Mary/Ralph

START

Hi there.

RALPH

MARY

Hello, my name's Mary Lane. I'm looking for Jimmy Harper.

RALPH

You've come to the right place. We've been expecting you.

MARY

Really? Oh, thank goodness. I was so worried about him.

RALPH

I'm Ralph.

RADIO ANNOUNCER/LECTURER In breaking news, marihuana fiend Kalph Wiley may be lurking about our city. Young females are warned --

> (RALPH dives for the radio and shuts it off. He turns back to Mary with a forced air of casualness)

> > RALPH

(holding up a joint) Care for a smoke?

MARY

Hold on. This isn't that "reefer" I've read about, is it?

RALPH

(lapses into standard chuckle, then catches himself)

No. Never touch the stuff.

MARY

Well, no thank you anyway. Cigarettes make me cough.

RALPH

Is anything wrong? You seem awfully tense.

MARY

Well, Jimmy's been behaving very queerly. He took my car without permission and ran off into the night carrying a suitcase!

(notices Ralph's sweater) Say, isn't that a Fraternity sweater? Is Jimmy hanging out with... college boys?

As a matter of fact... yes. He s made such a hit with the fellas at Sigma Alpha Pi that we're planning on pledging him early. While he's still in high school!

(THE PLACARD GIRL crosses: "REEFER MAKES YOU A PATHOLOGICAL LIAR!")

(squeals)

Omigosh! That's the bees' knees! Wait till the girls at Junior Achievement hear about this!

(RALPH lights his joint)

RALPH
Let's celebrate with a smoke. I promise not to tell...

(MARY impulsively takes it. MUSIC UP)

Well, if I'm gonna be dating a fraternity man... END

(MARY takes a puff)

PNG: "LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE"

RALPH

LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE WITH HER HEM CUT SO LOW

(MARY coughs)

RALPH

LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE WITH HER DUCKS IN A ROW

MARY

It burns my lungs...

RALPH

LITTLE MARY SUNSHINE NEEDS A CHANGE IN HER LIFE

MARY

My head feels funny, Ralph...