

STUDENT OPINION

Meredith College is a Christian institution. All will agree to that statement. As a Christian institution, does it give its religious services the proper consideration? Each religious service has a definite time to meet, but it is broken into by class meetings, club meetings, outside interferences, or at the convenience of any person who wishes to call meetings at those times.

If we are to put God first in our lives, we must put the things of God first. No meeting should be more important than those of the Y. W. C. A., Y. W. A., or the B. Y. P. U. It is through these organizations and their meetings that we get the inspirations which keep us in touch with God and the work that His people are doing in this world.

If we are going to have a Christian institution here, we must back up the Christian organization in this institution. It is through these that we are able to do our greatest work for Him.

"What is made of Ivory?"
Dr. Winston asked with hope.
But her heart filled with sorrow
When M. Allison answered, "Soap."

Newish Strickland (passing by First Baptist Church, colored): "Is that where Dr. O'Kelley preaches?"

During the war one-fourth of the American soldiers could not write letters home nor read newspapers.—Ex.

He: "You're a singular girl Mary."
She (hopefully): "That's easily altered."—Ex.

Good humor may be said to be one of the very best articles of dress one can wear in society.—*Thackeray*.

A. B. Abbot (passing capitol and pointing to statue in front): "Is that the man that built this hospital?"

California's motor registration figures show a machine for every four and a half persons.—Ex.

In everything there's a right way, a wrong way and a way that will do— which do you choose?

Wanted: To know if the Sophomore mascot is a snail.

Nothing is so strong as gentleness,
Nothing is so gentle as real strength.

NEW MEMBERS FOR I. R. CLUB.

At the call of the president the International Relations Club met Monday night for a short business session. The most important business was the selection of the necessary number of eligible girls, who had signified their desire to become members, to constitute the membership of the club. After the necessary discussion fifteen girls— eight Seniors and seven Juniors were voted in. These girls have received their bids and are expected to be present at the next meeting as regular members.

WHAT'S THE USE

A member of the faculty, traveling abroad this summer, came upon a strange custom in the small State of Niemur, lying between the boundaries of Czechomania and Jugomania. This little republic is considered highly advanced and is remarkably similar to the United States on a small scale except in the case of this one particular custom which has been followed from time immemorial. When a young man marries he must become a plumber. Whatever his calling has been, or however successful he may have been, whether or not he knows anything about plumbing, whether or not he cares for it as a life work, he is expected to give up the former and enter the new calling. Of course, if he marries quite young and knows nothing much about any kind of work, he is just as willing to do this as anything else. Or, if he feels perfectly certain at the outset that he will soon marry, he prepares himself for the life and work of a plumber. And, of course, there are some who prefer this work to any other and are perfectly contented.

But the great majority of young men decide while in school what calling they desire to follow and prepare themselves for it, giving no heed, as is the manner of youth, to the possibility of marrying. Each would probably assure you that he, for one, was not going to marry. So they spend years of study, preparing for the professions of lawyers, doctors, actors, engineers, aviators, and what not, and, after launching out, spend several more years climbing to the top; and then, as likely as not, just as they are beginning to reap the fruits of their faithful labor, and with no intention on their part, they find themselves in love. The heart-call wins. Though it may be with regret, even with a feeling of resignation, there is nothing to do but withdraw from the field where they served so well with the prize just within reach, leave it all to enter the new state of matrimony and plumbing. Why? "It is the custom." This answer bars argument or reasoning. So they enter the field of plumbing unprepared and many turn out to be failures or at least very mediocre. Others, however, are good sports, and though, perhaps, with a sigh, start at the bottom and learn the business thoroughly. It is often easy to guess that a young man is planning to get married for he is found studying plumbing at night.

To be sure, there arises, once in a while, a man who refuses to bow down to custom and insists on remaining at

his chosen work, perhaps giving the reason that he likes it better and can make more money at it. But he is always the object of criticism, and not infrequently his wife is the one most bitterly opposed to his breaking away from conventions. "I want a real husband," she says.

This custom, however, permits that if the wife should die he may return to his original work; also that, after he has reared a family, he may, if he so desires, begin where he left off and continue in his chosen profession, if, perchance, he is able to compete with those who have not taken "time out" for twenty or thirty years. One wonders how it started and where it will end.

Gentle reader, do you "get me?" There is no such country in all the world where customs ever treated men in this fashion. But there is a realm where women are thus dealt with, and that realm is the whole world.—*Florida Flambeau*.

Misses Susie Herring, Bernice Hamrick, Grace Moore, Beatrice Martin, and Helen Thompson were at Fuquay Springs for the week-end.

Misses Gladys Currin, Iowna Daniels, Lillian Evans, and Mary Bowers spent the week-end at Henderson.

Miss Margaret Cone Tucker was at her home in Greenville for the week-end.

Over 200 foreign men students are registered at the University of Illinois this fall.—Ex.

A Californian has papered a room with 105,000 stamps from 35 nations.

The lazy man aims at nothing and generally hits it.—James Ellis.

Each new discovery only shows us a wider circle of our surrounding ignorance.—Ex.

Newish Tolar (in a store): I want to see some mirrors.

Clerk: Hand mirrors?

N. Tolar: No, I want one to see my face in.

It seems his uncle fell out of a window? Any bones broken?

No.

No?

He was merely drowned. It happened in Venice.

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E. Purnell: My father was engaged to my mother four years.

Effie Sawyer (absent minded): Did he ever marry her?

Radio age tells of radio starting a railway locomotive hauling a train of 32 cars at East Pittsburgh. The solution to this is that the radio wave served to only release the energy that propelled the train.—Ex.

Schuman Heink says she will quit the stage in four years. She will be sixty-five then.

Dictionaries are queer things. Imagine the poor husband whose wife is a model, looking in the dictionary and finding a model, a small imitation of the real thing.

Keep your face with sunlight lit—
Laugh a little bit,
Gloomy shadows oft will flit,
If you have the wit and grit,
Just to laugh a little bit.

—Exchange.

WANTED—To know why girls with bobbed hair wear hair nets?—Ex.

"Life is not so short but that there is always time enough for courtesy."—Emerson.

She: "Isn't it strange that a man's arm is equal to the circumference of a girl's waist?"

He: "Let's get a string and see."—Ex.