

### "Haven't Got Time"

Opportunity tapped at the door  
With a chance for a brother within;  
He rapped till his fingers were sore,  
And muttered, "Come on, let me in.  
Here is something I know you can do;  
Here's a hill I know you can climb."  
But the brother inside very quickly re-  
plied:

"Old fellow, I haven't got time."

Opportunity wondered along  
In search of a man who would rise;  
He said to the indolent throng:  
"Here's a chance for the fellow who  
tries."

But each of them said with a smile:  
"I wish I could do it, but I'm very busy  
today—

Very busy today, and I'm sorry to say  
That I really haven't got time."

At last Opportunity came  
To a man who was burdened with cares,  
And said: "I now offer the same  
Opportunity that has been theirs.  
Here's a duty that ought to be done,  
It's a chance, if you've got time to take  
it."

Said the man, with a grin, "Come along,  
pass it in!

I'll either find time or I'll make it."

Of all the excuses there are  
By which this old world is accursed,  
This "Haven't got time" is by far  
The poorest, the feeblest, the worst.  
A delusion it is, and a snare:  
If the habit is yours, you should shake it;  
For if you want to do what is offered  
to you,

You'll find time to do it, or make it.

—*Detroit Free Press*

### Safeguards

Don't play with matches, or leave them  
where small children may find them.

Keep matches always in a closed, metal  
box.

Never throw away a match until you  
are sure it is out, and never throw it in  
a wastepaper basket or rubbish pile.

Don't build bonfires.

Don't burn dead leaves. Dig them  
under, to enrich the soil.

Don't fill a lamp or oilstove while it  
is lighted.

If your clothing catches fire, don't run  
and fan the flames. Drench them with  
water, smother them with a rug or  
woolen blankets, or roll on the floor to  
extinguish them.

Never keep gasoline, benzine, or naph-  
tha indoors. Never uncover them any-  
where near a flame, for the fumes com-

ing in contact with the air form a vola-  
tile mixture more dangerous than dynamite.

Don't use kerosene to light a fire. The  
flame may run along oil on the can.

Water thrown on a grease or oil fire  
spreads it. Smother such fires with  
sand, earth, salt, soda, or by using a  
chemical extinguisher.

Never leave an electric flatiron or  
cooking utensil, even for a moment, with-  
out turning off the switch.

Remind men who smoke that it is  
dangerous to throw away lighted cigar-  
ettes and cigars; they constitute one of  
our worst fire causes.

Know all the fire exits in your home  
and place of business.

Don't allow rubbish to accumulate in  
the attic, and be even more careful about  
the basement or cellar. Fire burns up-  
ward.

Never put hot ashes in wooden boxes.

Dispose of all oily or greasy rags. They  
may catch fire by themselves.

Place sheet tin or asbestos behind a  
stove that is close to woodwork.

### Ten Important Rules

*The Health Bulletin*, for the month of  
October, gives ten very important rules  
for protection against influenza:

1. Avoid people who are coughing or sneezing.
2. Do not attend crowds or large gatherings, indoors or outdoors.
3. Keep three feet from persons talking.
4. When you cough or sneeze, cover your nose or mouth with a handkerchief, or turn your face downward.
5. Don't use cup or other eating utensils used by others without thoroly washing and boiling them.
6. Don't put into your mouth fingers, pencils, or other things that do not belong there.
7. Wash your hands before eating.
8. Eat plenty of simple, nourishing food.
9. Sleep and work in rooms filled with plenty of fresh air; but keep the body warm.
10. If you get influenza, go immediately to bed to ward off pneumonia; and stay in bed several days after fever subsides, to avoid subsequent weakness.

### Success

A woman wrote the prize essay in a  
Kansas paper, in which she tells what  
success is. She draws a noble picture,  
and here it is:

"He has achieved success who  
lived well, laughed often, and lo-  
ved much; who has gained the respect  
of intelligent men, and the love of his  
children; who has filled his niche  
and accomplished his task; who has left  
the world better than he found it, whet-  
ter by an improved poppy, a perfect po-  
poy, or a rescued soul; who has never lack-  
ed appreciation of the earth's fine beau-  
ty, or failed to express it; whose life  
always looked for the best in others, and  
given the best he had; whose life was  
an inspiration; whose memory a bene-  
diction."—*The Dawson News*.

### Athletic Meeting

All the young men and young women  
of Badin who are interested in athletic  
sports, especially basket-ball, football, and soccer,  
are requested to meet at the office  
of Mr. Cummings in the General Office  
Building, on Friday evening, November  
7, at 7.30 o'clock.

### In and Around Badin

Big Gomo has lately become a member  
of his little brother's band, being  
the blower of a large baritone horn. In  
olden days, you were supposed to play  
by air, but in these "Bullshehookit" days  
one should play by note. But on this  
particular instrument it seems that Gomo  
has to make use both of air and note.

C. M. Sturkey was off a week recently,  
getting in his winter supply of hickory  
nuts. He also made good use of his  
opportunities by securing a few square  
meals off his father-in-law, over in Albe-  
marle.

Mr. Luther Merrett and family have  
moved to Palmerville, where he finds it  
more quiet. He says he never could  
stand the noise and rush of city life.

We couldn't help wondering what busi-  
ness it was that took Rice over to Albe-  
marle on Sunday, since the stores were  
all closed that day.

Mr. G. M. Fischer, of Pittsburgh, who  
has been spending some time in town,  
has returned to his home.

Mr. P. J. Urquhart, who has been  
visiting in town, has returned to his  
home in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. Clarence W. Coffman spent  
Wednesday and Thursday in Asheville  
on business.

Mr. J. C. Collins, of Pittsburgh, was  
a guest at the Badin Club this week.

Mr. R. H. Lefler spent his vacation  
with his parents, at Millingport.