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### "PROCRASTINATION."

Procrastination has been called "the thief of time." Others have added that it was worse than a thief—a murderer and that which it kills is not only time but also the immortal soul. If these statements be true there is probably more time stolen and more souls killed around a college than any other one place, for it seems that there is one of the easiest places to get in the habit of putting off things. We put off everything imaginable. Franklin said "Never leave that till tomorrow which you can do today." But it seems evident in several instances that "we never do today that which we can put off till tomorrow." When we have a certain amount of outside work assigned in any course, so many of us wait until the night previous to begin it. We say "Oh, I have right much time and I'll just do something else now." Time goes on, the assignment comes due but we are not prepared. Can we wonder that our teachers become vexed or even angry? It seems that they are justified and yet we remark that "he or she crawled the crowd."

If we search the pages of history we will not find a single instance where a man who failed to do his daily task ever won a great place in the world. Cervantes said "By the streets of 'By and By' we arrive at the house of Never." The man who always intends to do something is usually the one that never does it. The person to be admired in college or out of college is the one who is never too busy to perform his task; and the one who realizes that there is danger in delay.

Right well has it been said that "Procrastination is the thief of time," for as a thief steals that which belongs to some one else and takes it to himself, so does procrastination take that which belongs to the present and give it to the future. And as a thief must answer for his crime, so must procrastination answer for its folly. If we get in the habit of putting off things while we are

in college we will reap the effects of it when we get out of college. When we get out into the busy world we will have problems to face that cannot be put off. But how can we do otherwise than put them off, if that is what we have been practicing while in college? Don't forget that the habits we form in college are the ones that will go with us through life and if we put off things while here we will more than likely keep it up when we get out into other fields of activity.

### LETTERS TO GUILFORDIAN.

(Publication of letters does not necessarily imply that their sentiments are endorsed by the Board.)

#### An Old Custom at Guilford.

There was once a rule at Guilford that only the Juniors and Seniors could sit in the middle pews at church on Sunday mornings. The lower classmen were supposed to sit across the aisles in the side pews.

While this was once a custom here no one would recognize it today. On Sunday mornings as many Freshmen file into these pews as do Juniors and Seniors. What little distinction there might have been in this is now lost and we often see the Juniors and Seniors sitting in the side pews while certain important individuals (known hereabouts as "rats") occupy the more prominent seats.

Every one at Guilford College believes in democracy and no upperclassman would mention this to a Freshman, but every Freshman should remember that he is not the one to break customs. If he sits in these seats while a lower classman he cannot appreciate this privilege later as he could if he were to wait and earn it. Some time if the custom is preserved, he will be able to gain this privilege which is due those who have paid the price and he will then be able to appreciate it.

### CALENDAR.

Thursday: 6.30, mid-week prayer meetings.

Friday: 7.00, Literary Societies; 8.30, Girls' basket ball game. Saturday: 7.30, Society contest, Graded School.

Sunday: Regular religious services.

Monday: 6.45, Biblical Seminar; 7.00, first chorus practice.

Tuesday: 6.30, Junior class meeting; 7.00, second chorus practice.

Wednesday: 6.30, Freshman class meeting; 7.00, Science Club.

Misses Mary Patterson, Myrtle Ashworth, Willie Moore and Helen Mangum, of Greensboro, were week-end visitors at the college.

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