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DREAMS AND DREAMERS

Psychologically speaking, dreams in which we engage while our conscious minds are still in exercise are types of artistic thinking which we permit our thoughts to wander because we are not satisfied with reality. That is, we are groping for greater achievements, for higher marks in life; we are reaching forward to perfection.

Of us, then, are potential dreamers—and dreams do come true to the extent that we work toward them. We have seen this evidence in our college environment—the growth of the campus; the growth of the student body; the increase in the number of buildings; the broadening of the curriculum; and the growth and increased efficiency of the faculty. Dreams are our wishes, our desires, our aspirations, which gives us courage in working out our present problems; and which gives us hope to continue our efforts. Four years ago this institution as a college for women held its first commencement in which there were members who were graduating from college. That class was composed of only four members. Since that time there has been a steady increase through the years of '31, '32, '33, and '34.

We, the class of '34, hold in high esteem those graduates who as pioneers have blazed our paths, have made it easier for us to follow, and made it possible for us to make greater achievements. We, too, observe them directly or indirectly as they have gone out to make their contributions. We are aware of the fact that they have done their parts with paths less stony and with less facilities. And so as we, the dreamers of the graduating class of '34, approach our last days here at Bennett we, too, with changeless love for our Alma Mater, with heartfelt sympathy for all of our sisters who may come after us, and with hearts set on high things and broad enough for all, sit and gaze in the future. We

see a greater Bennett, for we are able to visualize members of the class of '34 who have gone forth to stand up where others have fallen, to serve where others have failed, and to build on strong foundations.

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"To report the happenings on the campus of Bennett College for Women and all news of interest concerning the school and student body; to furnish the students practical experience in the business of conducting a student publication, and to afford opportunity for literary development and journalism."

With the above aim in view we, the members of the Bennett Banner staff of 1933-34 have served. We take this opportunity to thank every individual who has co-operated with us in our efforts of publication this year. We wish for you a pleasant vacation.

EFFECTS OF SPRING

Have you ever stopped to think that when the spring season arrives, college students live in an atmosphere of laziness? Various questions play on their inner consciousness—as why can't we stay in bed and sleep instead of going to breakfast in the morning? Why do we have to be on time to our meals, anyway? Why do we have to report to 8 o'clock classes in the morning? During these pretty sunshiny evenings why can't we be free to live our lives instead of spending two hours in a laboratory dissecting on the fish or testing whether a solution is a sulphate or a phosphate? Instead of studying hard lessons, why can't we just socialize, engage in parties, etc.?

Oh, well, as I think over these questions, my conscience submits one answer to me—it tells me that anything which is of any value to me, I must fight and struggle for it. It also tells me that work comes before play. What does your conscience submit to you for an answer?

As I further ponder over the subject, I am reminded of the following poem, which was taken from the Saturday Evening Post, November 18, 1933, titled "After Being Chided by the Dean of Women":

"I don't want to think again,
Morals drive me mad,
I don't want to care about
What is good or bad.

"Interactionism, norms,
Brain events and chroma,
Pigment, pragmatism, cells,
Heredity and soma—

"Everything I ever learned
Only makes me wish
Evolution could have stopped
With the jelly-fish;

"But some jelled precestor
Even then as now
Would have queried:
Little first, whither goest thou?"
P. P. J., '35.

"Service is worship. Our deeds must be in harmony with our highest thoughts, and then life lived in harmony with the will of God will be a thing of beauty forever."

EXCHANGES

A good knowledge of history will help to keep one sane in his attitude toward the present world conditions and problems.—The Aurora, Knoxville College.

When we think that people used to be satisfied at running 15 miles an hour we have to confess that science has brought speed up to date through greater vision.—Ridgeview Broadcaster, Hickory, N. C.

A very sure path to intellectual and spiritual death is the failure of a teacher, whatever may be her preparation and degrees, to read for cultural improvement. The day's work may be exacting and exhausting, books in the community may be few and their purchase expensive, amusement may tempt the leisure hours, but for a teacher to neglect the reading of good books is to insure intellectual and spiritual death.—The Shaw Bulletin.

One of the reasons why many persons do not have strength for Christian living is because they are not doing anything that requires strength.—The Epworth Herald.

The world no longer stops to pat one who is down. In the past we often made ourselves believe that the world would sympathize with us when we were down and give us a helping hand until we reached the surface. Those of us who possess intelligence now know that this general opinion is wrong. The world has no time for a quitter. . . . It is too busily concerned with the one who is going up.—Berean Broadcast.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETS

The board of trustees of Bennett College for Women met on the campus during the week-end of May 6. Plans were made for the building of the new Pfeiffer Hall and the heating plant, made possible by the \$250,000 offer of the General Education Board of New York City, and the gift of \$100,000 secured by Dr. M. J. Holmes, assistant secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church from an anonymous friend in New York. The donors of this gift, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, were first publicly disclosed at the service of May 6, after which the ground-breaking service for Pfeiffer Hall (named for its donors) was led by Mrs. W. H. Goode, president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Present at the meeting of the Board of Trustees were Dr. T. F. Holgate, of Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, of Sidney, Ohio; Prof. J. A. McRae, of Reidsville; Mrs. J. W. Cone, of Greensboro; Mrs. J. W. Carroll, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. P. H. Hargis, of Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. W. R. Brown, of East Aurora, N. Y.; Dr. W. C. Jackson, of Chapel Hill; Dr. F. C. Eiselen, secretary, and Dr. M. J. Holmes, assistant secretary, of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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