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Shall the Twain Meet

In the portals of our North Dormitory there is much lamentation, wailing, moaning, gnashing of teeth, etcetera. It is all because of the passing of the East Dormitory, the "bowery" of Elon College of former days. 'Tis only a fond memory now. Its rooms are empty and bare. The once cheery walls gaze at you with a cold and stony stare. Its life is no more. Its doors are now closed. The glorious East side is but a remnant of its former (?) splendor. There is nothing but sorrow in the hearts of the inhabitants who have been driven from their beloved home, and made to seek shelter in the vast and frozen "North."

As the "Easterners" from "little Chicago" move "Northward" there is bound to ensue a great struggle, for the inhabitants of the "North" will resent the coming of onpushing immigrants. They wish not to be crowded into close quarters or be forced from their ancient boundaries. They are incensed by the arrival of this new menace to their freedom to roam their heretofore spacious, unsettled haunts unmolested. They contend that "Never the Twain shall meet."

What is to be the outcome? Will the races be merged into one, or will these two races live side by side and retain their own customs, habits, and languages? Will one or the other eventually be ousted and forced to migrate elsewhere? Is it to be a survival of the fittest, or can these two clans live peacefully side by side? You guess; I'm tired.

You see Shakespeare and I can both write "Much Ado About Nothing."

October

What beauty there is to behold when summer takes her last gasp in field and wood, and old man winter is beginning to stir from his deep slumber in his frosty trundle bed in regions arctic. He comes to match his strength against Sol's strong rays. Jack Frost believes the tyrant sun has held sway o'er our dominion long enough, and he comes now to dethrone the six month's usurper of his power and throne. With forces strengthened he returns to reign again.

There is something in October which stirs deep inside of us as we behold the beauty of Nature about us. October, that delightful month when winter and summer come together in open combat, is here, and all Nature adorns herself in her gayest colors to watch the fight between two great powers. Summer puts up a beautiful stand, but that old adage "Survival of the fittest" crops up here and Winter takes the throne. Too fierce his fury is, too courageous is his stand for summer long to hold him in check. Too long has he been waiting, hopefully, to be held back longer. The throne must be his; out! imposter; out!

The trees stand stoutly against Jack Frost's wintry blast, and he chastises these disobedient children by whipping from them their red, their yellow, their orange clothing. These leafy garments he sends helter-skelter o'er the earth to rest in scattered piles or leafy crazy-quilts to cover the earth with their assorted colors.

On hill and dale he blows his breath, until over all a blanket of frosty mist is laid. The air takes on a keener snap. Finally, summer gasps her last and lies down for a long, long rest, leaving behind only slight hints here and there in Nature's bowers of its once glorious regime.

Vision in Achieving Goals

One of the most outstanding historical events of this month has passed almost unnoticed. Just some four hundred years ago, Columbus discovered America, on the morning of October twelfth. In these days there are no more worlds to be discovered. Yet each one of us may find in Columbus qualities which we may imitate. Though he was ridiculed by the foolish, betrayed by cupidity, and deluded by false promises, he pushed on. He had the courage and moral stamina to continue to seek his goal, trying to prove that the

earth was a globe. In spite of all obstacles he was determined to complete what he had set out to do. He had a vision and had the faith to try to realize that vision. One wonders if today we do not need more of Columbus' spirit. We give up our visions much too readily today because they seem too distant or too difficult to realize. During our college career we shall have a chance to test our faith in our ideals and to show that we can adhere to our visions. Shall we not, knowing that we are right, believing always in our power say as Columbus did "Sail on, and on, and on!"?

CO-ED EDITOR.

WILBUR ANNOUNCES OPENING OF ELEVENTH NATION-WIDE BETTER HOMES CAMPAIGN

Washington, D. C.—Under conditions of neglect homes may develop a generation puny in physique, weak in moral stamina, and low in ideals. This, according to Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, Secretary of the Interior, is the compelling force which should enlist the active interest of every American citizen in a move to provide the best possible environment for the growing child.

Dr. Wilbur, who succeeded President Hoover as president of Better Homes in America, gave expression to this opinion in the foreword to the Guidebook, issued by that organization in preparation for the eleventh nationwide Better Homes campaign. The launching of this campaign, coming almost simultaneously with the calling of the President's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership, is expected to arouse more widespread interest on the part of homemakers than ever before. During the past year, more than eight thousand communities availed themselves of the information and help offered by this organization, whose headquarters are in Washington, D. C., under the direction of Dr. James Ford. The programs which are being organized at this time will have their culmination in the observance of Better Homes Week, April 24 to May 1, 1932.

Dr. Wilbur's statement follows:

"Preeminent among the forces that make for an enduring and progressive civilization is the Home. It is the first mold of physique and of character. It is the nursery of our culture, aspirations and ideals. No nation can afford to be neglectful of its influence. "Under conditions of ignorance or neglect there may develop a generation puny in physique, weak in moral stamina, low in ideals. The neglected rural homes may be sources of danger, the slums of our cities are a menace. "All children should be granted the right to grow up in houses that are

safe, sanitary, private and free from ugliness and needless discomfort. Even more, they require daily contacts in their homes with high moral attitudes, wise judgment, firmness of purpose and wholesome unselfish aims.

"We have houses in order that we may have homes. Good houses make it easier to maintain good homes. Thoughtful citizens have therefore organized throughout the nation to arouse local interest in home improvement. Over eight thousand such local committees were active last spring under the guidance of Better Homes in America, in arranging for local home improvement contests, demonstrations, exhibits, lectures and tours. Through their efforts hundreds of thousands of families were helped to take the next steps in the betterment of their own homes or premises.

"In a period like this where some communities are suffering from economic depression and from unemployment, Better Homes committees can be of great public service, also through co-operating with local agencies in employment relief by discovering and encouraging opportunities for the employment of men and women in the care and repair of homes. Such a program has the three-fold merit of providing employment, of enhancing property and community values and of increasing the number of well-equipped, sanitary, convenient and attractive homes in the community. Special suggestions can be sent for this phase of the Better Homes campaign to all committees that are interested.

"New stimulus will come to Better Homes committees during this year from the President's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership to be held in November, 1931. Thirty-one committees of our Nation's leading citizens are at work at the time of this writing in assembling the best experience and wisdom of leading citizens and specialists on such subjects as the design of homes, home construction, financing of homes, household management, homemaking, landscape planning and village housing, home information centers, home furnishing and

decoration, and standards and objectives. Better Homes committees will be given access to their findings which they can bring to the attention of local citizens and arrange to carry out within their own communities.

"Life offers no greater command or privilege than that of giving the new generation a chance to be more productive and better citizens than their parents have been. This privilege belongs primarily to the local Better Homes committees and to all cooperating individuals and groups such as women's clubs, parent-teacher associations, home bureaus and scores of others. Here is an opportunity which will command the attention of thoughtful parents and far-seeing citizens."

THOUGHTS—INSANE AND SANE

Did you every stop to think that: 99 out of 100 "wanna" be kissed. 99 out of 100 "wanna" do it again. 99% of the world is bluff, and the other 1% is ——— bluff.

It's a lone Jane that has no yearning. It might be you who'll flunk.

The above thought is a (?) pleasant one.

How many real friends YOU have. The pot can't call the kettle black.

"That large streams from little fountains flow, tall oaks from little acorns grow."

It's what you do, not what you say that counts.

That I'm as tired as you are of this nonsense.

Jabber.

Remember Ben Franklin's advice: "Early to bed and early to rise, and your girl goes out with other guys."

This world goes 'round and 'round; when one goes up another goes down.

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