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EDITORIAL COMMENT A DESERVED TRIBUTE

In a recent edition of The Charlotte Observer there appeared an account of a gift which was bequeathed to our beloved President by the late Mrs. Johnson C. Smith, our benefactress. In her will she provided the sum of \$5,000 as a personal token to our college head.

The relative value is of no particular interest to the community, but the reason behind such a thoughtful donation cannot but hold particular interest to all sane thinking individ-

When account is taken of the private and public life of our leader, there springs forth a ray of light which all students should take as their guiding star.

handle the bulk of affairs for this fate is in the hands of the students, grand old institution for nearly a whether it shall fail or succeed, and quarter of a century. The history of the school reveals times when this tude which characterizes an interstruggling plant could hardly make ested and support-lending student pression from college scenes ir mo-ends meet. There were times when body displays itself. its life was almost snuffed out. The Support of the masses gives zeal weeklies that this is a veritable opy

The University Student by the chosen few who have the rare privilege of entering into discussions on relative fields with men Published Monthly by the Students of who are rich in experience and who Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. are anxious to share their spare hours in enriching the minds of the magazines. Strictly speaking the their studies and yet within the that professionalism

> Another forward step has been made by Smithsonians. The outlook having certain common pursuits or is unusually bright. The results duties. But now it has come to be should be far reaching, and, no accepted as describing a type of doubt, other groups will spring up young men who wears slouch which will go far in making of this student body a well rounded and his socks to roll down to his ankles, well balanced unit.

> There is no doubt that the discussions, aside from exciting interest, are going to serve another purpose having the longest goatee. Such a by instituting better lines of attack in the process of absorbing subject mentia praecox' instead of a college

It will do the rest of the students well to trim their lamps as the members of the science club are likely to life appears attractive to those who call for inter-discussions of other do not have to live it. It has strik-22, 1926, at the post office at Charlotte, fields. The only way to enter into ing resemblance full of wonders, adan intelligent confab lies in the ele- ventures, and seemingly there is mentary unit organization. How never anything decrying and comabout it, art seekers?

School spirit occupies no mean place among the factors that go in to make a school prominent, progressive, and of high standing. Though this spirit should be on the part of every one connected with the school, the backbone, which is the students, should manifest the bulk of it. It is up to them not to let it lag; rather it should be the constant and full time agent of their hearts.

This spirit should be exhibited in every way. It should show itself on the athletic field, when a fellow student appeals to the students at large for aid in some plan or program, and n every uplifting project put before them by a thinking few. It is on the shoulders of this spirit that the school stands pre-eminent. Anything that the school as a whole may undertake, no matter how large or Dr. Henry L. McCrorey has had to small, important or insignificant, its

financial struggle was heart rending. and inspiration to the leaders; it of a college student. We are However, during all these tribula- lightens their load, quickens their ously afraid of public opinion tions there stood a quiet, recessive step, gladdens their hearts and they fear of exaggeration, b

FACTS AND FANCES

to abuse in many college papers and gree of excellency in the pursuit of without relinquishing The word "Collegiate" has come term applies to the nature of a college or an organized body of men make a "Fluke." decorates his slicker with na: les and queer drawings, void of a hecktie and generally ---- who beasts of character almost represents a "de-

Things are not always what they seem, (with apologies.) The simple

On the campuses are mixers" who never give shoulder. They give adviceduring a sophomore and freshman fracas. They rub elbows and bump heads

ation. For future interests, w will say, "what next."

leaving the matter to re

es bi beoble was made crowthe is "collegiate." There no becoming form in the customer

lous and surprising.

Our elders in time past hat cherished it as an immediate imu-

The reasonable college maninks, reasons and acts. Drastic aon of corporal punishment is antiqueven to oblivion.

STUDY AS AN ALTERNAVE

Usually one in speaking of student who has maintained a average of "A," lauds him as a an of

society, because he fears he will not an "amateur" is what he pretends yea, all Christendom, ought to his pals bask in. In a good many in- touching status are often genuine.

la deep imprint in his memory that | sportsman will usually s may follow throughout his career. readily. But when scrupl This may be said to account for the lowed up in the desire to many students who attain a high de- ateur status and its bounds of the "great arena of life way is open to deceit an

All around us and almost daily do bles which disgust the ob we see a fellow who was not so hot in which, as a matter of in his subjects because he imbibes honorable sportsman never in the gay life of the social whirl, whether for his own gain clothes, goes bareheaded, permits yet did fairly well in both, making one else's. a success in his chosen field. Who knows but what his contact with subsidizing which beset society did decide his success? One and school athletics the certainly can not deny that it could Sportsmanship Brotherh lend material aid. After all in no gests a powerful antidote: "Keep matter what field of activity one is faith with your comr. ade." This matter what field of activity one is engaged in his personality sells his wares. And indeed contact with society does develop, surprisingly so as ciety does develop and ciety does develop ciety does develop, surprisingly so as intends of satisfied short time would that young collegians present at the ed personality.

