

HIGH TALES

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EDITORIAL

Is There Better System Than Exams

Marilyn Southern
The subject of exams is now very close to all our hearts especially to the hearts of middle and upper school students. With the finish of exams everyone breathed a sigh of relief. Now with the return of our marks everyone has given a groan of pain and once again the question is asked "Why do we have to write exams?" Merely because this method has been used for many years in our educational system is no reason

that it must still be used. Certainly some good test of knowledge must be found but exams are not it from the student's point of view. In reading over papers many ridiculous mistakes have been found which, in the tension of an exam were overlooked. Is this a true test of knowledge? Is it a good test of knowledge when students go to an exam literally sick with worry or need nerve pills to even be able to write the exam? It certainly is not! Yet for lack of a better system, students endure this torture three or four times a year. We're not asking to have our school days made a "bed of roses." Far from this, we realize we must work to pass our respective grades

but we, the students, are asking you, the interested people, to please devise a new method of examination.

GRADE 12 REPORT

Jim Gill

Year Book reporters have been out hounding their fellow cellmates for something interesting or informative about their marred and complex school year.

About the exams written, the marks on the whole, were remarkable?

Students, more especially the females, are wishing the school had a gymnasium - so that they could have physical education in

the period set aside for this purpose. At present the girls either take a study-period or play basketball on the ice and snow-covered basketball court. The boys play soccer on the windswept field.

10B REPORT

Martha Mulder

We were rewarded for our good behaviour a couple of weeks ago with three spelling lessons instead of the three study periods we usually get on Thursday and Friday. All we need is a few more detentions this week and we have some more spelling to do under Mr. Lambert's supervision. Diane, what or who was on the side of the arena that you should leave the company you were in to move over and join "it"? It couldn't be any chance, be who I think it is, could it?

Poor Gunther, how it does hurt to be shunned by one's idol, Doesn't it?

R.M., you must remember the next time a blush looks better on a girl's face than a boy's. It makes you look so uncomfortable and embarrassed.

I came across these few jokes the other day. I hope you haven't heard them.

Electronics Professor: Jerkins, give the class an example of a wasted energy?

Jerkins—Telling a hair-raising story to a baldheaded man.

A despondent old gentleman emerged from his club and climbed into his limousine. "Where to sir," asked his chauffeur. "Drive off a cliff James. I'm committing suicide."

James always dates Mary when he's broke. Sweets make her face break out.

CHATTER IN THE HALLS

by the Chatterbox

Calling Gump Worsley, space cadet! Butch, where are you? Sandra, what are your qualifications for Dumb-Dumb School? Who has her date for the formal all lined up? Just thirty more days, eh, Kid!

Who is busy at Junior Farmers, on a certain night in March? Is Toronto closer to Montreal than Hamilton, Bill?

What fifth form boy plays Tarzan during History class?

Who takes nerve pills before examinations and who wouldn't take one because she had to have water?

Who is the kleptomaniac in fifth form?

Dilutions — dilutions, who? Neil, "irregardless" cannot possibly be a word irregardless of what you think. You are negating a word that is already negative. I guess!

"What's discussed" in French B. J. J. Us, we're disgusted.

Who's going to jump in his kayak and whip down to the corner store. They're quite fast, we hear.

If a certain cheerleader weighs 120 lbs. then a certain fifth former weighs 105 lbs. Well, we all know Doug doesn't weigh 105 lbs.

Who is that pencil sharpener?

Pardon us, machine gun!

Bill, does your name look Eshimonian backwards?

Has anybody got a paddle?

Who needs a magnet to hold onto when he wears an iron suit?

When the bell rang a certain teacher stood there stranded with an albatross around his neck.

When English words are derived from Latin, it is possible to figure out their meaning from Latin books but not from an algebra book, Pete.

John, do you charge for the use of that little piece of ice you used to break your arm for the exams? Whew!

Thought for the week — never stick your glasses in your mouth when its full of Gump-uh gum.

PLATTER CHATTER

Ginny and Gail

Since all you hep-cats seem to blaze when the disc "Stood Up" of Rick Nelson's is spun we decided to dig around and get some statistics on the matter of the orchestra, itself as we have already written of Ricky Nelson, himself.

The four young men who back Rick Nelson on his records are: "The Four Preps", Rick and the boys met at school, during the presentation of a school show — and they've been friends ever since.

The boys have belted out their first disc "Dreamy Eyes", backed with "Fools Will Be Fools", for Capitol Records, Van Alexander and his orchestra assists them.

The four teenagers met at high school, discovered that they shared similar interests in harmony, such as "The Four Lads" and the "Crew Cuts" and joined forces under the guiding wing of Mel Shauer, manager for Les Paul and Mary Ford.

