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"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Once again the season has changed and autumn has given stately to winter. Still, though a year has passed, the world remains bloody. This Thanksgiving finds America once more plunged into a struggle for those freedoms which our forefathers left their homes and loved ones to obtain, those which they came to the wild and unknown America to establish and guarantee for their children. We, their children, are now continuing their fight for the freedom to worship God in our own way, to speak what we wish, to protect ourselves from fear and want. We still believe in those high ideals of our Pilgrim fathers, and we are now fighting to keep them high.

Possibly some of us are beginning to wonder just what we have to be thankful for this year. Even in this darkest of wars, we Americans can see silver streaks for which to go to God's house and give thanks. Though the present and future are still a little dim, we still have many blessings for which we should be thankful.

First of all, we should be thankful that we are Americans and that we live in "the land of the free." We should be thankful for the food, warm clothes, and cozy homes that we have. Naturally, we are thankful for these, because daily we can read about people starving and freezing to death in Europe. We can thank our Maker that we are not under the rule of a guttural-toned dictator. Even when American youths are facing the battlefield they can be thankful for their parents and friends, for their schools and churches, and for the chance to prove their willingness to fight for the American way of life, the only way of life in which they believe.

The Thanksgiving of 1942 shall not fall lacking. We Americans realize our blessings and we shall give thanks for them. Our Thanksgiving prayer shall be: "God, our Father, we thank thee for America and the American way of life, for the birds and the trees, for our youth on the battlefield, for our grain and our cattle, for our homes and our parents. Dear Lord, we thank thee for life itself and we pray for thy guidance through another year! Amen!"
—L.R.J.

This Question Of Drinking

As our war effort is accelerated and loose living becomes more prevalent along with this increased effort, right thinking people are more and more attacking the ills that come about through the drinking of alcoholic beverages. The question is becoming more pregnant daily, as more and more of the evils of alcoholic liquors are recognized.

The liquor manufacturers and dealers have done a first-class job of fooling the American people. Their alluring, colorful advertisements, their boisterous presentation of misleading half-truths, and their pretended interest in good government have inveigled many into looking upon drinking as merely an innocent pleasure.

But the increasing obviousness of the great harm involved in drinking has made many think again. Now increasing numbers are raising protesting voices against the unrestricted sale and consumption of this poisonous deceiver, and some of those in position to influence its control are beginning to lend attentive ears to these pleas.

And yet, even many of those who hold responsible governmental positions indulge freely in drinking and openly support the liquor manufacturers in their devilish contentions. There seems to be a lack among our government officials of that moral stamina which was so characteristic of our forbears. Who is there now in our army who has fought for the suppression of drinking and vice among our soldiers as did General John J. Pershing? He did not wait for public opinion to force him to bar liquor from his men. He did it from a profound conviction on his own part. And who in our present navy has strived so valiantly for prohibition among our sailors as did North Carolina's own Josephus Daniels in the first World War? He fought and won his fight in spite of opposition from strong government quarters.

The entire responsibility for the drink evil rests finally on

Alumni News

All of our former Nonpareils and Euthalians cannot be with us in person for anniversary tonight, but we are inspired by the thought that hundreds of them are with us in spirit. We mention below a limited number of that host who will be with us in spirit:

Dr. Zeno Wall, a former Euthalian, is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Shelby. He also holds the distinction of having been president of the Baptist State Convention.

Flossie Marshbanks is at present superintendent of public instruction in Raleigh. Miss Marshbanks was an outstanding Nonpareil while at Mars Hill.

Dr. Irma Henderson, a physician in Asheville, was graduated from Mars Hill in 1929. She was president of the society in 1929.

Gerald W. Johnson, of Thomasville, was a former Euthalian. Since his graduation from Mars Hill in 1908, Mr. Johnson has been outstanding in the field of journalism. At present he is editor of the Baltimore Evening Sun. He is also the author of many outstanding books. His **Roosevelt: Dictator or Democrat?** is recognized as one of the best biographies of President Roosevelt to date.

Dr. Cora Corpening Kornegay is now a successful physician at Virginia Beach, Virginia. Dr. Corpening holds the distinction of being the first girl to enroll in the science department of the University of North Carolina.

Many former Euthalians are now serving in the various branches of our country's service. Dr. Franklin Wilkins is now a lieutenant with the medical corps of the U. S. navy. He was graduated from Mars Hill in 1933, Wake Forest in 1935, and has received both his M. D. degree and his M. A. degree in surgery from Temple University Medical college, Philadelphia.

Albert Corpening, a captain in the medical detachment at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, was graduated from Mars Hill in 1920.

Charles B. Summey, of Dallas, N. C., has recently left Camp Sutton to take a post in the finance detachment at Crossville Internment camp, near Crossville, Tennessee. "Chile" entered Mars Hill in 1936 and was graduated in 1939 from three departments—liberal arts, pre-medical, and pre-law. He was anniversary president of the Euthalians.