SUBSIDIZING AND SPORTSMAN- athlete who subscribes to the Code, covers at home.

BY HOWARD J. SAVAGE Member, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching

(Taken from Sportsmanship, Nov. 1929.) for good purposes. Nobody furt or the exclusive property of the ama- nominal and over-paid jobs or other prospers. Bostic rushing to classis a little—big world, almost a wheel manship is outstanding; mention of athlete in seven is subsidized. within a wheel. The routine must Walter Camp, Earl Coombs, William lege and school athletics.

The public has acquired the im- of complex athletic relationships and theory, is an amateur? The definition of an amateur at present most widely accepted in the United States runs, in its lowest terms, as follows:

An amateur sportsman is one who engages in sport solely for the pleasure and physical, mental, or social mefits he derives therefrom, and to sport solely for pleasure

taste demands the frown esap- Although, on the other hand, a pro-The obstacles of human nee are much pleasure and physical, mental, amateur status is fundamental to around here; Powell and his 'Y' does legion. We are always battl some and social benefit as the amateur,— American school and college sport, more than the whole bunch. Nice odds and ends against hessly sometimes perhaps of a somewhat and a desire to see games and conconfirmed failures. The tcome different sport,—these are not the tests won or lost honorably. Aldeal of respect for the rod They teur, by definition, foregoes; the pro- and misunderstanding of the values fessional enjoys a return in money that are involved for sport, for edulus for proper action. Metiks it or in kind. Therefore, although pro- cation, and for the welfare of indiserved that day of yore, witnuch fessional sport is in the nature of a vidual boys and young men. vocation rather than an avocation, The impairment of the amateur athletics and to our educational scientiously preserved.

must show their utter appreciation talked pleasantly for a few moevery day of their lives be a school by who, whether every day of their lives by deeds. ments, when drawing himself to point to him as a crite of for ises of monetary or material advan-from adherence to the Code of the the other students. He cites: proof tages. Most of these recruited col- Sportsmanship Brotherhood, from for his contention, that if a tudent lege athletes are subsidized; that is, the good home influence, or from Every true son of Smith has the right to prove to our most esteemed administrator through the first principles. Behold what we ministrator through the first principles where no consideration of the fact that their services, actual or proposed, on school or college teams or squads. These facts are known to every mastered one of the first principles. ministrator through the dint of atmention of make the dint of atmention of ministrator through the dint of atmention of more than a funded what we described as a control of sportsmanship.

A few years ago I compared the student does a cour friend says above, true brothe true, American sportsman, yet so carefully are they concealed as one possessing an indomitable will the student should be recognized as one possessing an indomitable will the student should be recognized as one possessing an indomitable will the student should be recognized as one possessing an indomitable will the student desided end. If he cration of more than a hundred of the same year's report. The Baptists colleges, and does stuff his ears with cotton in orhave twenty times more members have the irresistible music schools, it took the Carnegie Founhave its first V have twenty times more members does stuff his ears with cotton in or- our universities, colleges, and in their colored churches in the der not to hear the irresistible music schools, it took the Carnegie Foun-South than we Presbyterians. For of the numerous social joys, and if dation three years and required the that year the colored Baptists gave he does succeed in chaining himself study of literally thousands of cases for all purposes for church expens- to the goodship labeled "quest of to establish it beyond question. The es and benovelences just twenty- of knowledge," then the said student Foundation's enquiry has demoncruiting of college athletes are rootfive cents each member. The Pres- is due both commendation and re- strated that the subsidizing and rethe Lord's treasury for the same But in my observation which I ed in our dominantly commercial atpurpose \$4 per individual. In other confess has been limited, neverthetitude toward sports, and (to an apgroup of zealous students made his- words, a Presbyterian-trained Ne- less true, I find a different metive as preciable extent, in a praiseworthy group of zealous students made his-gro is worth to the Church of God tory on the campus a few nights ago in service and to his community of in service and to his community as my observation is one who is a vic- boys for a college education, a lack when the science club came into ex-istence. This attainment is the di-labasen C. Smith eductor the colrect result of efforts put forth by the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the land a desire to enjoy the land of the la

ed by a Rebel(?) Colonel Myers.

More power to Johnson C. Smith!

