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ALUMNI FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

March 2, 1973--7:30 p.m.

I AM SURE YOU UTAH TECH GRADUATES ARE FINDING IT INTERESTING TONIGHT MEETING OLD FRIENDS, COMPARING NOTES, LEARNING EXCITING THINGS ABOUT EACH OTHER. IT IS REALLY A CHALLENGE COMING TO AN ALUMNI ACTIVITY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T ALWAYS BE SURE HOW THE OTHER PERSON IS GOING TO LOOK. EVERYBODY CHANGES. WE NEVER QUITE END UP IN THE DIRECTION IN WHICH WE STARTED.

LAST YEAR I OVERHEARD THIS CONVERSATION AS YOU GRADUATES WERE COMING IN THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR. KYLE AND SHIRLEY RICHES WERE THERE AS SOME 1948 GRADUATES ENTERED. KYLE INTRODUCED HIMSELF AND HIS WIFE TO THEM. THE '48 ER TOOK A DEEP BREATH AND SAID, "BOY, YOU MARRIED ONE OF THE CLASSIEST LOOKING GALS I'VE SEEN." SHIRLEY SAID, "OH, HOW YOU TALK. I JUST THREW MYSELF TOGETHER TONIGHT." THE HUSBAND RAISED HIS EYEBROWS AND QUIETLY SAID, "THE NEXT TIME YOU THROW YOURSELF TOGETHER AND YOU HAVE ANYTHING LEFT OVER, WOULD YOU GIVE IT TO MY WIFE?"

I'M SURE YOU KNOW THAT UTAH TECH GRADUATES ARE IN DEMAND AND IT HAPPENS THAT YOU ARE WANTED IN FIELDS YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE OF. OF COURSE, FEW WOMEN ANTICIPATE A SECOND MARRIAGE, BUT A GROUP WERE TALKING ABOUT THE PROSPECT ONE AFTERNOON. THEY DECIDED THEY WOULD BE MORE PRACTICAL THE SECOND TIME AROUND AND LOOK FOR SOMEONE WITH A KILL. "I'D LIKE TO MARRY SOMEONE WHO CAN CHANGE A LIGHT BULB WITHOUT THROWING THE CITY INTO DARKNESS FOR THREE HOURS." ONE HOUSEWIFE SAID WITH A GLOW IN HER EYES. THEY ALL AGREED THEY WOULD SNARE OFF THE AUTO MECHANICS, THE CARPENTERS, AND MEN WHO COULD HANG A PICTURE WHERE THEY WERE TOLD WITHOUT FILING FOR A LEGAL SEPARATION. THEY CONCLUDED IT WOULD BE NICE

"DOES HE TAKE YOU TO A RESTAURANT THREE TIMES A WEEK AND INSTRUCT THE WAITRESS TO 'FILL HER UP.'"

"WOULD HE PAY \$8.00 TO HAVE YOU TOWED ANYWHERE?"

"IF YOU DIDN'T START IN THE MORNINGS, WOULD HE STAY HOME FROM WORK?"