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It's a mighty strong habit with certain people to kick when everything doesn't go to suit them. Funny, isn't it, that these same persons are the ones who usually express no opinion in meetings of class or organization?

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We're wondering if everyone knows for what purpose trash containers are placed at intervals over the campus.

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Courtesy isn't dead. It's merely dormant at times and needs a bit of a jolt.

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The "do unto others" rule is quite a good one to live by. Why not apply it in class, when you have an almost overwhelming desire to create some sort of disturbance.

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Oftentimes, a person loses something of value by not attending to the things that are occurring around him.

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Good ventilation is as important in the class room as elsewhere. Stale, musty air may cause a recitation equally stale.

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EDITORIAL

Let's start a History Club, we say, for current information on world affairs and all things that concern our own great nation. What matter if we shirk our bit? Somebody will look after it.

We need some money—need it bad—the usual situation. Let's have a play and put some cash and checks in circulation. If we have other things to do, somebody else will put it through.

I know it is not up-to-date to point a moral plainly. But I can see no other way to meet the issue sanely. And here's how things are looking now. There'll have to be a change—but how?

Should any scribbled word of mine offend you aught, forget it. But if it makes you think a bit, why just read on, and let it remind you that no one can shirk when something calls for A-class work.

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The week from the 17th to the 25th is to be observed throughout the United States as Thrift Week. Thrift in money, thrift in time, thrift in everything of value is the subject to be discussed and worked out.

As usual, Salem is expecting to take her share in the campaign which is to be waged, a campaign which is felt to be of particular value to Salem; by participating in it she will be not only contributing but receiving. Economy in finances has been practiced to a remarkable degree, as was evidenced in the success of the Student Friendship Fund, the contributions to which were made by personal sacrifice—that was an example of the gains which might be sent abroad by means of our economy; now comes the opportunity of exhibiting the selfish values derived from the same practice.

Americans have always been accused of extravagance, and Salem is no exception. Now that examinations are drawing near, thrift in time demands special attention. If in the remaining two weeks every hour is carefully planned, if working schedules are followed, the conditions of the usual chaotic examination week will become at least partly organized.

In addition, there are not only ourselves to consider but there are those around us. College life is of necessity a small but concentrated social community; whatever one member does is felt by all around her. The extravagance of one person always either directly or indirectly appeals her neighbors.

Thrift is a habit, whether it be of concrete or of abstract matters—a habit not hard to attain but nevertheless a valuable one. Students are, therefore, not only asked but urged to do all in their power to make the campaign of this week a success and to establish the thrift habit as a lasting one.

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Books are but paper, board, and ink
And often we abuse them
But—think of the confusion, when
By accident we lose them.
Our text books are a precious lot
And do you think it quite fair
When we refuse to search our shelves
For lost books that might be there.

EXCHANGES

20,020 MILES HIKE THIS FALL

N. C. College is hiking towards a monogram, or at least as near to one, as hiking is able to get a person. From the opening of the college in September until December first, there have been 20,020 miles hiked, and 609 girls have done it. Rhula Dowd, who has led in number of miles hiked throughout the year is ahead with 317 miles to her credit.

—Exchange.

"May I print a kiss on your lips," I said,
And she nodded her sweet permission.

So we went to press, and I rather guess

We printed a full edition.
"One edition is hardly enough,"

She said with a charming pout.
So again on the press the form was

placed,
And we got some "extras" out.

—Exchange.

The closing session of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association was held in the Meredith Auditorium, Friday evening, December 7th. The thoroughly delightful and instructive program centered around Walter Hines Page, whose splendid Laszlo portrait was presented to the State. The presentation was made by Dr. Frederick M. Hanes of Winston-Salem, N. C. Governor Cameron Morrison, on behalf of the people of the State, made the speech of acceptance in which he paid high tribute to Page as one of North Carolina's most praiseworthy sons.

—Exchange.

The Davidson College Glee Club blazed a broad trail through Dixieland on their fall concert tour. The trip consisted of a tour through North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

The six performances were given—at Spartanburg, S. C., under the auspices of the High School, Anderson College, Anderson, C. C., Brenau College, Gainesville, Ga., Shorter College, Raine, Ga., Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Ga., after which a radio concert was given at WSB auditorium, the Atlanta Building, Atlanta.

The Glee Club was enthusiastically received at every hand. In Atlanta the Davidson Alumni Association gave an elaborate luncheon at the Hotel Ausley in honor of the visiting musicians.

