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TWO WORLDS

Everybody lives in two worlds. These worlds are very real and are distinct. Each of them has its environment, and each of them makes demands upon us who live in them. There is a world of things and a world of thought, and we must, whether we will or not, make provision for the needs of these two worlds or be poverty-stricken.

There are men and women who have given much attention to the world of things, and have gathered about them many of the comforts and luxuries of life, but who have left all unmet the needs of the other world in which they live. These men and women are poor indeed. It is bad to be poor in things, but it is worse to be poor in thought.

A college education pays financially, if we wish to place it on purely a dollar and cent basis which is the wrong basis. A college education aids in getting; but it is meant to aid in giving. It gives a fuller meaning to life, and makes living a better business. It enriches the world of thought, and that, after all, is the world with which men and women must reckon most.

There have been many measurements for greatness. Most of them fall into one of these three classes. There was a time when courage and prowess in war was the test of greatness, again, and that is all but true today, the amount of money amassed was the test, and the third is but coming into its own. The true test of greatness is not found in the fight, nor in the market place, but the true test is measured in the service rendered mankind. That test belongs to the world of thought, and that world is slowly coming to predominate in the lives of men and women today.

There are two worlds in which we live, a world of things, and a world of thought. During the next few days you are going to choose, as a high school graduate, which of these worlds you will make yours. You may be a business success without a college education, but you can't live the largest life possible for you, and you can't give the most to the world.

There are hewers of wood and drawers of water who are rich in the world of thought. They are big men, and they live. They are the men who give the world its worth-while things, and enrich the places in which they live. They sing the songs of the world, and all men echo them and are glad. Those thinkers play the music of the world and it rests. They write the books of the world and help others to live as they live, and see as they see the beautiful things of life. Their world is a boundless world, and there is no arid desert there.

The world of things is a small

world bound by walls. There is little beauty and no music. There are few books, and much luxury that isn't restful. The souls of those who live there are small like the world in which they live, and are branded with dollar marks.

The world of things is a small world, but the world of thought is infinite. The Christian college will open the gates of gladness to you; the gates to poetry, music, and beauty. The Christian college will make you fit for the gardens of God, and give you a place therein.

MANY NEW MEMBERS ARE ADDED TO FACULTY.

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year with promise of still larger growth for this session that she did not feel she could care for her teaching work and deanship at the same time. Dr. Helfenstein will also teach Public Speaking. Miss Savage accordingly becomes Dean of Women. She is a devout member of the Liberty Spring Christian Church and loves young people. She has had several years experience as dean of the Fort Loudon Seminary, Winchester, Va. She comes to Elon aflame with enthusiasm for her work and determined to meet every requirement. She is fully qualified to do so. Miss Savage was trained in Randolph-Macon and the University of Virginia.

Prof. Paul S. Kennett becomes professor of Social Science in addition to his regular former work in History.

Dr. N. G. Newman is to give a course in the History, Principles, and Polity of the Christian Church. All ministerial students will be required to take this course before graduation. Any others who desire may elect it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dollar become the managers of the Men's Co-operative Club.

LOSING OF STUDENTS IS PROBLEM OF COLLEGES

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pletion of a college course. Fully one-third of those who hold Elon diplomas have in one way or another contributed toward paying their own expenses. Colleges offer various means of self-help and also have loan funds for deserving students. To borrow money to meet expenses, later paying it back, is a most satisfactory way to earn one's way through college, because it enables one to have time for the campus activities and at the same time teaches the sterling virtue of rigid economy. Not how much earning power we have, but how we spend our earnings is the determining factor between financial success and failure in life.

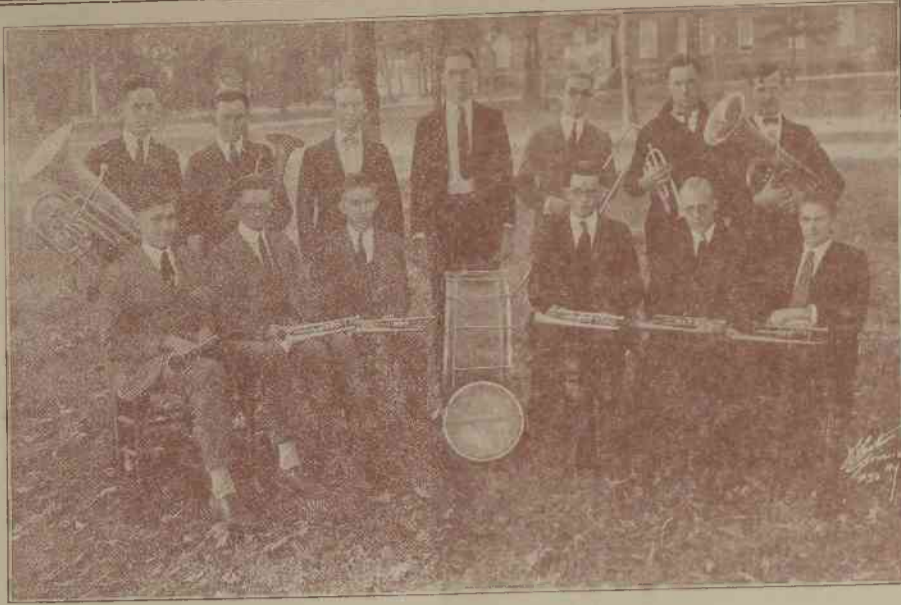
Too much money will oftener prevent a student from graduating than too little. The student whose parents out of misplaced affection supply him with too large an outlay of money becomes oftentimes flabby. Because money comes easy to him, he is likely to conclude that passing marks will also come easy. He fails to apply himself properly and is caught to his chagrin by the sixty per cent rule, which means that unless he passes at least sixty per cent of his work he is excluded from college. An allowance is the best plan for parents able to defray their son's or daughter's expenses, an allowance to which by mutual agreement the son or daughter will rigidly adjust expenditures. It is not the charges for room, board, fees, and tuition that make college education expensive, but the incidental items, which many a student cannot indulge, that undermine health and character and make graduation doubtful for most of the students in a modern college. These are matters which manifestly no college can control. There are few excuses here at Elon for the needless expenditure of money, but even here parents at times complain that they do