C. H. M.

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legalistic and over-techn indulges, or for any

For the abuses of recurring and

our college Code of the ood sug-UBSIDIZING AND SPORTSMAN- athlete who squeeties on the dia-SHIP IN AMERICAN SCHOOL knowing that his services on the dia-mond or the football field are bring-with his shirt and exposed—artists benefit to which he has no moral over

Carnegie Foundation, in the course

McCrorey also mentioned the program as an enon sport solely for pleasure similar curse. The first est of these years. Freshmen rushing for him is not a means of livelihood. Sentials of all h direct action

good sportsmanship is as incumb- status in American college athletics ent upon the professional as upon is the darkest blot upon our national the amateur. It is of the first import- sportsmanship, because it is rooted ance to American school and college in dishonesty and deceit, and because it involves the breaking of faith, not processes that the status of the ama- alone with one's comrade, but with teur in sport be strictly and con- oneself. At the same time, no amount like a mother collecting her brood of preaching will remedy this situa- brings them back to the campus, It is not so preserved at the pres- tion unless it is accompanied by sin- some happy, some disillusioned—we ent time. School athletes are recruit-cere and direct action on the part of are tired and so to bed.

VISITORS' DAT AT

Johnson C. Smith University have its first Visitors' Day on a release to our reading public two December 19th. At that time the weeks in arrears the students were faculty and students of the institu- asked to send in their news matter tion shall play host to the citizens at an earlier date. The staff was hopof Charlotte and neighboring towns. ing that this effort would help matthis half hour recital our visitors comes off. shall be conducted through our academic and administration, buildings. hen through our library, gymnasium, and printing buildings, thence

lve rather itors shall assemble are swal- campus around our brilliantly lightattain am-ed Christmas tree where carols shall dvantages be sung and Santa Claus shall move returns through the assembled guests.

fords, the Friends in Charlotte, please give to those us your presence on the campus of ical quib-Smith University on December 19 server and at 4 o'clock for Smith's first Visitors'

SMITH UNIVERSITY-DAY BY DAY

BY KLEM JUNIOR

entirely change the complexion of athletics. The supposedly amateur athletics. The supposedly amateur so quickly; ah, but we had oilcloth

mond or the Rootelli lice are oring-with his shirt all exposed—artists ing him a livelihood or part of a fare eccentric though. Griffin with livelihood,—material or monetary the big-knot ties that have well himself. right,-is false to the ethics of and Osabuty hankering over tenets sportsmanship. The college coach or and such things. Dump Horne and director who solicits school athletes Dunmore 'sluggishly moving to-The notion that sportsmanship is with promises of schoarships or ward Monte Carlo—they tell me it offended; nobody misunderstod. Col- teur is erronecus. There have been similar advantages in exchange for reminds one of a cock robin with a lege clubs, debating societie, student councils, fraternities, V.M. C. Association are achieving They are no longer considered naight. In the affairs of campus life there are achieved that professional athletes may be the affairs of campus life there are achieved that professional athletes may be the affairs of campus life there are achieved the achieved that the achieve that the achieve the achieve that the achieve the achieve that the achieve that the achieve the achieve that the achieve the achieve the achieve that the achieve that the achieve the ach the affairs of campus life they are and, indeed, often are as sportsman-true friend of American sport and that topcoat, Thompson, and the taking on a new aspect and eserve like as amateurs. The annals of sportsmanship can be easy in his Reo—the four inseparables. Presscommendation and support. American sport contain the names mind when he reflects that, the ley, Wilson, and Jenkins—the three Every college campus notadays of many professionals whose sports- country over, probably one college inseparables—and Ed. House and his Ego—the one inseparable. John-This evil is of long standing. It son and Biggs whiz by in the have been strenuous, years ag, with Haynes, Arnold Horween, Walter has existed for at least thirty years cabriolet; cars take something out much bitter loneliness. But the col- Johnson, T. A. D. Jones, Charles and probably for half a century, but of a Negro college student. Manley leges turned out scholars. Tody the Lindburgh, Christopher Mathewson, this fact is not an argument for its hurrying to get news for the Sturadio, the voluminous news apers and magazines and automobile ease William Roper, and J. J. Tunney by continuance. If it is resential that dent—a most modest man; rather our college and school athletics unusual in that he carries his honthis sordid unrest. The latest motor taken idea that sportsmanship is ex-should be amateur in fact as well as ors well. There is Red Ellis, he will cars are seen on every campu. The clusively an amateur's virtue has in theory, and if we are to approxible going to Asheville soon; his rattle-trap stripdown is out of date; been partly responsible for some of mate the fulfillment of those ideals girl has him on probation. So few student prospecting lessons if avi- the worst abuses of American col- of American sportsmanship to which Frat men with Frat pins. Will ge and school athletics.

It may be asked, What, in this day must not only preach but act.

