

Freshman Thoughts

Is This You?

SHERRY SPENCER

To study or not to study, that is the question. This is a new version of a quotation by Shakespeare and is the most important question that faces a college student today.

During the first semester, one student spent his leisure hours using the many freedoms he had acquired. He attended all classes and never slept during these sessions, but he forgot all of them the moment he was dismissed. The time that should have been spent studying was spent attending movies, sleeping or playing cards. Studying was considered by him a waste of time. After the grades for the first semester were compiled and he found his average, he exclaimed, "I owe the school six quality points!"

Should a student who never studies expect to pass all his subjects? If you never studied, would you?

A Wise Investment

FRED BYRD



Students who are most successful in college are those who use their time wisely. How can a student make the most of his time? Usually, the prospective scholar, in preparing his schedule for a term, finds that he has plenty of free time. His advisors and instructors appeal to him to take advantage of this time and use it in a manner that will be most helpful to him in his studies. Undoubtedly this statement is repeated a number of times during his stay at the institution.

Students who have learned to adapt themselves to college life spend a great deal of their time studying in the library or dormitories and taking an active part in campus activities that are conducive to their ultimate purpose. We generally find that these are the students who excel and get the full benefit of a college education. As a result, these people find that they are better prepared to meet the demands of the world. The student's ability to grasp the habit of profitable time utilization may prove to be one of his greatest assets throughout his entire college career.

Are You Guilty?

JOSEPH GILLESPIE

Mediocrity has had a most undesirable effect on the ability of many of our students. This term, mediocrity, may be defined as a state of being satisfied with average accomplishments. It is this realm that has



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swallowed so many of our potential students. The shocking thing about it is the student usually knows his position, yet he does not try to escape from this less profitable realm. It can be imagined though that such negligence on the part of the student justifies the statement that the trouble with life is one is halfway through it before he realizes it is one of those do-it-yourself jobs.

The question, why should a student work to achieve beyond the realms of mediocrity, has often been asked. The chances of getting into any staying in a college of your choice are greater if you have dedicated yourself to the task of preparing for it than they would be if you just moped through being satisfied with just getting by. The criteria of our state-supported

schools require that you make at least a reasonable score on the College Entrance Examination in order to qualify for admission. The job opportunity is greater also if you have excelled in a variety of fields. The presidents of large manufacturing companies are not looking for someone merely to do the job, they are looking for well-rounded workers.

Those students who hope to make a real contribution to the American way of life must educate and re-educate themselves periodically, or they are doomed to mediocrity.

Death

BEVERLY A. VINSON

Death can be compared to a boxing match. It is a fight to the finish, a blow-by-blow struggle for survival.

Let us analyze the above statements. We shall give death a title. He will be called Mister Dee and the opponent, we shall say, is Mister Ex.

As Mr. Dee enters the ring, dressed in black trunks and weighing heavy on the heart, medical referees surround him and the frail opponent who is Mr. Ex.

The medical referees never hear the starting bell. Breathlessly they dodge back and forth, watching every move that the fighters make. Mr. Dee's eyes glare and the cold breath burns his victim's neck; yet the referees, clad in white from head to foot, watch. They watch in a silence which is broken only when one of them requests another instrument with which to examine more clearly the progress of the fight.

Pouncing on his opponent, Mr. Dee throws him against the ropes and lands a left to his temple. The referees watch the victim fall and they attempt to count him out. But, the victim is once again on his feet, dodging the blows and attacking his assailant with all the fury and vigor of any determined fighter.

Yet, Mr. Dee, so strong and cruel, grips his victim in a mighty clasp and the fight is won! The referees take off their white coats and count the unlucky Mr. Ex out.

They hold up Mr. Dee's right hand and he is proclaimed champion. Yes, death was a fight and death was the victor.

Juvenile

LURETHA COATS

Juvenile delinquency, one of the most serious problems confronting our nation today, is actually bred by the effect that our modern technological society has upon the youth and by adult delinquency.

Modern science, while very advantageous and profitable on one hand, seems to be very detrimental and destructive on another. It is responsible for producing narcotic drugs and tonics which induce drug addicts for inviting speedy, reckless automobiles that plague the nation's highways and increase the death toll; and, for devising modern machines and appliances that rob the teenagers of their domestic chores and account for that extra hour that they use committing a felony or misdemeanor. As time progresses, we may sometimes wonder whether this modern age is more destructive than constructive: the question is certainly debatable.

The parents must also share part of the blame for this social calamity. Parents are guilty of not safeguarding their children against contaminated ideas and unhealthy choices as the child matures. They also neglect to bestow upon the child a sense of love and security. When this happens, the child is easily attracted by any outside group which offers him affection and a sense of belonging. Often this group is a mob or gang practicing illegal offenses. They do this to fight back or strike at their parents. The divorce rate is also an important factor, not only in rearing of children, but also in crime and inhumanity.

Tennis

With the coming of spring, Fayetteville State will field its first CIAA tennis team, with Coach Page Sanders in charge.

