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### THE FUNCTION OF THE COLLEGE PAPER

It is a truism to say that the function of a college newspaper is to present the news of the college; yet some editors apparently discount this function. They think that accounts of campus happenings are old stuff because everybody knows all about them anyway. But everybody does not know all about them. There are many worthwhile things occurring in and about any college which are known to only a small part of the faculty and student body.

The folks back home also enjoy reading the college news because of their interest in the institution in which John or Mary is a student. Hence any mention of honors won by, or marked accomplishment of, the individual student is well worth a place in the college paper.

But aside from the present value of such news, it also serves as the most accurate and satisfactory history of the college life and activities.

Another function of the college paper is to keep the alumni informed of the various activities of the college. What article so interesting to an alumnus as a snappy write-up of a football victory won by his alma mater. If a column is devoted to the history and the present activities of the alumni the college paper becomes doubly valuable to them.

Through the editing and managing of our college papers the students responsible for such duties receive a training in newspaper work and business management that is often of greater value to them than any course, or perhaps all the courses, pursued in the academic field. Hence one function of the college paper is to furnish such opportunities to some of its students.

The columns of the college paper offer to the would-be poet, or story writer, an opportunity for public expression that he otherwise would not have. This is certainly a worth-while function, and one that should receive more attention from the management of our college papers.

Summarizing, these are some of the chief functions of the college paper: to present and preserve the accounts of the various college activities; to keep the alumni in touch and in tune with their alma mater; to provide training in business management and news editing for the members of the staff; to give publicity to the productions of literary-minded students; and to keep the homes in touch with the institution and informed as to its activities.

There are, doubtless, other worth-while functions of the college paper, but if it fulfills those enumerated, it will have achieved a large measure of success.

### Open Forum

#### AN ANSWER TO "WANTED—MORE SOCIALIZING"

Some weeks ago the article to which I am striving to answer appeared in the Maroon and Gold. As I am a girl and—if I may say—a typical college girl, I feel that I have the right to give to the members of the faculty, students and friends of this college the girl's point of view upon this subject. When I said typical college girl, I did not mean an old maid, but an eighteen year old girl with fair complexion, blue eyes and blonde hair.

I happen to know the author of the article to which I reply. He seems to have the idea that the girls are solely responsible for Cupid's making his exit. But he is wrong. We lament the fact that "Cupid has gone and left us; but what can we do about it? It is not our place to ask for dates! It's bad enough to have Cupid leave us, and it is still worse to be blamed for his leaving.

I would also like to ask this young gentleman if he did not go home Thanksgiving to see that sweetheart of his back there? Statistics show that ninety per cent of boys who have girls

when they enter college leave them very soon as one of Cupid's forsaken and down-trodden little angels. He evidently is one of those ten per cent who have not parted with his sweetheart at home after coming to college.

I ask my opposing author why he should write such an article, when he has not had a date here at college this past three months. And still he persists in saying that it is all the blame of the girls. I say that the fault is not ours. He blamed it partly on the election, but we say that it is the boys.

On a Sunday afternoon we sit in our rooms and wait with a vague hope that some fair lad will ask for us. How our hearts flutter when we hear the door bell ring during social hour!

I ask him what he is doing to bring back those old days to which he referred? Does he think that staying up in his room and pondering over books during social hour will help to bring them back?

We pledge this young man that if he will only meet us half way in the race for Cupid's arrows we will do our part. "Blondie."

Jerik Marsen, of St. Paul, was given a suspended sentence for theft when the court learned he had 20 children.

## X-Ray Sermon

Since it is the preacher's business to stir up thinking, our sermon this week is a series of questions:

1. What is the difference in the way men and animals control their behavior?
2. Do you believe that your spirit is immortal? Why? What difference does it make in the way you should live now?
3. In how many ways can you learn about God?
4. What does your religion mean to you? What does it mean to the person who rooms with you or lives next door?
5. When will you be a useful Christian—in the future or now? Is there any such a thing as a useless Christian?
6. If the American Government should fight an unjust war, would it be our duty as Christian citizens to support our nation in the conflict?
7. Do you believe that if a man is a Christian it makes no difference to what race he belongs?
8. Was it right for Christ to be angry and drive the money-changers from the Temple? Why?
9. How much of what you get from a church service depends upon yourself?
10. What definite work are you doing to prepare yourself for greater service?

