

DEAR WHOOSIT

Dear Whoosit:

Here it is time to drop you another line about the latest lip music around dear old S. J. M. S.

The eligible bachlor list is rapidly increasing in number since a certain incident ocured last Sept. 6th, when several of last year's early returning cadets acquired dates to have one last fling before the opening of school. The cadets and their dates were last seen heading out of town in a suspicious black '40 Chev.

Returning in the hours of early dawn, they were heard stumbling through the halls in a half-blind effort to find their rooms. When ask the next morning where they had been, they had no comments to make, except a few moans and groans.

It seems that some of the gayer wovles, (those of the more ambitious specie) were found to be roaming in the park helping girls across creeks. One of these guys decided to make his own way across the creek and leave the girls to find their own way. In his attempts to cross he found himself up to his knees in mud yelling for the girls to pull him out.

We don't know who the joyful character was but a size 12 imprint was found in the mud.

A tragic incident has ocured during the last few months in Salina, which has affected the moral of a certain cadet named "Pooch Lips" Collins. It seems that due to circumstances beyond his control, "Poochie" has lost his little Bo-Peep" to another wolf with a new convertible.

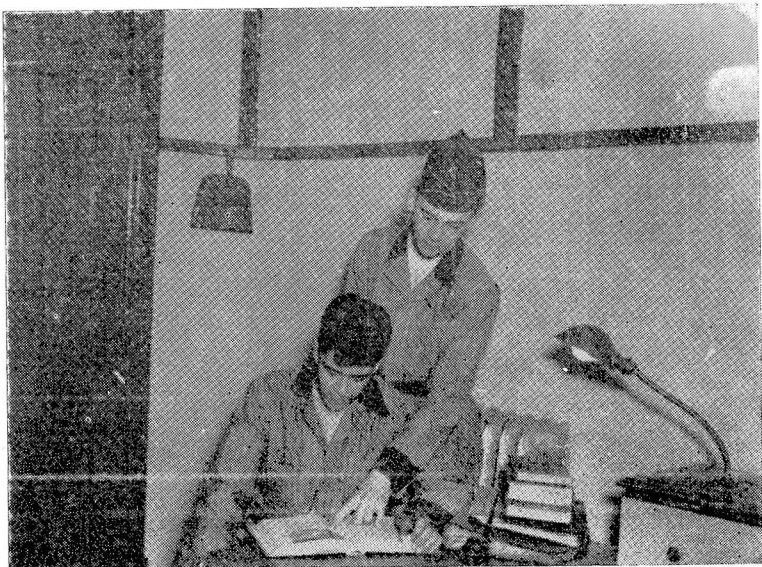
This has not affected Davie in the slightest, as now he spends most of his free time in the telephone booth. We don't know quite what this means, but we have our ideas, as does our "Little Ol'e Poochie."

Through our favorite grape-vine, the information has been received that there will be a large turn-out for the Halloween dance. Several cadets have gotten their dates in advance as they are worried about competition.

It seems that a certain "Preacher" in our midst has fallen head-over-heels in love with a certain fair maiden named Pat. After seeing his roommate's eyes pop out and his tongue hang low, the wise "Preacher" quickly acquired this fair maiden for his date the 31st.

It would be interesting to know just why our good friend "Balls Balzerick" has kept up a constant search for his old flame R. M. When told that she was going steady with a Salina High boy, Bob just wilted and walked away. Why would he be so interested in a girl thats going steady?

Since the new secretary's arrival there has been an incline in the amour of the cadets. While Freddy Chocano has already had the first date with her and from what I hear gave all of that Guatemalan charm along with it, he is fast being pushed from the position of her sole admirer. Even the faculty (that is only the unmarried ones?????) have taken a liking to her and can hard-



Cadet Rodney Miller, junior from Montrose, Colo., gives a word of encouragement to his new roommate, Cadet Francisco Gomez, sophomore from Bogota, Columbia. Cadet Gomez entered St. John's about two weeks after the start of school. He is just learing the English language.

ly concentrate on their classes. How about that Mr. Duckers?

Our Red-Headed friend Bruce Carson is having no little trouble with his women from what I hear. Bruce seems to have asked two of these lovely damsels to the Halloween dance but only has room for one. Mr. Carson is a little worried about all this and has been heard from the halls after taps to be tossing and turning in his sleep trying to figure out which one he is going to take and what to tell the other one. I would suggest he join the Foreign Legion. What do you think? (All suggestions are heard).

