

trying to determine whether the anticipated results will increase or decrease his status in the world in which he lives. The average high school graduate follows such a procedure when deciding whether or not he should continue his education by going to college. Those who decide to enter one of the numerous colleges scattered throughout the country have definite reasons for their decisions. The variety and vast differences in the reasons of these individuals could be easily revealed by asking among the students of St. Augustine's or any other college, the question, "Why did you come to college?" The answers to this enquiry would receive would be as numerous as the number of students asked. Some might say that they entered college to enjoy the pleasures of campus life and to gain the experience it afforded. This group was probab-

ly influenced greatly by the frivolous and glamorous college life portrayed in the movies and in fictitious college stories. Others came to college simply to acquire the prestige a B. S. or A. B. adds to a person. But, were the question put to most students of St. Augustine's they would reply that they had come to college to further develop their mental faculties and to pursue a chosen vocation which would prove valuable to them after graduation. This, I think, should be the main purpose of attending college. It would help the student to realize the value of his college career and urge him to do his best. One who completes four years in a college with this idea always prevalent in his mind, will discover that he is well armed to meet the difficulties which will face him in his later life.

—Francis Mayo

## What We Have To Offer

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Do we come with outstretched hands and an intellectual desire to receive more than we are willing to give, or, do we come to help build or strengthen the chain where it is weak? Allusions have often been made to the old proverb, "A chain is not stronger than its weakest link." Let us, as members of the Freshman Class, consider ourselves a link in this great chain of St. Augustine's. First, we should examine ourselves before we make such drastic criticisms about the Institution and see what we can do to smooth out some of the differences and difficulties.

Are we willing to abide by the rules which I term as being very liberal? If there were no rules there would be no system and no large

body is able to move along without system.

The United States calls its rules, laws, and when they are broken or abused by any person, that person is penalized not to make the individual better, in many instances, but to prevent some one else from making the same mistake. The same principles have similar effect in any school which is looking forward to progress and not retrogression.

We need to recall the words of the song found in the hymnal, *"Awake the purpose high Which strives, and, falling stands again—*

*Confirm the will of Eager Lives  
To quit ourselves like men—  
The life, the bond of fellowship,  
To love the law that rules."*