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STUDENT OPINION

Who, after hearing the frank and free expressions against closed study hour the first few nights of its enforcement, can make the statement that the majority of the Meredith College students approve of the new act, or how can it be said that it will bring about cooperation among the girls? It is anything but cooperation. It is the death of one of the means of stimulating this desired element of college life. It is the expression of a feeling that our girls do not respect the right of others and cannot be trusted to do that which is best for their good and that of their neighbors. We do not want such a feeling as this cultivated in our college where we are trying to carry out all things on the honor system, where one of the highest things we are attempting is to establish a students' government based on the high ideals of confidence in each other, and honor in the highest degree.

Furthermore, a girl who wants to study will do so, and one who wants to make candy, read novels, or indulge in any of the many other popular dormitory pastimes will just as surely do so, nor is this the only place where we see the ineffectiveness of closed study hour. It is equally as useless in preventing the popular cry "my roommate never wants to study when I do." It is true that the roommate, who "causes all of the flunking," can no longer bring visitors into the room during the two hours and fifteen minutes of closed study hour, but there is nothing to prevent her cooking, (and the odors sent out by chocolate or sausage are sure death to concentration) or gaily chattering every second of the hour. "Oh," you say, "she would not do that, of course if you were studying." Well, neither would she bring friends of hers over your study sign.

Then too, closed study hour causes girls to postpone their work until the two last hours of the day simply because there is the assurance that everyone will necessarily remain in her room, the library, or some class room during that time, but alas! having spent the hours of the afternoon down street, or leisurely strolling about the campus, she who has thought of doing her work during study hour, finds herself tired, and perhaps the victim of a beastly headache, but with the all too short two hours in which to do her work for the next day. This was all due to her lack of good judgment? Yes, but it is true just the same, while heretofore she, with no assurance of a quiet hour in the evening utilized the first available opportunity in preparing her work for the next day, and had the evening to spend as she most desired.

We do want a high standard of work on the part of the students, but along with that we want freedom and we want this standard

POPS AND CRACKLES

Blest be the tie that binds
The collar to the shirt,
For underneath its silken folds
Is hid a neck of dirt.

R. Honeycutt: "Lucile, will you have to wear glasses all the time?"

L. Wilder: "No, no, only when I am using my eyes."

"Jim would be the most graceful dancer out at State College but for two things."

"Yes? What are they?"

"His feet."

Mabel Oldham: "Tell me not in mournful numbers, Life is but an empty dream. Isn't that found in the Bible?"

Mary Blunt Martin: "I do wish the mail would come. It is awful to be kept in suspicion." (suspense.)

Sadie Hobbs (at table): "Please pass the damsel preserves."

"The young man on the opposite side of the room graduated at W. F. C. last year with 'magna cum laude.'"

C. Booth: "With who? I believe I don't know a foot ball player by that name."

Difficult

Some one asked Farmer Jones how many pigs he had. He replied that when he counted them there were nine, and the other one ran around so much that he couldn't count it.

Meredith girl at W. F. C. Anniversary reception, while drinking punch: "How about a toast?"

W. F. C. boy: "Er—I don't see any. Where is it?"

Teacher: "Name three articles containing starch."

Small boy: "Two cuffs and a collar."

A. H. W. (reading aloud) "You hear that boy laughing?—you think he's all fun; But the angels laugh, too, at the good he has done."

P. Day: "Did that come from the Bible?"

Wonderful discovery! Perpetual motion machine! Francis Cherry's mouth.

brought about by the voluntary exercise of the better side of each girl's nature working in harmony and cooperation with every other one, rather than by the enforcement of such rules as remind one of kindergarten days.