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WHAT'S THE USE?

Johnnie, you're not original, you're typical—typical of thousands of college students in the United States today. So you feel that it is useless to spend your time studying, because you are Johnnie, and because you will be in war by June? And you you want to know, frankly, what good Shakespeare will do you when you're ripping some other guy's belly with your bayonet? You want to know what good all those neat political science theories will do when you're in the filth and gore of battle? You want to know if we will stop to worry about those theories of human rights when you're trying to kill some other fellow who's not much different from yourself. Johnnie, you say why not forget college and have a good time—for tomorrow you may be drafted.

Listen, kid, you shouldn't quit college, draft or no draft. What guy would be so dumb as to kill himself because he'd heard there was a plague in a nearby country. And maybe you don't quote Shakespeare to yourself when you're out in the slime of battle. But I will, . . . if I can remember any . . . and I'll thank God I ever learned anything of true beauty. And those neat political science theories. At least they'll help me remember that there is a little reason and hope stored away in books—which someday war-sick men may turn to.

Suppose, Johnnie, they do get you in the draft the first day of June. Will your college training help you shoulder a heavy pack . . . will it help you pitch tents and dig ditches. I'll say it will. Johnnie, you'll have an advantage over everyone of your buddies. You already know what it means to obey laws laid down for a small group. In college you have found out also what it means to share what you have with your fellowman. You've got every advantage. And even if you do keep plodding around as a foot soldier, you should be conceited enough about your college work to think that it'll help you to be a better doughboy.

Johnnie, you can go ahead and run, but I think most of us will stay here. And maybe when the world has sobered up and counted the toll of broken heads, useless eyes and limbs, some of us will remember a few of those lectures we sleepily exposed ourselves to at Carolina.

And we may remember the world was once a genial sort of place where people could reason out problems and talk things over with the other guy.—Campbell in the Daily Tar Heel.

SNIP AND SNOOP

Some Expense

Time: Early evening.
Place: Dining hall . . . Junior-Senior . . . Table 6.
Those Involved: Spence and Spence.

What Happened: There was a Toast or maybe a Response (could have been Dr. Smith's), and table No. 6 was busy with its place cards, which were being passed from person to person to be signed. (You know how it is.) The dinner passed nicely and then came the dessert. With that, everyone reached for his or her card which, by this time, had been returned to its owner after having been signed by every person at that particular table. Naturally enough, everybody was anxious to know what the rest thought of him or her. Very nonchalantly Royall Spence picked his card up and while glancing through his future memoirs came upon the following: "It sure is nice to see you here tonight. You're such a fine, understanding fellow. I don't know of anyone I like better. In my opinion, you're positively the best . . . Royall . . . P. S. You certainly aren't conceited. That's what I like about you." By Golly, I'll bet he blushed. Reckon he meant that for Bob Truitt?

New Mode of Life?

Flash! The impossible has happened! Claude Lawrence is living a life of seclusion from all women in general and a certain "Ruth" in particular. We didn't believe our ears at first, however, these are the facts. Judge for yourself: Monday—he refrains from visiting her, but sends two letters. Tuesday—he doesn't even write but he calls her twice. Wednesday—he doesn't even call her up, she comes down to see him. Thursday—she doesn't even come down, he goes up. Friday—he ignores her entirely by sending candy and flowers. Saturday—she hates him to the extent of mailing a box of homemade candy. Sunday—he ignores her by spending eighteen hours and four meals with her. The author of this article congratulates Mr. Lawrence on his new mode of life.

Break For The Barber

Did you hear several certain sophomore boys speaking to everyone all day Wednesday? Well, don't feel hurt cause they didn't. Seems like there was some kind of pact and everytime that someone spoke to one of them the person was handed a piece of paper with words to the effect of, "We ain't-a-speaking . . . no not even to you." But it seems that one little boy broke the pact with a certain lil' word sounding strangely like, "hub" . . . and in answer to a question asked by one of Elon's most glamorous blondes, eh what, Dot? And now he has to spend a whole quarter to get his hair cut or maybe the other boys will cut it for him before he gets a chance. Well, good luck Jim Ferris, 't' was nice knowing you.

Snips

Have you noticed the commotion that Imogene has caused? Has Bob lost a girl or found one (or both)? Personally, Jack C. thinks that a cyclone has struck or is it just a miracle instead? . . .

