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Dr. Rowland's Wit and Wisdom

Dr. J. M. Rowland, editor, author, preacher, traveler, lecturer, and humorist twice addressed the student body Tuesday in "just talks" that made all his listeners forget their troubles and laugh.

Dr. Rowland speaking in a typical mountain drawl that he has not lost, notwithstanding his extensive travel and contacts with peoples of the entire world, began his afternoon address with the jokes with which he continued to intersperse both addresses. Dr. Rowland took as his theme an incident which occurred in his boyhood when he was attempting to catch some bumble bees in a bottle to keep as a private treasure. He compared himself, as a man, to the catcher and said that as he caught qualities of life, he would catch and put into himself cheerfulness, appreciation of humanity, bravery, progressiveness, and faithfulness.

He urged that we be optimists not pessimists and meet life with a smile. "The greatest thing in the world is a human being" said Dr. Rowland, as he spoke of being human. He urged that we be brave and have confidence in solving our problems. "Ghosts that haunt us in the night are the things we laugh at in the day," he said. Regardless of present economic despondency in this country, Dr. Rowland said that now is the greatest of all times for progressiveness, especially for the youth of America. Concluding, Dr. Rowland said that the greatest tribute one can pay another is to say that he is faithful.

In his evening talk Dr. Rowland spoke of some of his travels in the Old World. He began by saying that to be a good traveler one must be humorous, able to give and take, punctual, cooperative, and discriminating. "The best way to know people is to travel with them--and usually women are the best travelers," he said.

Beautification of the Campus

Monday morning, January 20, at the assembly period the student council presented a program on the beautification of our campus.

Ida Whisenant, the first speaker, showed us how visitors are impressed by the appearance of our campus. She stated that visitors come here and then go away and tell others what they have noticed while here.

The effect of a clean campus on us personally was then discussed by Tom Graham. Tom said that when everything was kept in order and cleanliness prevailed it made us feel better and gave inspiration to do greater things.

The ways in which we have failed along this line in the past and remedies for these failures were next brought up by Ferrell Young and Burton Jessup. New trash barrels are to be placed at various places on the campus, walks are being planned, present walks are to have stone edges, shrubbery is to be planted, better parking facilities are to be arranged, and various other improvements which will improve our campus. The council hopes to create a spirit among the students which will help in accomplishing these things.

Clubs Meet

Mitchell Faulkner led the devotionals at the meeting of the Ministerial Band Friday night. Mr. Buckner led a discussion on "Problems in Building Up the Church."

At the meeting of the Photo-Nature Club, the members enlarged a picture of Connestee Falls, frozen over after Christmas.

Try-outs for parts in the play "Skid-

Dr. Rowland began his foreign travels in 1914 and was in Rome when the Great War began. He told of the foods, homes, customs, facilities, and products of Egypt and Palestine.

President Coltrane Speaks at Vespers

Sunday evening President Coltrane was the speaker at the vesper hour. He used as a background for his talk the Sermon on the Mount and showed us how Christ's teaching was not theoretical but simple suggestions for better living. Mr. Coltrane stated that Christianity is not a system of ideas but a way of living. He raised the question, "Is Christianity possible?" and emphasized the fact that if it is to be possible later on it is up to us to lay the foundation now.

A feature of the program was a solo by Miss Louise Williams.

Dairying Class at Work

Twenty boys are progressing fast in the new agriculture course which opened this quarter and is being taught by Mr. Colvard.

The first unit of work, one which the class is now working, is Dairy Cattle and Milk Production. This is a five-hour course, and there is one laboratory period each week.

Most of the boys engaged in this course have studied agriculture prior to that time; and many of them will make some phase of agriculture their life avocation.

At present the college has thirteen cows which are cared for and milked by certain boys of the school.

Many have expressed a desire to inspect or go through the dairy. Mr. Colvard says that if enough students wish to see the dairy, he will be glad to conduct a group through each Sunday afternoon.

ding" are being held this week. This is a three act comedy, and it is to be presented in February.