Pvt. Herbert L. Sebren, of Asheville, a former Euthalian and a teacher at Mars Hill since 1939, is now in the air corps at Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois. He is taking his link training at the present. We have news that he is preparing

the American public—the voters of America. When the voters of our country have learned to give principle precedence over party and politics, then we shall have gone a great distance in the defeat of liquor and its associated evils.

As college students most of us are not as yet of voting age. But this fact does not relieve us of all responsibility. On our own campus there is an organization to combat alcoholic beverages—namely, the Youth Temperance Council. This year the work of this group has been expanded. Each of us is free to join the group and to throw our influence into the fight. Other colleges are also expressing interest in this type of work. We can set the pace for them to follow. Let us arouse the minds of the people of our land to the danger of this deadly poison. Too much time has already been lost!

—J. W. C.

Library Notes

Civilian Defense of the United States, by Col. R. Ernest Dupuy, G.S.C., and Lt. Hodding Carter, F.A., is one of the best pictures of our civilian defense that has been printed in words.

The authors say that this is not only a war of the armies and the navies but also one of the combined forces of the United States—that means you, and me, and our neighbors. No one is to be given the leisure to sit beneath a stately oak and sip a julp.

We, of the United States, are calling for an act of offensive warfare. If you are one of these for an act of offensive warfare. If you are one of these callers—and we all are—you should be one of the first to read this book, for it tells us that to have to have such warfare the home-front must learn to protect itself. It not only tells us what we have to do, but it tells us now to do it.

"On the home-front," say the authors, "our part in the defensive warfare is to protect our homes, factories, and our vital 'nerve centers' from the many disruptions—whether by bombing, sabotage, or by enemy propaganda."

It is stated very truthfully in this volume that we are kicking about the job the soldiers are doing and clamoring for a better job. After reading further

an article on "K. P." for this publication—we shall look forward to receiving it.

Several comparatively recent Euthalians are now in our country's service. Ralph Jinnette, of Goldsboro, is an office worker at Ft. Jackson. Jack Lucke, of Badin, is an air cadet at Lakeland, Florida. William Duckworth, of Asheville, is a corporal technician at Ft. Jackson. Robert Brissie, a Euthalian of last year, is taking basic training at Camp Wallace, Texas.

Some Euthalians have left us in recent weeks to take up arms. Eddie Hinson and Elliott "Skipper" Shearon are both ground crew members of the air force at Fort Bragg. Elliott Donnell and William Helderman have not yet been assigned to definite posts.

Maurine Coley, anniversary president of Nonpareil last year, is an outstanding member of the junior class at U.N.C. This fall she has been elected to membership in the U.N.C. chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, national writing fraternity, and also to the Playmakers.

Mary Nell Hardin, a senior at Coker college, recently played the leading role in the fall production of the Queen Bess Players. She has also been chosen as one of the Coker representatives for the 1943 edition of **Who's Who among College and University Students**.

NONPAREIL

It was 4:10 and a hu fallen over the hall filled earnest, awed Nonpareil golden sunlight through the almost mo curtains and playing in the walls cast its gleeful across the polished bla which stood as an emb dignity, simplicity, an servatism to all who upon its striking outline power lay in that gavo silent amid its gracio roundings! What fine actors had raised it a three decisive, ringing had called former meet Nonpareils and Euthal order! Amid the eager those around me I could imagine seeing the smiles of Georgia Co Maurine Coley, or Lyn weather.

An inner, ever-bubbly sire almost made me proclaim to everyone the derful glories of Nonpareil its ideals. Looking ar could see that such a overflowing from the do every dear Nonpareil me. Each gay smile see thrill with the excitement solemnity of the moment is this hidden, inexp something in Nonpare makes everyone longyo some great deed for otk do everything possible Nonpareil on top and t high above the very hat No early words coulder bly be expressive enae bring this hidden atm to the light; for it wst ormed by one Nonpareil but by the combining de, of all the Nonpareils of bu and former times. No fe could form the outstho nucleus of Nonpareil, fo a nucleus herself to a repla outer world.

The silence was bro all stood to honor the ment and desk officers Th mounted the desk, thre silhouettes against the sunlight. The figure center moved forward, ng the gavel with her le gave three firm raps at "The regular meeting Nonpareil Literary Soci please come to order glorious NONPAREIL!

in the book we find the also truthfully stated must find ourselves do the home-front what we the boys to do on the fro of battle. We must lea our jobs as the soldier learn to do theirs.

This book should be ing to all students at Mo but it will interest estody hose who are planning and that will deal with the effort and with leader is some of the many A ind communities. It covers phase of national defer the little red school by I s the factories with their stacks belching smoke ere.

It is a book written ther men who are authorit his subject, and theours given to the public an e th ative, detailed, and are l he-minute report of excep defense in the United S