What's happened to Peg and Freddy? Is it that there isn't enough to do with an off-campus boy friend, Peg, or is it that you are going in for Jim-nastics these days? . . . One addition to the lists of S. P.'s by four different girls: Bill Sullivan. Is it true that Causey still gets a letter twice a week from Appalachian way and that she always encloses a three cent stamp? Nice work, Sir Garland . . . Burnsie makes a hit with everyone of the girls on campus but not one of them seem to make a hit with him . . . broken heart of a girl back home, Burnsie?

DAY STUDENTS

Last month found four of our members celebrating their birthdays. Helen and Hazel Truitt, and Keron and Agnes Walker all had their eighteenth . . . We hear from reliable sources that the Day Student's Parlor is to be remodeled. The partition between the stock room and the parlor is to be taken out and general repairs are to be made on the entire room. The parlor will be used by both boys and girls. Don't you think that in return for this we should cooperate with the others in trying to keep Alameda clean and quieter- . . . Sarah Winters has become very much interested in the Service League meetings since one of the Elon boys is the sponsor . . . Helen Allred has gotten very few Chapel cuts lately, since the seating arrangement puts her beside one of the Ossipean Romeos . . . Ruth West is praying for the day when Helen Lashley feels that her model A is out of date and she gets a new one. By the way Ruth, if you keep up the good works we will have to change your name to "Mae" . . . It seems that Carl Martin just can't find an equal to Helen Long . . . Ed, did you and Nick decide to join the Bearded Wizzards or did you loose a bet? . . . Albert, since you and Juanita have broken we really feel that you and Doris Huffman should get together . . . We hear it's a girl that's giving Irven's heart the whirl. From Roanoke Rapids of all places in the world. Well, luck to you buddy, you'll need it we know. For when the twain shall meet there'll be a show.

Your humble snooper has snooped quite a lot. But for unique proposals Helen hit the jack-pot. We've traveled great distances and viewed many scenes. But a proposal through the paper we never have seen. (See Maroon and Gold—past issue)

The books on reserve are read very hard. By Worth without putting his name on the card. And upon checking delinquent readers to find 't'was odd that such a thing should have slipped his mind. While riding with Keron the clock was brought to mind. For we must be back before the classes of nine. But she boldly informed us that when with her for a ride we're likely to return long after the tide.

Just a mutual arrangement between two boys and a girl, First Wallace, then Fred, gives a twirl. But some trouble they're having their dates to get fixed. For in such a triangle they're liable to get mixed.

In High Point there lives a pretty Miss, we're told, Whose eyes, so beautiful, toward Albert once rolled. And now 'tis he whose heard is so light. And longs to see whose eyes, so sweet, so bright.

Birthday and candy go together for a certain twin. And not to use that hickory to a few seemed a sin. So off to the woods for a sapling to find. They shuffled that De Sota about half past nine.

And when back to the campus they returned quite late. A certain big spot was as black as a slate. (We're told) She was sick, she contended, as she reeled on her feet. But bothering us still is why she must stand up to eat.

LIBRARY NEWS

Charm is the subject of two books in the library. The first, the most sought after, is "Charm" by Margery Wilson. Frankly, this book is disappointing. It contains 137 pages of beautiful, flowery words that mean exactly nothing. It will be of very little value to the college student who is trying to improve his personality. The author runs a charm school in New York, and seems to have a large amount of that elusive quality herself. However she doesn't succeed in telling others how to attain it.

The other book doesn't have such an attractive cover, and its name doesn't make you want to read it. But the contents are up-to-date, written in a brisk, friendly manner; and it's intended for boys and girls of high school and college age. The pictures are as modern as this month's Mademoiselle and just as interesting. So if you want to know how to act with people, or if you need a few pointers on personality and popularity, or even if you have an empty hour to fill—try reading "Cues for You" by Mildred Graves Ryan. You'll like it.

INTERCOLLEGIATE CHIT CHAT

W. C. T. C.:

Western Carolina Teachers College recently launched an educational project in Audio-Visual Education. Although this project is still in the experimental stage, it has as its objective broader and more dynamic teaching. This project began early in January with a number of educational films pertaining to the work of the various classes of the training school and the college.