"Twenty-four college boys from North Carolina came to Atlanta Saturday and sang their way into the hearts of Atlanta music lovers," the Atlanta Journal stated Sunday morning, following the Agnes Scott performance, which was "given for the benefit of thousands of unseen listeners."

Gastonia, N. C., was the last stop made on the itinerary. The performance there terminated the most successful tour ever made by a Davidson Glee Club.

—Exchange

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History teacher (to an Academy girl)—Miss Bowden what is papal government?

Martha Bowden—Oh, it's government written on paper.

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Mr. Taylor—Misfortune never comes singly.

Eloise Willis—That certainly is true, two chemistry quizzes.

When it is one minute after 8 o'clock, it is past 8. When it is 30 minutes after 8 it is only half-past

MR. RIGHTS SPEAKS AT Y. W. C. A. MEETING

At Y. W. C. A. Friday night, Mr. Rights made an interesting address using as his subject the proverb: "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." He spoke of all the names given to us: the surname that tells only parentage, the nickname that gives a clue to personality, and the name that discloses reputation. Mr. Rights told of the inestimable value of this last name, so difficult to change and well nigh impossible to escape. He related the story of an American who went to an obscure Italian village. Upon his arrival his name was recognized and he was branded with his bad record made in college years before in the United States. It is fortunate that the punishment of a bad name is no greater or more lasting than the reward of a good one.

This address by Mr. Rights was one which inspired thought and serious consideration among Salem students and they feel greatly indebted to him for his interesting presentation of important facts.

The musical program was an especially beautiful one. The violin solo by Laura Howell was particularly appropriate, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the entire audience. The meeting closed with the Y. W. motto.

SALEM COLLEGE TO OBSERVE THRIFT WEEK DURING JANUARY

On next Wednesday, January the sixteenth, National Thrift Week will be introduced in College Chapel services by an invited speaker.

National Thrift Week is an economic movement, based on the principle that Thrift is a fundamental of Success, Prosperity and Happiness. It is fostered by the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., and endorsed by forty-seven of the leading industrial, religious and educational organizations of the country.

Washington, D. C., is a Thrift center, and this week is observed everywhere under the American flag. Plans for 1924 will include the entire Hawaiian Islands in the observation. In New York, a plan for the visitation of banks by school children, is a predominant feature. In nineteen twenty-three, the banks provided for the entertainment of two hundred thousand children. In Madison, Wisconsin, one thousand bank accounts were started in one bank alone as a result of Thrift Week. Bankers in Fresno, California, became so interested that they offered a small bonus to every child, in the city, who started a bank account.

The observance in Salem College will extend from January the seventeenth, Benjamin Franklin's birthday, to January the twenty-third. The movement will be under the direction of the President's Forum of Salem College.

RT. REV. RONDTHALER WILL ADDRESS SALEM ALUMNÆ

The Right Reverend Edward Rondthaler, head of the Moravian church at Winston-Salem, N. C., will address the alumnae of Salem College Saturday afternoon, January 12, at 3:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Benjamin F. Parker, 65 East Third street, Atlanta, Ga.

Reverend Rondthaler is one of the most distinguished men in the United States, and has a wide circle of devoted friends in Atlanta. During his visit in the city he will be at the Georgian Terrace.—Constitution.

What the Davidson professors would hear if the boys would be perfectly candid with them:

Never mind thanking me, old top, I just did it so you would pass me.

See hear, Prof., I'm just riding your course for a crip, and you're supposed to pass me anyway.

Frankly, old man, I'm not prepared. I went to a dance in Charlotte last night.

No, Doctor, I'm not sick—sleepy—our bridge game broke up pretty late, you know.

Don't have any notes on that lesson, old squirt, I was asleep that day.

—Exchange.

As an alternative for hazing, Sophomore Day was inaugurated at Davidson, with the hope that this will prove an annual affair on the campus. Paint fights, shirt fights, wheelbarrow races, parades, and general foolishness made up a day which can never be forgotten by the present freshmen class. Such ridiculous stunts were pulled that one lady remarked that she knew that college men drank but she didn't know they carried it to such an extreme!

—Exchange.

"It's a poor rule that won't work both way," as the boy said when he threw back the one that had been hurled at him by his teacher.

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"This is what you might call a painful silence," said the talkative woman as the dentist got ready to operate on her.



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