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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Au Revoir

And now our readers, we take leave of you. Our task is finished. With the publishing of this issue of the Guilfordian the present board steps out and the new board will take up the work next week.

For us it has been a pleasure to do our bit to keep alumni, old students and friends of Guilford in touch with its activities. We see, however, where many improvements can be made and should be made. We have tried to eliminate some of the worst faults, but there is much yet to be done, and we rest in the belief that the new board under the new plan of organization will be able to accomplish more next year. We cannot go, however, without thanking those who have so loyally supported us in the work. We are truly grateful to all who have, in any way, contributed to the success of the paper. We especially desire to thank our faculty advisors for the live interest, which they have taken, and for the hard work that they have done. Whatever success has been attained, this year in the publishing of the paper, is due in a large degree to their efforts.

We congratulate the members of the new board for the honor and responsibility which they have had placed upon them by the societies. We extend our very best wishes to them in their work for a better Guilfordian.

### THE DRAMATIC COUNCIL

With the presentation of "Clarence," the Dramatic Council has practically completed its work for this year. We think that anyone who understands the situation will be highly pleased with the work done.

The council, from the outset, faced a different task. On the one hand the problem was one of building both a dramatic and financial success, and on the other, the problem of making over an entertainment which was a financial success into one which would also be worthwhile and a credit to the institution. Another difficulty was the lack of experienced student material upon which to build definitely. Practically the only source of experience at Guilford in the past was the Y. W. C. A. play which was far below the standard, which it was thought should be set. The minstrels, as they were given in the past, developed little, if any dramatic talent.

Needless to say, rapid strides have been made this year in the matter of dramatics. Two splendid plays have been presented which were far above the average which has exhibited at Guilford, for several years. In the matter of high class entertainment, they have been far su-

perior to those for which they were substituted.

One of the big problems just now seems to be a financial one. In this matter the Y. W. C. A. has been as successful or more so than in the past. The Athletic Association, however, has not realized as much from the play, in a financial way as it formerly did from the minstrel. This, however, is no indication that it cannot be made to. The outcome on last Saturday evening bids fair to take a live interest in this work. The play can soon be made more popular than the minstrel could ever have been.

The Dramatic Council is to be congratulated for the splendid work done this year. It has made even more progress than was to have been expected in one year. The Y. W. C. A. and the Men's Athletic Association are very grateful to the council for the work which has been done in their behalf, especially to the faculty members of that organization, who have worked so faithfully. The success of the production has been largely due to the work of Miss Roberts and Miss Polk who have directed the plays, and to Professor Balderston whose work in planning and building the scenery, has produced one of the chief features of the entertainments.

It is no unusual thing of late to hear Mr. Been's new lawn mower in operation. In fact scarcely a day passes when the wild onion and seedy grasses do not hear the sound of destructoin.

The campus has improved in looks wonderfully since Mr. Been's arrival. The majority of the students are grateful for his care of the grounds, and are co-operating with him by staying off the grass and insisting that others avoid "Cuts" on the campus. However there are still those who are careless about the little things which mar the beauty of our campus. Let us be so careful of our walks and drives that the detested white posts, which Mr. Been was forced to place here and there, may be taken down next year.

Mrs. Raymond Binford has received from her uncle Timothy Harrison and from the Plymouth church of Indianapolis, Indiana, 461 lantern slides for the college. The slides are devoted primarily to famous paintings and sculptors and will serve as a fine means of creating an appreciation of art among students at the college. There are also a number of pictures showing artists at scenes connected with classic literature.

—Baltus Meyer and David Gommell, aged 20, left Boston, N. J., a few days ago on a horseback trip to San Francisco.

—Seventy-eight per cent of the farms in Kansas have telephones.

## ALUMNI NEWS

Mrs. Anna Davis McArthur, '13, with her two children is spending some time with her parents Prof. and Mrs. J. Franklin Davis.

Mrs. T. A. Ashcroft, formerly Linnie Shamburger, '07, was principal of Rock Rest School this past year.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Briggs visited friends at Guilford last week.

Mr. John Chappell, '13, is studying chemistry at Johns Hopkins.

Mrs. Nora Meredith King, an old student of Guilford, is county superintendent of schools of Worth County, Iowa.

The wedding of Bertie Dix and Hardie Carroll will take place at the home of the bride at Westfield on June 15.

Many Alumni and old students attended the play given for the benefit of the Boy's Athletic Association last Saturday evening. Among these were: Misses Mary Petty, Gertrude Mendenhall, Mrs. W. T. Smith, Alma Chilton, Nellie Stewart, Edith Harrison, Messrs. David J. White, Hal Lassiter, Fowell Mendenhall, Robert Marshall, Clyde Smith and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McBane.

### THE FILTHY FLY—A HEALTH TALK

The flies are coming! They have been asleep all winter in some quiet corner of the cellar or the woodshed and now they have been tempted out by the warm sun and are flying about and breeding and laying eggs and buzzing, buzzing, buzzing.

They can lay their eggs in almost any decaying rubbish that has been left lying about but the place they like best is the manure pile. If there is an old-fashioned manure pile near your house you can be sure the flies have laid their eggs in it and that the little white maggots that came out of the eggs are wriggling about and feeding in the manure. They will live in the manure about five days and then they will burrow down into the ground and make a little brown case like the chrysalis of a butterfly and after three or four days more a new generation of flies will hatch out of the brown cases and crawl up to the surface of the ground and start on their career of crime.

What sort of crimes do they commit? Murder, sometimes. For they pass from manure piles and outdoor closets and other filthy places to your breakfast table and wipe off the filth they have gathered on the bread and wash it off in the milk pitcher or they crawl over the rosy lips of the baby in its cradle and leave filth there. In the dirt the fly carries on its feet there may be typhoid germs or germs of summer complaint and when this occurs the fly is a deadly enemy.

So, good citizens will swat the fly and trap the fly and starve the fly by keeping windows fastened and food covered. Above all, they will prevent the breeding of flies by cleaning up rubbish and keeping manure in dark tight bottomed bins from which the maggots can not burrow out into the ground and from which the manure is regularly removed and carried away at least once a week.

Now is the time to begin the war on the fly. See to this in your neighborhood and the filthy fly will realize it is no place for him and will fly away to some other town.

—More than 1,500 telephones are added daily to the Bell system.

—Dr. J. M. Peebles, who wrote a book on "How to Live a Century," died recently in Los Angeles, Cal., lacking forty days rounding out 100 years.

—At the close of 1921 the United States controlled one-fourth of the entire commerce of the world. This country leads all others in its export business.

—Rochester will expend \$11,000,000 for new school buildings, about one-half to be built this year; and Buffalo will expend \$3,500,000 for seven new school buildings.

—The Kansas City, Mo., superintendent of schools declares that jazz music is like booze in its intoxicating effect upon young people and ought to be abolished.

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