So much lip service is rendered, we represent the property of the property athletic relationships and respectively. Fortunately for American athers' on visiting teams; some Frat letics, action has already begun. The men are so narrow. Rhoden driving Dungee's car as Dungee holds the of its enquiry, encountered numer- gear in place. Jethro Henry in the ous instances in which high school distance going up the "Bank;" he coaches and others who were concerned with school attiletics have been engaging in an active out to request the state of the campaign to uphold to any so request to the state of the campaign to uphold to the campaign to uphold the campaign the campaign to uphold the campaign the campai

to class with gusto; shall they be fessional may receive from sport as an ameteur, a conviction that the ologs—they inspire so little spirit the pleasantness at the Omega through conflicts are usually arve- professional's sole interest. In addi- though the situation is better than House—whisperingly, there is to be tion to them, he receives monetary or material benefit which the amaaggravated by hypocrisy, secrecy, will have dens—Frat men prosper some how. Jelly, peanut butter, and butter for supper—such combinations. Dusk, then night. Buildingswith lights peeping out here and there; a dusky beauty it is. The wind brings Hamlin's singing "I'm just a Vagabond Lover"-bum voice, nice sentiment. Men hurry to Library, some to study. some to Bull Sessions, and some to their sweethearts. The last street car from the city—

WHY 'THE STUDENT" IS LATE

There are two factors which the student body of Smith University is

with work to the extent that no defi-

off this dis situation of presenting nounds of the University on that tion with the regular contributors day and enter into an intimate asso- aid in gathering material. However, ciation with the dormitory life of the result has proved that only two the school. Our program for the en- out of every hundred students are tertainment of our visitors is as fol- to be depended on for material. To lows: At four in the afternoon we date 95 per cent of the students shall all assemble in the University have not realized that the paper is Church and listen to a half hour or- a d mocratic organ The answer can and choral recital under the di- for the disinterest is beyond the rection of Dr. Thos. A. Long and writer. Let us hope that there will Prof. Pevton. At the completion of be an awakening by the time election

AN INQUIRY

The staff is desirous to know through the three dormitories what articles prove of greatest inter-Carter Smith and Rerry Halls Then est to the majority of the student after viewing the Refectory the vis- body. The students are asked to itors shall be conducted through the communicate with the Editor con-

their work their work STINSUN C. SILLAR bilized today. Thus it was that Dr. McCrorey's

life and efforts revealed themselves to members of the highest rank in American civilization, This startling revelation of a man who was giving the best of his manhood brought Mrs. Smith into cur midst. Others

Is it any wonder, then, that the course not, but what about the days to be mine again soon. to come when this singular event | Two years ago I stood in the veswill have faded? Will it remain firm- tibule of the Second Presbyterian

Let us not forget that mere utter- proudly to his full stature, he said, ances, even though good in meaning, "I'm a Baptist minister; I was edoverlap themselves where no con- ucated at Johnson C. Smith Uni-

tion, and unswerving loyalty.

A CONSTRUCTIVE ADDITION TO CAMPUS ACTIVITIES—THE SCIENCE CLUB

In order to be better prepared to cope with systematized knowledge considered in reference to the dis-

lids off age-worn books so that a bet- sity, founded by a Rebel (?) Cap- he may not be abe to make the prop- what amateurism involves, and how ter understanding may be had of tain Willis I. Miller, on land donat- er adjustment (which after all may the acts of one's life fit into the patpast and present efforts.

With a science department which More power to Johnson C. Smith! ranks second to none in the South in equipment, much is to be gained | Morganton, Nov. 30.

Colored Institution Goes Davidson One Better. Seven, All Baptist Preachers.

To the Editor of The Observer also looked about them, and has- (Taken from The Charlotte Observtened to help a struggling laborer in er's Open Forum, December 1929.)

We would not take a single star student body of Johnson C. Smith from Davidson's Crown of Glory, University paused for a brief respite but we must say one word for the account. But what of today? from classes to pay homage to school of learning founded in your Smith's most illustrious son? Of city, my city once, and, please God,

ly fixed in our minds as students church before the morning Sabbath when we are in and out the campus? day service; as I entered, a fine, The appreciations which were six-foot colored man, or black man, showered on Dr. McCrorey must not for as one of his race said to me be looked upon as a matter of mere one day, "I'm not colored, I was form for the moment. The students born this way," spoke to me. We

byterian colored members put in spect. head of the science department, and ored Baptists who are seeking after the things that count in this dried affairs because he believes that paying its price. associate instructors. Profs. Williams, world and the world to come, on his studies profit him most. But The fundamental tests for ama-Peyton and Ray are desirous that the same terms offered to Presbythe students in this field grasp the terians, without money and with- ber for study because he presupter of individual conscience. The only spirit of the great unselfish men who out price. Charlotte, North Caroposes that he will not take well in person who can really know whether have given their lives in order to lina, and the whole Southland, promote happiness among the social yea, the United States of America be able to enjoy the popularity that to be is the man himself. Scruples With this in view the gentlemen sing its praises and sustain the stances this is true only because he In this case, they usually result from of the science club are prying the work of Johnson C. Smith Univer- imagines it to be so. He is afraid that a lack of knowledge of precisely