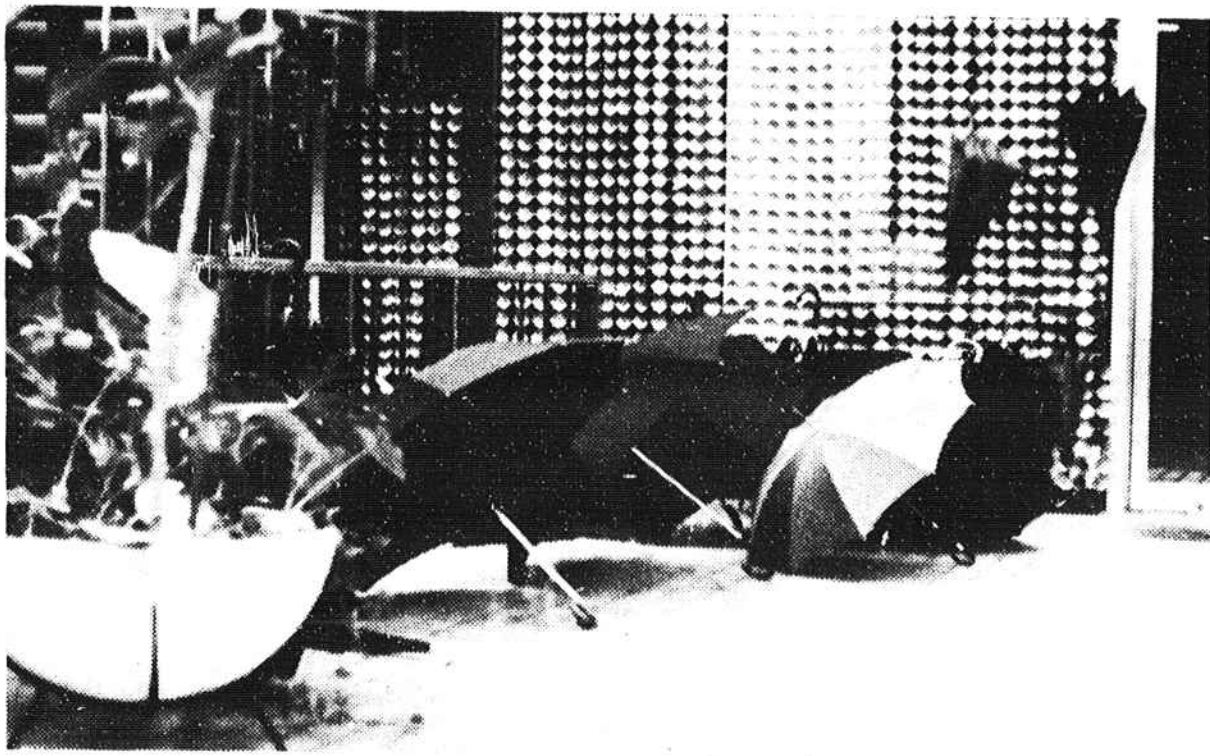




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NO RAIN LATELY? Never-the-less umbrellas and other articles of rain-wear are staple elements in a student's wardrobe, especially here at USC. No one ever knows, not really, how long it will be before the next cloud-burst. Perhaps the next one will be tomorrow, at about 2 p.m. although certainly no one wishes it.

Those Rainy Days At Carolina -- The Ideal Time To Catch Beaux

By SUSAN HARDWICK
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Rain, the wettest form of precipitation, has descended from the sky and wet each and every member of the Carolina student body

(except for the sleepy-heads, hypochondriacs, and love-lorn lunatics who cut classes!)

During the Carolina "dog-days," one is prone to see many new attractions around campus.

The first attraction to the men around campus might be the sight of the girls who forget to wear rain togs. Those forgetful girls run around campus with straight, water-soaked hair; clinging, wet clothing; smeared make-up; and long, sad, embarrassed faces! Perhaps you've noticed some of those girls.

The second attraction to the men might be the rain-ensembles of the Carolina co-eds. If the men aren't used to seeing green and orange ponchos, they sometimes stare intently. Usually a good eye-catcher is a rain tunic made of old Gamecock newspapers—they're really more interesting when wet!!

