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# CO-EDS ON THE QUADRANGLE

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**Y**OU can hide this column back here among the jokes and advertisements and they'll still find it and complain. Apparently, some kind person read it last time because we have learned that the boys want more detail in our talks about the girls. You know, things like their telephone numbers, addresses, attitude towards strangers, and so on. You get the general idea, don't you. So do we; we're not so slow.

Now we know what makes the engineers go round and round and come out here because we're engineers ourselves. Technically, we really mean that if the dean lets us stay around with our 1.35 average and our dirty shirts we'll be trying to tell someone that we know enough physics and calculus to get paid for it. What a living that should make! From factory to freight car in twenty years!

## Esther Strohl

We've been thinking that it's coming prom time soon and that you might like to know the qualifications necessary before a girl decides that you may pay her bills for the evening's disappointment. So if you would learn what a girl considers an attractive date, you should get an idea from what was said by Miss Esther Strohl during her interview. But first, to show that she should know as well as anyone, let us tell you a bit about her.

With the intention of taking a course in ceramic engineering, Esther left Bowling Green College to come here. After talking things over with the professors in her department and noticing that there is a slight prejudice against girls in some engineering departments, she decided that a course in ceramic art and engineering would be the best combination.

If you have never spoken to her, you are in for a pleasant surprise. After hearing nine out of ten people drone along like a guest professor at a two-hour lecture, it's a joy to hear a lively, interesting voice having a slight accent of some sort which is a constant pleasure to the listener. If you like small girls, not beautiful but decently good-looking, you should get along with Esther. Her father is an army officer and since the army contains only the best available men, you would naturally expect Esther to have a well-rounded assortment of abilities. She can ride, likes some of the classical as well as the popular music, has played the violin since she was very young, and does about all the other things which girls are expected to do. Although it is rather unusual in modern girls, she can also cook, and we offer our commendation for this unusual accomplishment.

Ask Esther what she would consider the perfect boy friend and she will tell you that her present idea is a particular student in medicine. You boys are certainly slipping. Two thousand boys and twenty girls in the

College of Engineering and you let her get away to a medical man. Maybe she knows you too well. In order that we might learn what he has that you haven't got, we asked Miss Strohl what she liked about him and she answered, "I don't know what it is but I like him a lot. Everything I guess." Well, we did our best but when it comes like that it must be perfect friendship or something. Sincerely though, we hope they keep going for good. When she stopped to analyze the type of fellow she would like, Esther put in quite an order and we give you the main points. An abundance of money and a car are not necessary but neatness and a clean-cut appearance are desirable. She would waive exceeding good looks in favor of a controlled temper, and common sense, but he must be a good dancer. There you are, men, get out a large sheet of paper and write down the things that are wrong with you. In that way, you may some day become the life of the party and the death of yourselves, no doubt. All of you should be grateful to Miss Strohl and, kidding aside, we think that she is an extremely fine girl and we hope she enjoys both the College of Engineering and the engineers.

## Bernadine Johnston

At the Zeta Tau Alpha house, we found an attractive, brown-eyed girl with a lovely smile, a trifle shy but as pleasant as we ever hoped girls could be. On the way to a laboratory class, she was dressed in skirt and polo shirt which did not seriously effect a boyish appearance. You have probably gathered that we think she is growing to be a lovely girl with a disposition of the same nature.

Miss Bernadine Johnston is the girl and she is studying architecture. On most afternoons you will find her working steadily in an outlandish green smock for which girls have a peculiar fascination. She likes her work so much that we expect her to be a success in apartment and house design.

Although she plays the cello in the symphony orchestra, Bernadine's greatest regret is that she can't whistle like the other students in her drafting class. That vibrant tone just isn't there and she claims there is nothing she can do to get that certain swing into it. So you might send her a police whistle among her Yuletide gifts and thus bring her complete happiness.

Miss Johnston's taste in boys seems to run along the same lines as Miss Strohl's. If you were at the Homecoming Dance, you may have seen her there with her ideal. We have nothing definite to say about her other social affairs but personality like hers will not be wasted, we are sure.

You'll never meet a more regular, likeable girl and the more like her the better. Be good to her, you architects, because the same design is rare.