A trapper in British Columbia, who amputated four of his toes with a kitchen knife when they became frozen last winter, arrived in Prince George for professional surgical attention recently but was told that he had done the job so well no further treatment was needed.



We are about to get over the spirits of Thanksgiving and are getting back to our studies which have been sadly neglected since the day before the Lenoir-Rhyne tricksters were trampled under the sod. We understand that Lenoir-Rhyne were giving thanks last Thursday that there was but one "Pete" Williams to contend with. We observed that they were a clean bunch of sports. They are truly welcome on our campus again.

Dean—"Capt." Hardy, where are you going every afternoon now, since football season is over?

Capt. Hardy—Astray, I'm afraid.

This "Hawkeye" Dan Long Newman flopped down on his last flock last year in basketball. He made the baskets last year, and how? With crooked handles. And where? Over his consistent left shoulder. He'll be very much missing from the team, and campus too, I suspect.

Dean—Can you prove that the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides of this particular triangle?

John—Er—er—er L don't have to prove it, Dean. I admit it.

Are you Hungary? Yes Siam. Well, Russh-a-long, and I'll Fiji.

Pitto Vickers—Miss Craig, how do you make this whipped cream you serve us? It's so delicious. And for why is butter milk buttered, and just how come chocolate milk is black?

Miss Craig, Our Dietitian—Well, it's this way: The dairyman that serves us tells me that he beats the cows from the pasture to the barn and milks "Whipped Cream." Lopses them for ten minutes before milking, "Butter Milk." One-half of his herd is black and the other half white—"Chocolate Milk."

Smitty has laid away his booties and is looking for a suitable pair of shoes for basket making. "Watch him." We believe he has it.

One can hardly put his nose into a family row without putting his foot in it also.

#### Mathematics of Love

Therom—If Cameron loves Virginia then Virginia loves Cameron.  
Given—Cameron loves Virginia,  
To prove—Virginia loves Cameron.  
Proof—Cameron loves Virginia;  
"Given."  
Cameron is a lover.  
"Virginia is all the world to Cameron."  
Axiom of Evidence: All the world loves a lover. "Shakespeare."  
Therefore—Virginia loves Cameron.  
O. E. D.

Dr. C. E. Goddard, of Harrow, Eng., in his annual report as health officer, warned men and women not to smoke more than 10 cigarettes a day.

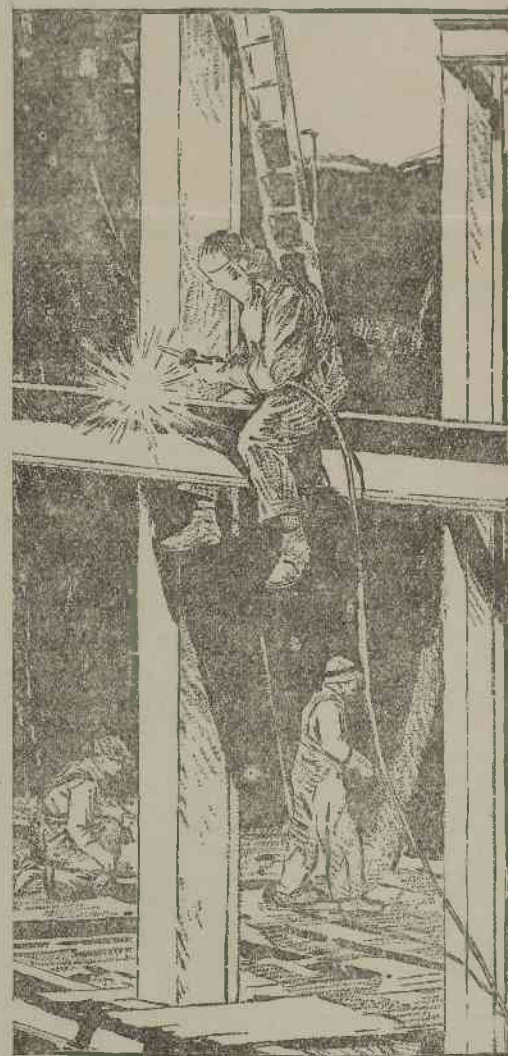
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