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Something to Think About

From compromise, and things half done,
Keep me, with stern and stubborn pride;
And when, at last, the fight is won,
God, keep me still unsatisfied.
—Luisa Costermeyer.

PARAGRAPHS

It is generally believed that there will be no living with the freshmen from this time forth; however, the three classes who do not win the games have still one reason for crowing over them—they are still on probation. Some authorities have been heard to express the opinion that they may or may not get off in time to graduate.

There were several very interesting scenes in the play, last Saturday night, in which, to use a time-worn phrase which has not been heard for several years, "the wine flowed freely." However, no effects being observed on the "actors" who consumed great quantities of the aforesaid beverage, we conclude that it must have been something weaker.

Dr. Ansonbe was heard to threaten emphatically to exclude Mabel McElhenny from his office, for a very slight offense, namely: that of missing the basket while shooting a foul during one of the games. Cannot some definite action be brought to bear against him, so that this very unjust but how can he be removed?

ALUMNAE'S EXAMPLE

Salem has loyal alumnae who express their devotion in many ways. Some of them showed their interest by being present at the Thanksgiving games and banquet, and others by wiring greetings and "best wishes" which Dr. Routhlander took at the banquet. Such expressions of devotion as these show that the girls who have left Salem still think of her and love her. They recall the happy days that they spent here, not least among them the Thanksgivings. From these girls who come back we hear only words of praise and of happiness for what Salem is doing and for having had a part in her life.

Might we not find an example in the loyalty of the alumnae? Most of us love and appreciate Salem, yet we criticize more than we praise. We speak more readily of the few faults of Salem life than we do not like than we do of the many things

about it that we do like. Though we are loyal at heart, we speak critically of these things not only to the girls in school, but to outsiders as well. This gives them the wrong impression of Salem, for they know only what they hear us say.

We need not be blind to conditions in school that need improvement, but when we see them we may discuss them with the girls in school and try to find some way to change them. Otherwise, let us leave the unpleasant things alone and show our appreciation of Salem by showing others that we enthusiastically uphold all her ideals and standards.

ATHLETICS ARE NOT OVER

The Thanksgiving Games are over and with this event the basketball season closes. Although this marks the greatest athletic event of the year, it is by no means the last. Other sports are soon going to be begun; for the fall season, hockey and volleyball and for the spring, base-ball, archery and track. Each of these sports is worth while and offers opportunity for constant exercise. A certain amount of exercise is necessary for everybody, and especially for students who have spent much of their time in doing mental work. "A sound mind in a sound body" is a much-repeated phrase but it is true nevertheless. In order to achieve the best mental efforts one must put forth some physical efforts. The logical way to take this necessary bodily exercise in college is in athletics.

Aside from personal benefit, college loyalty demands that, if possible, you participate in at least one sport. The greater the athletic coming out for practice, the more exciting the games will be, so keep yourself and your college spirit in good condition by coming out for sport.

Expression of Sympathy

The Salemite wishes to express in behalf of the students of Salem College, their sympathy to Miss Adelaide Eries and to Miss Marian Blair upon the death of Mr. John Eries, the father of Miss Eries and the grandfather of Miss Blair. Miss Eries has for many years been intimately connected with Salem College as a member of the Board of Trustees, and also a further connection through the fact that his mother, his wife, his daughter and two grand-daughters have been students at Salem.

Announcements

On Saturday evening, November 25, in Memorial Hall, the MacDowell Club will present a delightful romance entitled "Last Supper," starring Richard Barthelmess and Luis Moran. The story is concerned with the love of a prince for an American girl, and contains many interesting and romantic episodes. The supporting cast includes Geoffrey Kerr, Henry Vibert, George Spelvin, Harry Short, Bijou Fernandez and Prince Roknedine. As an added attraction a 2-reel comedy entitled "Somebody's Fault," will also be shown.

The Y. W. C. A. will hold a Japanese Bazaar on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, November 29, in the Cabinet Room, on the third floor of Lehman Hall.

Dr. J. Kenneth Pfall will speak at the Y. W. C. A. Vesper Service on Sunday evening, November 27.

A fat man who started down the subway steps, slipped on the second step and started sliding at a rapid pace toward the bottom. Halfway down, without any warning of his new method, he collided with a fat colored man, knocking her off her feet, and without losing any time the two continued the journey together. When they reached the bottom with a thud, Mandy, still dazed, continued to sit on the gentleman's chest. Looking up at her he exclaimed with a trace of sarcasm, "Mandy, I'm sorry, but this is as far as I go."



The National Student Council will propose to the 1928 Biennial Convention a constitutional amendment providing for a change in the alternate personal basis for student Associations. The proposal has been approved by the National Board, and will be sent to the member Associations. Rumors that the students were working for a change seem to have been received with some surprise, even though an amendment had been made at the Milwaukee Convention.

What is the matter with the amendment authorized at the Cleveland Convention? Why do they bring this up now? We thought we had just finished a student basis discussion.