Since then "The Four Preps" have been causing quite a stir around Hollywood with a singing-comedy act they have working up together.

The group is made up of 19-year-old Bruce Belland who sings lead tenor; 18 year old Marvin Inadect, tenor; 18 year old Ed Cobb, bass chanter; 19-year-old Glen Larsen, baritone.

Bruce attends UCLA in Westwood, Calif., along with Marvin. Ed attends Los Angeles City College and Glen works for NBC as a page in the Hollywood television studios.

The arranger for "The Four Preps" is another teenager — a 19-year-old kat, by the name of Lincoln Mayorga. At present, Lincoln attends the university of Southern California. His eepy arrangements of the two hot numbers for this grimpin' combo are cool.

How come the boys are all going after "Short Shorts" (the record, boys).

Ken, Who do you want to share your "Destiny"?

Who is the doll in 10B that did a lot of riding in his younger years?

Who is the lonely kat strolling around in Grade 12 since "His Baby Left Him"?

Well, "La-De-Dah." Kats! See you in our next week's column.

EVERYDAY COMMON COURTESY

Karen Scott

There is no cost involved when it comes to good plain manners. The little things people notice about you are mostly in the form of small courtesies. I cannot stress this point enough. Adults, mostly, appreciate these details more than children.

At the end of a class when everyone charges for the door and a teacher is standing waiting, let her pass through. This goes for our professor scholars as well. Age before beauty, you might say. Another thing, when the crowd is racing for the locker room, take pity on the poor teacher who is coming up the hall. They also value their lives.

When the mob is waiting outside the door at 1.00 o'clock, let the girls in first. When coming in two or 3 at a time, and a young man is among them, he should open the door, not she, and she should go through first.

While walking down the street in-mixed company, the boy always walks on the outside. This is a must. Even when there are two girls and a boy, he still is on the outside. Romeo is always bragging about his gallantry, give him a chance to prove it. If a car comes along, and the group is getting a puddle, guess who gets splashed? Not the Juliet, she's on the inside, or should be. Other teenagers, notice this more than ever, and if the laddie is walking on the inside, he is thought to be a real dumb nut.

If a pair, going steady, is walking down the street hand and hand, the boy, if his hands aren't full, should offer to carry his girl's books. Girls who carry the load when her friend has his free arm swinging in the breeze, are pitied. Boys should know enough to offer their assistance. But, sorrowfully enough, most of them do not.

A lot of boys, in bad taste, begin to tell jokes among themselves when in the presence of girls. This is a very rude habit, and should be overcome. Some jokes are funny, others are not. Everything has its place, including these and the place is not in mixed company.

Another thing that irks me is when boys spit on the street, on the ice, or any place, for that matter. Spitting, is one of the most ignorant habits and girls look down their noses at boys who do it. Ever since we were in Grade 1, public school, teachers, the nurse, and others, discouraged this for healthful reasons. When boys get to high school they should know better.

Swearing is a common habit among both sexes. It should not be done by boys, in front of girls, and vice versa or, better still not at all. For the teenager whose tongue is constantly slang, he or she should be given a dix, and told to start building a new vocab, mostly for their own good. Swearing makes people think the person can't think of anything else to say, so they use profanity; very unbecoming to the person speaking.

THE ART OF SAYING 'EXCUSE ME'

If you accidentally burp in class, 'excuse me' should be said. When passing in front of one another, when dismissing yourself from the group, or interrupting a conversation, 'excuse me' should be said. But, sound sincere! Don't just sound as if your passing the buck from force of habit.

DO'S AND DONT'S

Don't comb your hair in public. What do you think mirrors were put in the locker rooms for? Decoration! Certainly not. Never put lipstick on in public, or powder your face. All these are scorned by most people, and why not? The only time the preceding are allowed is when a powder room is not handy and a little corner away from the group is not available.

All this is very important, and if you're not the handsomest guy or doll in town polish up your manners and you're sure to be dating regularly from then on. I guarantee!

9A REPORT

Joyce Fleming

Well, while Sharon, our regular room reporter, suns herself down Mexico way, we here at GHS have another set of exams and term report coming up — ready or not!

It has been said by a secure member of our school staff that birds of a feather fly together. Sharon had headed south for the winter, can't you take a hint, Dave?

Candy, do you really think it wise to be wandering around the halls with signs like "Kick Me" written on your back? And by the way Gail, I wouldn't worry, they were just your first teeth. Only when you part with your second set is there cause for alarm.

I have been asked by a certain "she" who wishes to remain anonymous, to extend a welcome to Mr. Calbeck, who, last week undertook the goings on of 9A in Geography class.

One more request before I sign off, this time from Mr. Dobson, please girls; no pinups of Ricky Nelson at the back of the room, it may tend to distract you from your studies!

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