Located at the southeast end of the Smith Athletic Field — directly to the rear of the Lilly Gymnasium — are four new Laykold tennis courts just recently completed. Each court is regulation size —

More than \$18,000 was appropriated for construction of these courts, and for the fencing and landscaping. Plans are underway to add bleachers.

The tennis schedule is printed elsewhere on this page.

Candidates For Graduation

FIRST NINE WEEKS — FIRST SEMESTER

Joseph L. Biggs, Laurinburg, N. C.; Lucy Junetta Boyd, Manson, N. C.; Margaret Gore, Chadbourn, N. C.; and Betty Rose Grissom, Butner, N. C.

SECOND NINE WEEKS — FIRST SEMESTER

Mrs. Mary Cheek Applewhite, Roseboro, N. C.; Percy L. Arrington, Washington, D. C.; James Clarence Davis, Whiteville, N. C.; Willie Graham, Jr., Fair Bluff, N. C.; Joan Elizabeth Hall, Durham, N. C.; Mrs. Mary Weston Mann, Fayetteville, N. C.; Mrs. Mable E. Clay Murray, Wilmington, N. C.; Pauline McDuffie, Laurinburg, N. C.; Mrs. Essye B. Turner, Fayetteville, N. C.; and Mrs. Geneva Foster Whitelaw, Fayetteville, N. C.

— The Records Office

This Is Today

Today is here. I will start with a smile and resolve to be agreeable. I will not criticize. I refuse to waste my valuable time.

Today has one thing in which I know I am equal with others — time. All of us draw the same salary in seconds, minutes, hours.

Today I refuse to spend time worrying about what might happen. I am going to spend my time making things happen.

Today I am determined to study to improve myself, for tomorrow I may be wanted, and I must not be found lacking.

Today I begin by doing, and not wasting my time — I will not imagine what I would do if things were different. I will make success with what material I have.

Today I will stop saying, "If I had time," for I will never "find time" for anything — if I want time, I must take it.

Today I will act toward other people as though this might be my last day on earth. I will not wait for tomorrow.

Tomorrow never comes.

— Blanche Manor



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Although modern science proves to be destructive in one manner, we cannot halt the progress of it because it is necessary for the advancement of society; therefore, the decision of minimizing this social evil rests with the parents more so than with modern science. So, parents, since the decision is yours, what do you propose to do about the situation?

Track Season

The Fayetteville State College track team is currently preparing for its 1963 season which officially opens Saturday, March 23, at Fayetteville. Teams participating in this meet will be Winston-Salem Teachers College, Johnson C. Smith University and Livingstone College.

Coach Scott is optimistic regarding the team's prospects for the season.

The returning veterans include Sprinters Sam Maxwell and Roscoe Dobbins, pole vaulter Alfred Clark, shot putter Jimmie Hill, hurdler Willie Sessoms, and miler Dewey Toone.

This year's group of newcomers is a promising group. Among them are sprinters Cecil Ramsey, Sandree Blue and William Swift, quarter miler William Conway, distance runners Peter Baker and James Keyes. All of the newcomers show great promise and are expected to improve as the season progresses.

All in all, everyone is looking forward to a successful season but mindful of the fact that successful seasons are the results of hard work.

A. A. U. Meets

Fayetteville State Teachers College participated in Indoor Meets during the Christmas Holidays. Coach Harold L. Scott entered two Bronco Trackmen in the Metropolitan Association A.A.U. Development Meets in New York on December 22 and 29. Trackmen participating in these meets were Cecil Ramsey of Brooklyn, New York and George Woody, Jr. of Washington, D. C. Ramsey placed first in his heat of the 330 yards and second in his heat of the 300 yards. Woody made an outstanding showing in the shot put. "Hats off" to these two trackmen.

BEHAVIOR

Be interested — don't try to be interesting.

Be pleasing — don't expect to be pleased.

Be entertaining — don't wait to be entertained.

Be lovable — don't wait to be loved.

Be helpful — don't ask to be helped.

Spring Sports Schedule 1963

Baseball

MARCH

22	Benedict College	Away
23	Allen University	Away

APRIL

6	Shaw University	Home
9	Maryland State	Home
17	Howard University	Home
19	Hampton Institute	Home
23	A&T College	Home
27	Delaware State	Home
29	Delaware State	Away
30	Howard University	Away

MAY

1	Maryland State	Away
4	Shaw University	Away
7	A&T College	Away
11	Hampton Institute	Away

Tennis

APRIL

3	North Carolina College	Home
8	Livingstone College	Away
18	Elizabeth City	Away
24	Livingstone College	Home
26	North Carolina College	Away
30	Elizabeth City	Home

MAY

3	Saint Augustine's College	Away
6	Saint Augustine's College	Home
9-11	CIAA Championships	Away

Track & Field

23	Quadrangular Meet (Livingstone, Winston-Salem, Johnson C. Smith)	Home
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APRIL

MARCH

6	South Carolina Invitational	Away
20	Hampton Institute	Away
27	3rd Annual Invitational	Home

MAY

3-4	Marine Corps School	Away
10-11	CIAA Championships	Away
18	Carolina's AAU	Away