not mind the necessary expenses. What they cannot afford is the incidentals, the non-essentials. Firmness at this point on the part of parents will save many a son or daughter to a college degree. Indulgence will mean failure. The policy along this line should be determined in advance of entrance to college.

Some, too, are eliminated from college because of low mentality. Here again the number is small. Failure to apply one's self diligently rather than low mentality accounts for most failures to pass college courses. The plodding student with good habits of study is welcome to any college. Such a student oftentimes distinguishes himself and his Alma Mater during his work years. Witness Senator Vance in North Carolina.

Most of the two-thirds who drop out without graduation come to college from improper motives. They have observed that college graduates move in the best social circles, and they have social ambition. They have heard about the big athletic events of the college campus, and they want excitement. They have heard that college graduates supply the bulk of the nation's leadership, and they want to be leaders, the unwilling to pay the cost of leadership. Some few are morally unfit to remain on a college campus.

The world needs trained men and women of Christian character. College administrators and parents must cooperate with our youth that more of them may be enabled to complete the arduous task of college graduation. Human experience has found no discipline so able to knit character for the strain of leadership and service through leadership comparable to the four grilling years of the college curriculum. I trust that Elon's incoming Freshman Class may come with high purpose and noble consecration. The college can and will give itself unreservedly to the life interest of such promising leaders of human progress.



THE COLLEGE BAND.



THE COLLEGE ORCHESTRA.

NEW BUILDING PROGRAM IS GREAT FORWARD STEP

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six others now in use Elon will be one of the best equipped schools of the state to handle the enrollment, which is limited to 400 students.

After completion of the program now under construction, the following year a Religious Activities building is to be erected. The religious life and activities of the students demand such a building on the campus of any Christian college. This need has been anticipated by Elon and plans are now under way for the erection of such a building for next year.

Experience has shown that a small student body receives better attention, more personal instruction, and produces the best results. By limiting the enrollment to 400 students, whether he be Freshman or Senior, a student can get all, or practically all, of his course under the heads of departments. This is not true where the student bodies are larger. Where the professors can give personal attention and individual instruction to students the results are always found to be best.

In addition to the \$300,000.00 practically raised for buildings and equipment, a campaign for \$300,000.00 additional endowment is now under way, which will take care of the increased cost of operating expenses incurred by the building program. This will relieve the necessity of increasing the expenses, no increase of cost in any item of the college expenses having been made for the students this year.

DEATH CLAIMS DEVOTED SUPPORTER OF COLLEGE

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was his rule. I think he exemplified in his remarkably successful business career that the "golden rule" applied in business as in morals. The world needs more such men.

He recognized, too, the stewardship of money. He delighted to give. The last time I talked with him, a mutual friend was mentioned. Quickly he replied that he did not look on giving as this friend did. "I think I ought to give," he continued, "and I enjoy doing it." A princely giver has gone out from our midst, whose future would have meant larger things for the Kingdom of Christ. And so his taking away is all the more a mystery and a sorrow. Some day we shall understand.

But I like to think of J. D. Gray in his home, the gracious host, the loving companion, the devoted father: in his Church, the deacon always at his post of duty and the Sunday school teacher of a class of teen aged boys, every one of them heart broken over the death of their tried friend and trusted leader, in his trusteeship of our College, the wise counsellor and liberal supporter, man of few words, but weighty in his judgments, judicious, and sane.

Brother Gray was also a member of the Emergency Fund Committee and the last public meeting of any Church body he attended away from his home was the meeting of this committee in Suffolk in March. He left home sick in order to attend. Here as always, he listened attentively to the plans and made the motion to undertake the present building program, saying "we must go forward, not hesitate to go forward."

I knew that he was physically failing, but I was not prepared for his death. The telegram from his faithful companion announcing his passage into the future life wounded me to the heart. I could not realize his death till by her side in the stricken home I looked into the lifeless face that had so often greeted me with smiles. Then I knew my friend would be a memory and an inspiration only for the years to come.

Dr. H. Shelton Smith will have his headquarters at Defiance, Ohio, instead of at Elon as announced in this column. He will serve as Field Secretary of Organization and Administration under the Board of Christian Education of the American Christian Convention.