Rainy days usually aren't welcome at Carolina, but the students "grin and bear it!" Casting their

sunny-day plans aside, they slosh through the mud to face their dearly loved professors.

Did you know that a rainy day is the perfect time to catch that irresistible member of the opposite sex that you've been chasing for months?!! Well, here are some pointers on how to catch him:

(1) If you want the attention of the guy or girl walking next to you . . . wait until there is a big puddle (a cross between mud and puddle) beside you —then, jump and splash water all over him . . . you'll get his attention every time! (By the way, that plan is not effective if the other party is wearing boots.)

(2) If the first plan is ineffective, don't worry. Your umbrella might be the start of a beautiful love-affair. Just casually push the pointed end of your umbrella into the ear of your desired playmate. You're bound to get his attention . . . or his eardrum.

(3) If both plans mentioned above do not work — kindly, but aggressively, shove your victim into the nearest deep mud puddle and nonchalantly step on him . . . if this plan fails, you may as well give up and start splashing your next victim!!

'Coolness' Brushes On

By JUNE MEADOWS
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Are you cool? I mean really cool?

Oh, you may wear the standard clothing, talk the standard slang, and take the standard courses, but this still does not mean you're cool. Now, you're bewildered, I'll bet — just when you, a dyed-in-the-wool collegiate, were beginning to think that you were the epitome of coolness.

Fear not, unfortunate ones. All is not yet lost. I'm about to let you in on my secret, a discovery that will surely raise you to the top of the cool list. You're panting with anticipation, I know, so I'll put an end to your anxiety and save you from being a college failure. Listen closely.

Well, in my months of recent survey, I've discovered that those rare and lucky individuals who own an electric toothbrush are really cooler than cool. Oh, I can just hear you now. "Are you kidding me?" No, I am not kidding you. An electric toothbrush is actually the secret to coolness.

Have you ever walked into your community bathroom in the early morning, drugged with sleep, and heard a slight humming noise? Thinking, probably, that it was still a portion of your last night's dream, you started to vigorously scrub your teeth. (By the do-it-yourself method.)

However, this humming demands attention, so you looked around (and in the process drip toothpaste down your chin) to look straight

into the satisfied face of the coolest person on earth. You stood in a trance watching him smile through the toothpaste and hum some lively melody. His hand holding the shiny electric toothbrush barely moves at all, and his nonchalant coolness makes you regard this person with admiration.

That's it in a nutshell, friends, and, believe it or not, an electric toothbrush will give you the confidence you need to be drenched in coolness. And, naturally, it has

other uses than just brushing your teeth. There's always the satisfaction you'll receive when you see the non-cools looking at you with envy.

A good model comes with at least four different brushes, and it's amazing what you can accomplish with them. They're great to impress a date. You can saddle soap your rah-rahs with one, polish apples with another, or they're perfect for cleaning dirty spots off your clothes. Order a few extra

ones for cleaning your golf clubs and scratching your back.

You've now heard the story of how to succeed in college. If you're one of the cool ones, you already own one. And if you want to be cool, and who doesn't, you'd better buy one tomorrow. Oh, and one last hint, friends. Christmas is just around the corner, so why don't you consider getting the girl or boy of your choice an electric toothbrush? And then, they, too, can be a campus "cooly."

How To Answer Questions Without Knowing Answers

By SUE ADAMS
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"Shooting the bull" is a term used frequently on college campuses.

Because this term is slang, the precise definition is difficult to pinpoint. It could be defined as the process a student uses in answering a quiz question that he doesn't know.

Of course, this process cannot be used on all quizzes. Specific fact questions, such as fill in the blank and true-false, do not allow the student sufficient range to display his creative abilities.

Another important factor is to remember the ideas and opinions of the professor. The best way to answer the problem question is to write a very general summary of the professor's ideas. If he thinks the student is intelligent enough to hold beliefs similar to his own, the professor will often pass the student with a high mark.

If, however, the student remembers nothing about the course or the professor, his method of "shooting the bull" is rather limited. He may have to resort to name-dropping. "As Plato pointed

out in The Republic" . . . or "culture, as defined by T. S. Eliot." This may have no relationship to the question on the quiz, but the professor could be impressed by the student's awareness of such scholarly writers.