Gary Hanna along with Bill McDermith has returned from a most profitable hunting trip in the southern part of Colorado. There has been tales told almost constantly about the trip by the boys. Gary was lost! At least that is what Bill thought. He searched the whole country for miles around only to find Gary sitting on a log just a few yards from where Bill thought he had lost him.

Gary's story was that he thought he had found an elk and was just waiting for him to catch up. Bill almost shot Gary but controlled himself long enough to realize their deep friendship. They did have a very successful trip from what they say by killing two cow elk and one 2 point bull.

Bruce Carson is not alone in his trouble with the weaker sex. Dave Collins has also joined the list of misunderstood helpless men. Like Bruce he had two young things on the string but somehow the string has busted.

After the game with Geneseo a certain and rather special young lady was waiting for Dave at the

Gym. Dave was hurrying just for her and did not realize that in a blue Nash just a few short yards from the Gym there sat another young damsel waiting for Dave also.

Since the first girl was there and waiting, he grabbed her arm and started away from the gym walking straight in front of the second girl's car. She saw the whole business and immediately left with murder on her mind. Dave finding this out has since been seen to be ducking at every shadow and around corners in an effort to elude both of the girls in case they should come looking for him. We bleed for you Dave.

That's all for this time. See ya' in the next issue.

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"S" CLUB NOTES

The "S" Club, letterman's society at St. John's, held it's first meeting of the year in the rec hall. The purpose of the meeting was to nominate officers for the forthcoming year.

Bob Balzerick, a three year letterman and Sergeant of Arms last year in the society, was elected President. Other members receiving offices were Sam Chocano, Vice President; Ed Bigler, Secretary; Mike Quinlan, Treasure; Fred Chocano, Sergeant of Arms, and Jerry O'Hanlon, Chaplain.

The "S" Club has planned a great year with many dances and other entertainment to keep the cadets time filled, the newly elected president said.

—By Carson

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Commandant Gets Letter From S.J.M.S. Old Boy

The Cadets of the last few years will be interested in this letter to Maj. R. L. Guernsey from former Cadet Capt. Cliff Collier.

Collier, who was Captain of the Crack Squad last year and a member of the graduating class, was an all around outstanding cadet while attending St. John's.

"... It must be about time for another school year to start. It seems rather unusual not going back to St. John's to start another term.

"The Company I am in is being trained for cold weather fighting, so I guess I might be over there this winter. We are putting in a lot of time on assaulting positions. We are supposed to be Marine Raiders when we finish this training. There sure is a lot of these jockers that keep running to sick bay.

"How is the school enrollment this year? I hope it is larger than last year's.

"Those boys at St. John's don't realize how lucky they are to attend a school like St. John's, because the way the world is situated now a good percent of them will have to spend time in the service and the training that you give them will prove to be invaluable.

"Write and let me know the latest in news if you can fine the time."

—By Balzerick

JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES

By Mrs. Todd

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Ricks and her sister, Mrs. R. W. Steen from Wichita were here over the week-end to redecorate Cappy's room. They painted the walls, put asphalt tile on the floors, installed a new light fixture, added new drapes, etc. It's really swell — isn't it, Cappy?

Bill Lanam was a happy boy the week-end of the 9th when he was a guest of his father, Sgt. Bill Lanam of Ft. Riley, Kansas.

One of our old boys must have grown up over the summer months —anyway he didn't get homesick again this year. Congratulations, Max ! !

Owen, Webber, and Humbert are all S-O-O-O-O big that they have taken up chewing tobacco - - temporarily that is. For details, see the boys.

The Junior School really has talent

this year. Some that has been recognized thus far is: Kirby Burgerhoff's talking (We offer a prize for anyone who can out-talk him.); Max Owen's shoe shining; Castleberry's rabbit burial ability; Bogart, comedian; Hixon's business management as popcorn "King," ukele player, Dick McBean; and last, but not least, Lt. Todd and Lt. King as interior decorators.

We are all looking forward to having Stanton Smith back soon. Stanton entered Wesley Hospital September 27 and later underwent surgery. We understand he is improving satisfactorily. Best of luck, Stan.

