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EDITORIAL

DEPRESSION ADVICE

The following was clipped by the father of one of our girls and given to us to use. This seems to be the time to study this psychology and take advantage of such good advice. Its "straight from the shoulder" but the kind you feel like obeying to the uttermost:

"My Dear Louise: You have been raised in the simple faith that money is merely a convenience, to be used sensibly, and not a measure of social worth.

"You have been spared contact with snobs. You would enjoy a rattle-trap, strip down Ford more than a Rolls. And I am quite sure that an income of millions wouldn't make you stuck-up, any more than poverty would make you ashamed.

"But you are a little materialist, just the same, and too much of your happiness depends on pretty frocks and the trimmings that go with them.

"That is the nature of your age and sex, and probably doesn't indicate anything seriously wrong; but still there is a possibility of danger and I want to give you a word of warning. The materialist is always in danger. He may go broke at any time and the most miserable creature alive is a materialist who has run out of material.

"Do you know why people kill themselves when they lose their money? Doesn't it seem idiotic to sacrifice life and all the joys it has to offer merely because a little money has been lost?

"The people who do it are materialists. Money is the one thing—they have to make life worth while. It is the foundation of their self-respect. And when they lose it, they have nothing to fall back on—nothing to hold their chins up.

"They are the most unfortunate people—no matter how much money they have?

"The chief trouble with the American people today is that they depended too much on material prosperity for their happiness, and hard times found them without any spiritual resources to stiffen their backbones and keep them smiling in time of trouble.

"No wiser advice ever was given than that to lay up treasure where moths and rust do not corrupt nor thieves break through and steal. Money is a blessing if you don't become a slave to it, but it's a curse to those who love it for its own sake.

"Your best chance to be happy is to train yourself to enjoy the things that have no price tag. Those who understand values could

enjoy life just as well if the world contained no money. The richest rewards are for those who enjoy doing things and being things instead of having things.

"Love,
"DAD."

CO-OPERATION PLEASE

This issue marks the beginning of a new year and with it also shows depletion of the staff of the paper. Five members of the staff were unable to re-enter school this year and their work will be missed a great deal. Their places are to be filled by members of the Sophomore and Freshmen classes who, upon trial, are found to be competent enough for the positions. This is to be concluded from the assignments given to those who entered the contest started by the staff of last year's paper. This contest is to be judged on a system of points, given for good journalism throughout the coming year. The prize is twenty-five dollars, fifteen to go to the Sophomore having the greatest number of points and likewise ten to the Freshmen.

We hope that in this way we will have a wider scope to select the material for the paper from and so better it as much as possible. With such a depleted staff, it is hard for the first issue to be a judge of what is to come but with the promise of good material there is nothing left for us to do but make the best of the situation and count on the co-operation of every one, including all our new girls.

DISSERTATION ON BOOKS

These poor, deluded Freshmen and the unsuspecting upper classmen—no one but college students can ever truly appreciate their position in regard to books and finances. Each year the upperclassmen journey back to school joyful in the knowledge of their books stored away on their dormitory shelves, thinking that by the care of them they can buy most of their books. And they, too, are, expecting to buy second hand ones. But lo and behold—the teachers greet them thus—"I'm sorry but the old book proved insufficient for the course, so we will study another one this year"—so it goes from class to class. And when the poor, discouraged, poverty-stricken student reaches his last class all his hopes and money have been taken from him.

It seems that it has become a habit for books to be changed and a bad one for the people concerned.

All upper classmen are loaded down with books that they can never use again—Freshmen have to buy most of their books new, as do the Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. Somehow it just looks like somebody has been kept holding the bag, and without a doubt it's a tough feeling.

Perhaps there isn't anything that can be done about the matter—yet it does go hard to have all of our money sunk in useless books that can never be used again at Queens-Chicora. It will surely be a help to the student body if some few books can be used again next year—provided the shelves don't break down with them during the summer months.

OUT OF DEBT

Dr. Frazer's announcement in chapel last week that Queens-Chicora has no debt is a statement which surprises all of us. We are glad to hear about the financial status of our institution, and feel more or less concerned. There are certain facts along this line about which each should have an opinion.

Many things are working together to enable our presence at this college. We know this but perhaps do not realize it. The two most outstanding factors of our education are intellectual and financial in nature. The majority of students meet classes, study and take part in activities; some of us know that we have scholarships and the rest is settled between parent and president. It is natural that we do not dwell on finances but they do concern us tremendously in three ways. In the first place, we should make all possible advancement in classwork, not only conscious of fulfilling our mental capacities but also conscious of attendance fees that are being payed. In the second place we should take care of college property. It is easy to mar the walls and floors heedless of the good work put on them last summer. And in the third place, we should save electricity. It is easy to forget to turn off our lights and neglect the payment of our irons and stoves.

If we think, we ought to realize that Dr. Frazer makes announcements concerning electricity and so forth for our own welfare. By co-operating in these matters we are able to attend this institution more cheaply. Then let us not complain or criticize our president for making these announcements, for many of us are enabled the benefits of a wholesome college education through him.