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KEEPING RULES

Rules, in the beginning, are laid down for the good of students. No rule is usually made unless there is a need for it. Though we may have outgrown some of our rules, we must still govern ourselves by them until they are removed by a vote of the student body.

Many of our most important rules are constantly broken—purposely or carelessly. We overlook the fact that disobedience in one thing leads to disobedience in another, and go calmly on, breaking the rules we do not like.

Chowan's ideals have always been high and we have no reason for not upholding them today. If anything is to be done, we should raise them higher, because we have more opportunities and, therefore, more responsibilities than those who have gone before us.

SOCIETY DAY

What sort of spirit will be manifested this Society Day is one of the great questions in the mind of every Chowan student at the present time.

Society Day was established in order to create a keen sense of rivalry on the part of the students and thus to make for better efficiency in the work done.

Society day most certainly has created a spirit of rivalry, but has this been the type that was desired? At times this rivalry has reached such a height that it has almost caused serious disturbances in the school life.

No one wants a rivalry in our school that will tend to break up long standing friendships or will cause hard feelings on the part of anyone.

The way to keep the proper spirit is to show sportsmanship before Society Day, on Society Day, and even after Society Day. No one individual can bring about this spirit although one individual with a lot of influence may do a great deal toward the creation of the proper spirit. It takes everyone in school, working together, to get the real spirit.

It may be considered smart at times to say some cutting remark to a rival, but in the end it will be found that it would have been far better to have replied in a tactful way.

Play fair with the other Society, and if that Society wins, don't go around saying that they won the decision unfairly.

If we are tactful, fair, and sporting, it seems to us that there is no doubt about what kind of spirit will prevail on Society Day.

BURNETT SPEAKS

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it would be easier to buy legal drink and they wouldn't want it. The reason why boys and girls are drinking is that we have the prohibition law." Mr. Burnett proved by several illustrations that the same argument, when applied to any other question, would not be tolerated. "Do you propose to teach a child to be honest by making it easy for him to steal?" he demanded.

Mr. Burnett advanced the idea that the moving pictures of today violate the Constitution by showing liquor parties on the screen. He said seeing these parties made the youth of the land have them.

"If you are going to do things in life because others do them, you will not be worth much for good in your community," concluded Mr. Burnett.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

February 14, Valentine's Day, is thought to have originated in the pagan ceremonies of the Roman people at the celebration of the Lupercalia. Another theory is that it is a day set aside in the honor and memory of St. Valentine, a bishop who was noted for his good deeds and who was beheaded as a martyr in 270 A. D.

From this theory the custom grew up in Europe that on Valentine's Day people should do some deed of kindness for someone else, write notes, or send some word of love and cheer. From Europe the custom spread to other countries and to America.

As time passed it finally became a day for young men and women

to send a token of love to one another. Valentines, as they are known, were sent with verses which spoke of love and devotion. These were in many shapes and often very fancy.

In recent years a new type of Valentine has come into existence—the Valentine which caricatures or satirizes some trait of human nature. These comic Valentines seem to have become more popular with the older people and those which are of the sentimental type are being used by the youngsters.

ANNA LAURA BAKER.

PRESIDENT EDWARDS MAKES AN ADDRESS

"Success" was the topic of President Edwards' message to Chowanians on February 13.

"Success is something that no one knows much about," declared Mr. Edwards. "Many people strive for success and are judged by various standards. If you can answer 'yes' to each of the following criteria for success, there is no doubt that you are successful in the broadest sense of the word:

1. Under all conditions of life have you been able to keep your health? Physical test.
 2. Do you save more than you spend? Economic test.
 3. Have you found your work in the world? Vocational test.
 4. Can you spend your leisure time pleasantly and profitably? A vocational test.
 5. Are you advancing in wisdom and knowledge? Intellectual test.
 6. Can you make friends easily and keep them? Social test.
 7. Are you trying to win success by the straight road of personal integrity and worthy service to mankind? Moral test.
- "Then, too, we may also spell success acrostically in the following way:
- S—step up the stairs; don't stare up the steps.
 U—se your talents to advantage.
 C—haracter is the first essential of success.
 C—hoose resources in preference

to means.
 E—arn more than you spend.
 S—uperiority in personality and in efficiency is the source of success.
 S—ervice to man is the measure of success."

THE COLLEGE ALARM CLOCK

There's something new in the college—have you heard about it? Why it's a real alarm clock! It's five feet eight inches in height. No, it is not a grandfather clock. The clock always goes off at the same time, namely 7:15 a. m.—no sooner, nor later. (That is if it has not been out late the night before.) It has a peculiar yet arousing tone for instead of ringing or buzzing it whistles.

Chowan realized the importance of this whistling clock when a sleep freshman met an eighty-three class without having powdered her face or combed her hair. On entering the classroom, she turned to Pat and said, "You didn't whistle this morning".

Even Pat himself had not fully realized the importance of his early morning whistle and had allowed himself to make up the sleep which he had missed the night before.

Bells have rung for years and clocks have alarmed until they can alarm no more, but only Pat can get the drowsy Chowan girls out of bed.

Many thanks to Pat Taylor, Chowan's human alarm clock!

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