a Duke male, "all they want to do is get married and away from there."

While the majority of the UNC-G males complained about the "big brother attitude" of the coeds and their preference for UNC - Chapel Hill males, one graduate student was happy. "This," he said, "is a buyer's market." "Dating a girl at Carolina is like going to a Weejuns convention," declared a male at nearby Duke. "All the Carolina girls," said another Durham student, "fit the image of Betty Coed, with their McMullen blouses and little pearls and pierced ears. You have the impression of seeing the same girl a hundred times."

The majority, said others, are at the Hill for husbands... and are so excited about transferring from some small girls' school they just go out of their minds." Only "a 10 per cent of real far-out types" break from the conformity, which requires the Carolina coed "to hide any sign of intellectualism." In this 10 per cent, said a Duke male, "you'll find your civil rights demonstrators, your free-love advocates, your denouncers of the middle class." On homeground they're equally unappreciated.

The Carolina gentleman considers the "special breed" of girls on his campus handy Friday night dates but looks elsewhere for Saturday night company especially on big weekends. "During the biggest weekends of the school year," one gentleman explained, "it is not unusual for half the girls in the dorm to go away for the weekend and for their places to be filled with out-of-town dates." The long-standing verbal coed and the Carolina gentleman subsidies he said, "only when they each need a date in a hurry."

innocence — at least for two years, until they transfer to Carolina." All a Meredith girl needs to get asked for a date by a State male, said a State male, "is an introduction." But not many miles away the Duke males say — "Meredith girls are like the girls you went to high school with. clicheish, cute and conceited." — "They all seem to want to be elementary school teachers and look a lot like UNC girls without boys." — They're "the personification of sugar and spice and one."

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Carolina gentlemen rate these girls as their "most popular dates," and State men consider them "lots of fun to be with, good conversationalists who know how to enjoy themselves and act like ladies at the same time." "I know whatever I do, I'm not going to get kicked in the teeth," said a State man. "I'll just get a nice definite No." To get a date with a State male, "all she uses is a line about how she loves football games, followed by a big smile." On the homefront, it's an entirely different story, however. There are now about 500 males on the formerly all-female campus at Greensboro and most of those polled said simply, "I don't date here." By going there, said one male student, "Most of the girls are drawn closer to the girls they have at home." A sophomore complained that "a forest of pin curlers between me and the instructor makes me sick. Girls here have not waked up to the fact this is a coed not a woman's college. I realize I'll have to take this from my wife, but I'm not married to 4,000 girls on Saturday morning."

Another sophomore compared the UNC-G girls unfavorably — with the girls back home in Yankeland. "A girl in the North," he said, "looks good every day. A girl down here looks like hell during the week and good on weekends." Duke girls made one Davidson boy think of "long hair, pierced ears and slide rules." The good ones, he said, are "all dated up for the next six months." Even the "nice guys" at State were critical. "Too sophisticated in the stereotyped way," they said. The Duke coed can be very nice, they agreed, but she remains a bit distant.

UNC-G The girls at the Greensboro branch of the University are the favorites of most college men — for both quality and quantity.

Carolina coeds are more aware of just about any situation than the girls I've found elsewhere. They like to play hard and are ready for a good time on a weekend." At Davidson, Carolina coeds are considered "good" because "they raise hell." MEREDITH The men at State consider Meredith girls the "cream of the crop" but they don't fare so well outside of Raleigh. State men described "good ole Meredith girls" as "fun," "not so puritanical as is generally thought," "friendly," "good dancers," "good conver-

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