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EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Dramatic council, with Miss Aline Polk, head of the English department as its director, scored a complete success in the presentation of "Three Live Ghosts" last Saturday night. The cast of characters was well selected and carefully trained so that the play went through with an ease and snap that won several of the most critical minds.

This is the fourth production of the Dramatic council and the second one to be given for the benefit of the men's athletic association. It was noticeable that the audience was of a more refined type with a higher developed appreciation than that which formerly attended the annual minstrel.

"Three Live Ghosts" differs considerably from the plays previously given by the council. Dealing with life among the cockney and aristocratic classes of London, it demanded much more real acting on the part of the cast than does an American play featuring characters who come more nearly within the average student range of experience. Besides giving valuable dramatic training to the characters, such presentations are sure to bring an increased number of visitors to our campus each time, and consequently a wider and better acquaintance for Guilford.

Baseball and the Howling Mob

The opening of the baseball season has already filled the student body with enthusiasm. Hard practice has been going on in spite of the weather, and with practically all of last season's players at their regular positions and some valuable new men the indications are that the Quakers are going to put into the field a team that deserves praise.

The schedule provides for twenty-one game, including every important college in the state as well as several in Virginia. This will be the first time for several years that Guilford has met Carolina and some of the other stronger institutions of the state.

Now is our opportunity in baseball. Our team is strong and is working hard. However, not as hard as it will work when the students get behind it with better organized support and a little more personal interest. It is our team and our victory if it wins. The same old spirit that sent the basketball team through a successful year will do

the same for baseball so let's begin early.

We don't want to make cheering too mechanical. We want to feel it. But there is a decided need for more organized yells and songs. This means that there must be some leaders who are willing to assume the responsibility. There are three or four students outside of the Senior class who have taken the lead sometime, but in order to support our team as it should be supported a cheer leader and some assistant should be elected. Now is the time to back our boys for they are out for the victory and they have got the pep.

— "Shave and a Hair-cut"

Visitors are appreciated at the college more than they were a week ago, for last Friday was clean-up day. Now the leaves, sticks, and dead limbs are all removed and the grass has a chance to grow. With a few more warm spring days we are going to have one of the most beautiful places to be found anywhere.

Even though biology, French, and a few more equally interesting subjects were postponed for the day, the splendid co-operation and hard work entered into by both faculty and students made it a splendid expression of college life at Guilford.

It is often repeated that college students are a select group of young people who have come to college to be trained for future service. This service is to be found in the community life, the home, school and church. It follows that if we are to become leaders or intelligent followers in our home churches that we must cultivate our religious nature. Certainly there are many ways of doing this and no opportunity should be permitted to pass by unheeded. The question which naturally comes here is: "Are Guilford students availing themselves of all opportunities?"

If you wish an answer to this problem, look over the church for a few Sunday mornings to see if all college students are present. No doubt you have already been struck by the fact the number of college girls and boys is rather small. Probably you have been wondering what is the reason for the absence of so many.

There seems to be a growing tendency among Guilford students, to spend Sunday morning in the dormitories. A few decide after the Sunday-school that it would be more pleasant to stay at home. Others still find it so much nicer to sleep or read than to go to the church that they are seldom found there.

Why such a tendency should arise is not so easy to be decided, for, I dare say, practically all our students have been accustomed to attend church each Sunday at home. Why should we when we get to college consider ourselves good enough to get along without church services, or why should we become too lazy or indifferent to attend? Here we are certainly not forced to listen to a long, thundering, puritanical discourse, but are very fortunate in having interesting sermons.

College students like freedom but, as Harry Emerson Fosdick says, "Real freedom never consists in mere release from all restraints; freedom is the positive substitution of inward self-control for external restraints." It is pointed out that we are becoming a nation of non-church-

goers. The faculty do not count us each Sunday or enforce any rigid rules to make us go. Nevertheless, ought we not to remember that even though we are not being looked after like small children, that it is for our ultimate good that we go to church? We should attempt to cultivate among us a sentiment for one hundred per cent attendance. If the students cannot do this, then it is time that the authorities should take the matter up. What are you going to do about it next Sunday?

QUAKER QUIPS

Taking a glance at the baseball schedule published in last week's Guilfordian, we would suggest to the faculty that any one who makes the team and still passes his work be given his degree immediately.

In spite of all we can say to the contrary, foreigners persist in calling this springtime. Chickens are hatched, spring-cleaning is suggested, and a native of the middle west has even gone so far as to lease the library porch for a summer camp.

However, we think if the library porch is to be used for sleepers, that it would be advisable to install curtains.

Promoters of clean-up day could outsell Hutchinson with a new one entitled "If Summer Comes."

A headline referring to the play in the last edition of the Guilfordian asks "Whose Afraid?" We venture to say that it's those "Twinkling stars" so kindly referred to in the next line.

They have passed; the three live ghosts.

The Sh-s-s in the last Guilfordian may be applied to the method of the High Point-Guilford College campaign. However, it seems they are Sh-s-sing the quota over the top.

Spring is a wonderful season, with mid-terms sprouting on every hand.

Only two quizzes popped during the season of Lent. Conscientious faculty?

"March-hatched chicks are stronger than those hatched in April." Probably because gymnastics are discontinued at Easter. But you could give them spring tennis.

Every fifty-five minutes we think of the seniors.

The worst thing about the time system is the rising bell.

Weather prophecies for next week:

Fair and warmer; rain and cooler; these changes will take place about five times a day.

William C. Benbow, an old student of Guilford, has been in business in Mexico City for a number of years. He is quite prominent there, and is so much respected and loved by the Mexicans that they took excellent care of his property and business affairs while he was in the States during the war.

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