

LETTERS TO GUILFORDIAN.

(Nothing under this head is necessarily endorsed by the Board or any member of it.)

On last Friday afternoon there was staged in Greensboro as pretty and spectacular an exhibition of football as could be seen anywhere. The Guilford team, which has been holding all its opponents this season to small scores, met the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, considered the best team in that state. The weather was ideal football weather. There was every reason to believe that Greensboro would take full advantage of her first opportunity this year to see a college football game. To the surprise of the management, the number of paid admissions, in addition to those of the student body and a dozen or so high school students, could be counted on the fingers usually allotted to only one person. Fortunately the student body loyally supported the team and the girls especially are to be congratulated on sending to Greensboro a larger delegation than has been sent for years to any game in that place. But it costs more to play football than any other game and home games can't be scheduled unless more support can be counted on than can be given even by the most loyal student body. We have almost given up hope that Greensboro will ever feel the same interest and pride in Guilford College that any town would naturally be expected to take in its own home institution. We do not know the reason for Greensboro's indifference but perhaps one could be found. There does not however seem to be any good reason why the alumni should be conspicuous at a football game principally by their absence. Had there been present an enthusiastic group of old Guilford men the effect would have been inspiring not only to the team but to the student body as well. To an alumnus the only price of loyalty in this case is the privilege of seeing a good football game.

To any team the "Guilford" for which it stands should mean not only the student body of the present but those traditions and ideals of the past such as can only find embodiment in an active and interested group of old students. How else could those traditions be maintained? The least that any alumnus can do is to lend his presence. Why talk of the good old days when you do not do anything to bring them back?

Never in the history of Guilford College either in athletics or other matters has the college stood more in need of the sacrifice and devotion of the alumni and old students than at present. The college is passing through critical times, and indifference on the part of the Alumni may so affect the course of events that pride in being a Guilfordian is no longer possible. But let us get back to athletics and make a suggestion. It costs five dollars to join the Guilford College Athletic Association. This fee is paid by every student however impecunious. Every loyal Guilford alumnus or alumna should join, pay the fee, and be happy in the thought that, not only is free admission aided on every game on the home grounds but that a hard pressed and deserving Athletic Association has been given much needed material

assistance. Only by every Guilfordian of every age putting his shoulder to the wheel can Guilford ever hope to cope successfully with her larger and wealthier rivals.

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. and Mrs. Guerny Briggs and J. Guerny Briggs, Jr., were callers at the college last Sunday.

We regret to note that Walter Short has been compelled to leave school temporarily in order that an operation might be performed on one of his eyes.

Misses Groome and Worsham, of G. C. W. (Greensboro) were weekend visitors of Vivian Hayworth.

The 11 o'clock service last Sunday morning was somewhat out of the ordinary, Pastor Williams announcing in the Sunday preceding that this hour would be given over to a special service for old people. This idea was appropriately carried out in the decorations which consisted of autumn leaves, vines and flowers.

MISS EDWARDS TALKS TO Y. W. C. A. ON WOMEN'S WORK IN THE WAR.

Miss Edwards opened prayer meeting on Thursday evening by reading the 13th chapter of I Cor. "It isn't that we want to feel the suffering of the world any more than we have to," said Miss Edwards, "but it does seem that we are getting careless while others are making such great sacrifices. The war is so far away it seems like a dream and we feel that here are others who can take the responsibility. We may never feel the hardships of the European women, but this doesn't give us license to feel free. We hear much about the capability of the European women, but they can't last long doing double duty; they will naturally break down, and we must assist them.

"One of the biggest things we can do in this war, is to assist in the food conservation. The time has been when people could feel if a thing was theirs they could use it, but that time is past; we must care for others. Secretary Hoover says that 80 per cent. of the money which goes into food can be controlled by the women. We have no right to waste anything and we must cultivate that feeling. Then another thing, we can assist the Red Cross by giving our time and money. Everything is now being conserved and we can help in numbers of small ways. In New York there is a warehouse where they do nothing but gather waste paper. Children are paid two cents a pound to bring this paper in.

We can if we do nothing else get the right spirit for our own selves by feeling that the sacrifice for others is worth while; we can cultivate a spirit of sacrifice and devotion to a cause. Treat changes have come over the women of our land in the last few years and still more will come.

"Last of all," said Miss Edwards, "we must cultivate a prayerful spirit and attitude and in this way we may lend untold assistance."

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