Junior School Visitors:

Mr. Howard Owen, Garden City, Kansas; Mrs. Margaret Bogart, Wichita, Kansas; Mrs. Norma Burgerhoff, Lawrence, Kansas; Mrs. Helen Johnson, Stafford, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schroeder, Kansas City, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Webber, Lincoln, Nebraska; Mr. R. J. Bernard, Kansas City, Missouri; Sgt. Bill Lanam, Ft. Riley, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Humbert, Oakland, Iowa; Mrs. Pearl Leatherman, Sterling, Kansas; Harold Leatherman, Sterling Kansas.

BIG BIGLER WINS PING-PONG TOURNNEY

Wednesday, Oct. 10, the upper school ping-pong tournament was held in the Rec Hall.

Winner of first place was Ed Bigler. Second place went to a new cadet this year, Don Prchal, who threatens to be a close opponent of Ed's all winter. Rodney Miller was third place winner.

The cadets participating in the event were: Gary Hanna, Bob Balzerick, Ed Bigler, James Appling, Rod Miller, Don Cofield, Bruce Carson, Leo Perkins, Don Prchal, and Biff Morrison.

—By Robison

McDERMITH, HANNA MAKE DEER HUNTING TRIP

Two deer hunters from the cadet corps were elected to provide St. John's hungry mouths with venison.

Bill McDermith and Gary Hanna were asked to take the deer hunting voyage and were quite enthused. Of course they accepted without hesitation.

This brought on "getting ready preparations," such as licenses, camping equipment, rifles and munitions. After this was taken care of, the journey started.

The cadets stopped in Springfield, Colo., Gary's home, to get some more gear. The boys shoved on from there on the last lap of their journey. Reaching their destination in Monte Vista, which is Bill's home, plans were quickly made for the big hunting expedition.

Bill and Gary were quite excited about what they would do the next day to start the hunt. The first day was thought to be a blank. Traces of deer were seen, but not

until about 7 p.m. that evening did they see the real thing.

A two point buck crossed the wrong path at the wrong time. Bill's brother-in-law was the expert shot on this unlucky deer.

The next day was Hanna's turn. The report is that Gary spotted a doe about a hundred yards away and waited to see if she had any fawns. There were not any in sight, so he shot and the doe dropped.

From what was heard, there were a few miles of mountains walked, and some cold, cold mornings spent on the trip. But, all in all they had an interesting time.

The venison they brought back was certainly enjoyed by the cadets and faculty.

—By Hanna

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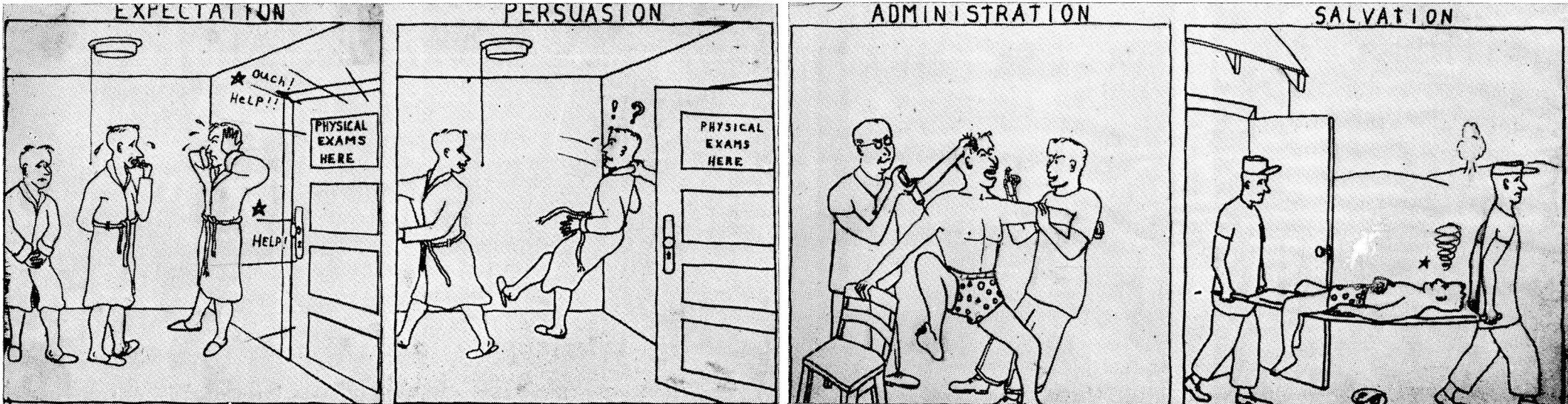


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