Another factor is the student's mastery of the English language. Correct grammar and a large vocabulary are the basic tools of one who frequently practices "shooting the bull." If the professor has a large number of boring, misspelled paragraphs, he may, in relief, give an imaginative but incorrect paper a high grade.

One student, or so it's rumored, was pressed for time (he had two days left) concerning the writing of a 1,500-word term paper. His solution was simple enough. He chose, as subject, a historical figure about whom he had general knowledge. Individual facts, footnotes, and references were created, and the semi-fictional work was turned in on time.

On quizzes many imaginative answers have been written. Undoubtedly they do brighten the professor's sessions with his red marking pencil. Who wouldn't be amused by a statement of this nature? "The scarlet letter was embroidered in yellow."

"Shooting the bull" also comes in handy on those horrible papers known as lab reports. These offer a particular opportunity for frankness and candor. For instance, a truly sincere lab report might begin as follows: "After half an hour of complete confusion, I

finally figured out the diagram. . . ."

However, keep this in mind. Although some professors are blind enough to pass "bull-shooters," most professors delight in failing them.

As one final example of the effectiveness of "shooting the bull," all you have to do is reread this article. Now that you've reached the end, the truth can be revealed.

Seriously now, you didn't really expect to find the formula to easy academic good fortune, did you?

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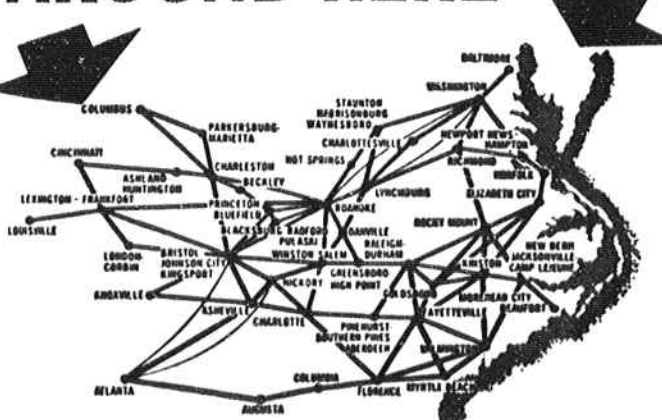
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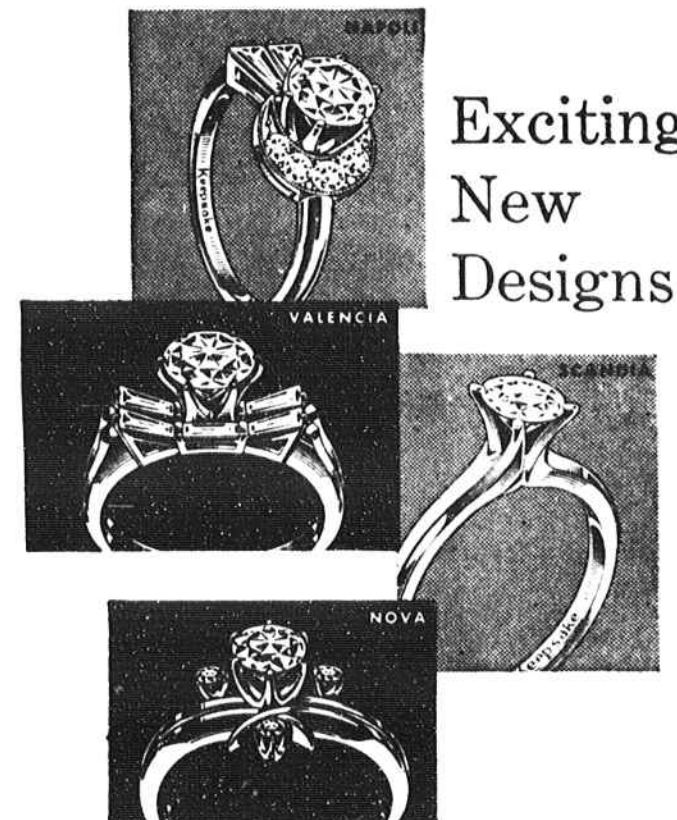


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