Princeton:

A suggestive telegram to a fair maiden at Vassar from a Princeton chap . . . an invitation to a prom, it is. "Don't be in a fog, don't be hangdog, I am the slog, who wishes to drop you down to the Junior Prom. You Hog."

Thus says the Daily Princetonian.

Marquette:

This university tells us a story of the campus romeo (wonder if he's anything like Claude Lawrence) who went to a fraternity convention and after three days, wired the local girl: "Having a swell time." Wish you were here."

Pratt:

The Defense Training Institute, a newly formed school, was put into operation on February 3, by the U. S. Office of Education and the engineering colleges of Greater New York. These colleges include: B. P. I., College of the City of New York, Columbia University, Cooper Union, Manhattan College, N. Y. U., Pratt Institute, and Webb Institute of Naval Architecture.

INQUIRING REPORTER

Question: What do you think of the study hall idea.

Lavinia Kerns: When I first came here I didn't know how to study because I never did in high school. In study hall you have to sit there with a book in your hand anyway, so you might as well be studying. I am getting in the habit, and might learn something eventually. Mother will be happy when she hears I have to study a little.

Katherine Armstrong: I think it's a good idea, but I really would like to get out a little earlier—by 9:30 anyway.

Goldie Morris: Well, I wasn't required to go, but I went some anyway because I felt that I could concentrate on Spanish a little more.

Virginia Deese: I am learning more because I can apply myself better in the study hall. They ought not have such long hours, though.

Lloyd Old: Good idea! I have got more studying done there than I have anywhere else.

Angie Henry: I like the idea, but I think they ought to allow students to take reference books from the library up there, or make some provisions for the students. I believe if it keeps up it will be a success—if it isn't made to seem too much like a prison sentence or punishment inflicted.

Tennala Abner: I believe it helps some and does no good at all for others. Some need that kind of encouragement to help them settle down to study, while others resent it. It all depends on the person.

Edith Thomason: I like the idea myself. I get lots of studying done that I couldn't do in the dormitory.

Estelle Freeland: I think it's a very good idea because the girls who made F's evidently need something like that. And they say they really study more than they ever have before. I've started to go a couple of times myself.

Lib Muir: I like it, but I think you should be able to leave when your lessons are done instead of messing around up there. And I think you ought to be able to get out of study hall with a good excuse.

Carolyn McClenney: I think it helps to get your lessons up. If you stay in the dorm, you gum or listen to the radio instead of studying.

Dot Chapman: I think it's a good idea, because up there you can be quiet and study, while in the dormitory you can't.

Gloria Barfield: I don't go to

it, but I think it's a good idea. I'm going to go there sometime. But maybe I like it because I don't have to go.

Kat May: I think it's a splendid idea. Although it's mostly for dormitory students. I think it would be nice for day students too.

Margaret Pennington: I think it's a good idea, because some students need something like that to make them see the value of an education.

Roy Mansfield: Good idea. Should have been done before. It shows what an understanding between the faculty and students can accomplish.

Rena Black: Oh, I like it. Why? Oh, I don't know . . . I just do. Oh yes, I did hear a couple of students say that they had their studies prepared for the first time this year; they like it.

Billy Siddell: I don't like it. Remember, fellow, this isn't high school.

Ruth Coble: I think it's a grand idea, because I don't see my boy friend up there and can concentrate better.

"Pee Wee" Inman: I think it is a good idea if I don't have to go. "Midnite" Gallardo: I like the study hall idea because it is a quiet place. I can get more studying done up there than I can anywhere else.

Jimmy Hamrick: My opinion is that it won't work. I don't think the students will go and I don't see how they can force them because this is not mentioned in the catalogue.

Hazel McInyre: I think it's a good idea. It keeps people from getting into meanness.

Elizabeth Newton: The study hall is a nice thing for those people who want to study. It might help those who made low grades last semester to do better this time.

Peg Galloway: It's a good idea for those who need it.

Virginia Coone: All I know, things are awful quiet over in Ladies Hall since they started having it.

Tal Abernathy: I don't like it. It looks like high school stuff to me.

Sil Caruso: It seems to me that a study hall should not be necessary in college, but it appears that this is the only way that half-way decent results can be obtained.

Yock Malloy: It's all right, but it shouldn't be compulsory because most of the work this time of the year has to be done with reference books in the Library. And these books cannot be taken out of the library.