Their proposal is not the result of hasty judgment. Although two student organizations had passed by favoring the making of the alternate basis and its passage by the Convention, it was used enthusiastically by student Associations. From the beginning there was difficulty with the preamble, regarded as part of the purpose statement, but the problems of administration were met with ingenuity and tact. In the Assembly of the 1922 Convention, a commission to study "standards for student Associations" was requested. When this body was appointed by the Executive Committee in January 1923, part of their charge was "that the commission make a study of the current conceptions of the purpose of the local Association and suggest definite ways in which the local Association may more honestly and thoroughly live out its purpose; if a careful study of the present phrasing of the purpose reveals that it does not state the purpose clearly or helpfully, the commission is prepared to bring to the next Assembly suggestions for a more adequate statement."

The report of the commission to the Assembly of 1924 stated that there was need for a national purpose statement, and that many Associations did not consider the statement in the alternate basis adequate to express student aims and desires. A national objective was adopted as a means of finding out the kind of purpose statement needed: "We unite in the determination to live unreservedly Jesus' Law of Love in every relationship and so to know God"; and a commission on Purpose and Function of Student Associations was appointed to continue the study on the subject of purpose. This commission collected statements made by Associations, and studied the use made of the national objective.

The Assembly at the Milwaukee Convention had for its theme, "The Study of the Purpose of the Student Movement of the Y. W. C. A." The Student Council was instructed to appoint a Purpose Commission, and to present a new statement to the Convention of 1928. The report of this commission based on the most careful study and consultation with students, faculty, and friends in the church and in other parts of the Y. W. C. A. on this basis upon which the final statement was adopted by the Executive Committee of the National Student Council in its annual session, Riverdale, N. Y., September 8, 10, 1927.

Purpose. The Young Women's Christian Association of the Young Women's Christian Associations of the United States of America, and a participant in the World's Student Christian Federation, declares its purpose to be:

We, the members of the Young Women's Christian Association of the United States of America, realize full and creative life through a growing knowledge of God.

We determine to have a part in making this life possible for all people.

In this task we seek to understand Jesus and follow Him. It is the purpose of a Christian movement. The Student Council

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believes that it is essentially Christian. A growing knowledge of God, an attempt to understand Jesus and follow Him; a share in the full and creative life longed for by everyone, what are these but the essential message and meaning of the Christian faith? And in that process which is essentially Christian, for they ask each member to live by the truth she knows with a whole heart, and that truth will set her free in worlds of experience not dreamed of at the start. It is the process of Jesus Himself when He said to his friends, "Follow me" and in that comradeship they became men and women of power and beauty. It is Christian because it expresses a profound confidence in Jesus. The student Associations stand in the midst of the college world declaring themselves to be among those to seek to understand and follow Jesus wherever that may lead.

Is such a statement acceptable to the Y. W. C. A.? That is the question. It is worth noting that the purpose statement has two main emphases. The first is an assertion of loyalty to the Y. W. C. A. and the Federation, and the second is a simple statement of Christian experience and intention arising from the students themselves. For the Student Council are whole-hearted members of the Association. They understand and accept the Fellowship and responsibilities of membership, and expect to make their contribution to the faith and life of the whole movement.

Will the student Associations accept this proposal? That will be determined in the Convention. Already we have evidence that students are taking their own membership in the statement, and several Associations within and without the movement will determine their future relation with us according to the action on this matter. What we need now is careful information, frank discussion between student and non-student members, and an honest facing of the issue in Convention.

Hostess: "I want you all to make yourselves at home. I'm at home and I wish you all were."

FRESHMEN WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

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Athletic Association, who presided in the absence of Anne Houston, head of the teams, Sue Jane Manney, Freshman, Margaret Sells, Sophomores, Mabel McElhenny, Junior, and Charlotte Sells, Senior, made a few brief remarks in verse and prose, tactfully expressing their views concerning the outcome of the games. Dr. Routhlander next presented a cup to Sue Jane Manney, captain of the Freshman team, with a few appropriate and well-chosen words of congratulation. Mrs. Allyn, physical director and basket ball coach, announced the varsity as follows: Frazier, Charlotte Sells, Manney, Margaret Sells, Betty McAnney, Thompson, R. Dawling, Taylor, Stacey, Stowe, Kirkland and Carter. Adelaide McAnally also presented Salem creators which were worn last year by Pearl Martin, Frances Hanes, Lilyan Newell and Helen Johnson.

In behalf of the alumnae in general, several of whom were present, and the class of '25 in particular, Mrs. "Polly Hawkins" Hamilton, former president of the Athletic Association, expressed her joy at being present at Salem for the Thanksgiving celebration. Dr. Routhlander, according to a long-established custom, read messages of greetings, sorrow at being absent, and congratulations to the winning team, from a large number of alumnae who were unable to be present. Dr. Routhlander also commented on the fine spirit displayed by members of the teams during the hard-fought games. The banquet was brought to an appropriate end by the singing of the Alma Mater.

Hopeful.
An inquisitive lady, out for an afternoon stroll, came upon a crowd of boys following respectfully at the heels of a large man who was in haste to an appropriate end by the singing of the Alma Mater. "Is he some famous person?" she asked a small boy. "No," replied the youth, his eyes on the pavement; "He's got a hole in his pocket."

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—And—

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—In—

"Now We're In The Air"

—Also—

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