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A Brand New Start

We will meet God Sunday morning in new surroundings. Spring thrills us with her newly acquired wardrobe. We gaze in awe at her and realize that God's immaculate hand worked skillfully to fashion spring's new Easter outfit.

God's hand worked, too, in the completion of our new sanctuary. He has given us beauty in his handiwork of nature and enabled us to erect in His honor a nucleus around which our lives should rotate. Both the new building and the reawakened spring are His, to be used for His glory.

This Easter Sunday represents the newness of Christianity. Christ rose on this day to give to the world new hope, peace, and salvation. Spring revitalizes herself in commemoration of the resurrection of Christ, and our new church accentuates it in our hearts and minds.

With the greenness of spring, the modernness of our house of worship, and the new-born faith in Jesus Christ fresh within our minds and hearts, we joyfully and thankfully enter our new house of worship.

Decline of Chivalry

Are you rude, inconsiderate, thoughtless? If you are a boy, you'd better go back and read that question again. While you're at it, think about it for a while, too. It needs some thought, because it looks as if quite a few of Mars Hill's young men, though not all of them, have forgotten that they were reared to be gentlemen. There will always be a few boys in any institution who act as if they were reared on a planet entirely devoid of women, but lately it seems as if Mars Hill has an enormous overdose.

For Instance: A girl arrives on the campus of the University of North Carolina for one night's stay. She carries a tiny overnight bag weighing very little, and her car pulls right up to the very steps of the dormitory in which she is to stay. A perfectly strange young man whom she has never seen before (dressed neatly and wearing tie and coat) rushes down the dorm's three front steps and offers to help her with her bag.

Contrast: The same girl arrives at Mars Hill College. Her bus unloads in front of Spilman dormitory, and she climbs down and gathers in two large suitcases and a box. On the steps, six (not one, but six) husky specimens of Mars Hill's "gentlemen" watch her wrestle with her baggage and finally struggle up Edna Moore hill. They turn, yawn, and watch another group of girls do the same, all without moving more than an inch.

Contrast: A girl goes shopping up town, and returns with her arms laden with packages, some of them rather heavy. As she walks back toward the campus, two boys walk along with her, laughing and talking, and empty handed.

Contrast: A girl with an armload of books starts into the reserve library. As she struggles with the door, a boy standing behind her waits impatiently. Finally she gets it open. The boy comes close to knocking her down as he dodges past her to get inside.

Impossible? No, fact. We saw every one of those incidents right here on the campus, not once but many times. If some of the boys who tie up the local telephone lines for hours would show a little more of their worship of the opposite sex by being just normally courteous, they would find it made far more of an impression.

And speaking of the opposite sex, it has something to do with the cause. It does not further the idea of gentlemanly conduct very much when a young man politely opens a door for a lady, only to have her pass him without so much as a nod of appreciation; this is especially true when she is followed by four or five more who likewise pass without a glance. Almost everyone has seen somewhat the same thing happen at the girl's dormitories when the lights flash at seven fifteen. One boy will find himself stuck with the door in his hand while an endless line of girls files past. How many of them so much as say "Thank you"?

That "impression" idea works both ways.

New Girl From Seoul

Chong In Ahn of Seoul, Southern Korea, arrived on the Mars Hill campus several weeks ago. She has been named "Carol" by Miss Snelson and Mr. Chapman. The two faculty members arrived at this name for Chong because Chong means "bell" in Korean.

Chong, or Carol, comes to Mars Hill from the capital of Korea, Seoul, where she has studied English for approximately three years in high school before coming to the United States. She is taking a liberal arts course at Mars Hill, although she will not begin actual credit classwork until the start of the summer-school session.

How To Pass In Ten Easy Lessons

The following ten rules are really not anything brand new, but they seldom fail to draw a chuckle from somebody who hasn't heard them. Originated by Robert Tyson, they consist of some sure-fire advice on how to stay in school:

(1) Bring the professor newspaper clippings dealing with his subject. If you can't find clippings dealing with his subject, bring in any clipping. He thinks everything deals with his subject.

(2) Look alert; take notes eagerly. If you must look at your watch, don't stare at it unbelievably and shake it.

(3) Nod frequently and murmur, "How true!" To you, this seems exaggerated. To him, it is quite objective.

(4) Sit in front, near him. (Applies only if you intend to stay awake). If you're going to all the trouble of making a good impression, you might as well let him know who you are.

(5) Laugh at his jokes. You can tell; if he looks up from his notes and smiles expectantly, he has told a joke.

(6) If you must sleep, arrange to be called at the end of an hour. It creates an unfavorable impression if the rest of the class has left and you sit there alone, dozing.

(7) Be sure the book you read during the lecture looks like the book from the course. If you do math in psychology class and psychology in math, match the books for size and color.

(8) Ask for outside reading. You don't have to read it, just ask.

(9) Ask any questions you think he can answer. Also, avoid announcing that you have found the answer to a question he could not answer, and in your little brother's second grade reader at that.

(10) Agree with his views. If he is a staunch Republican, refrain from asking him why the Democrats have won so many national elections.

It's You

You say the world looks gloomy,
The skies are grim and gray;
The night has lost its quiet—
You fear the coming day.
The world is what you make it,
The sky is gray or blue
Just as your soul may paint it;
It ain't the world . . . it's you.
Clear up the clouded vision,
Clean out the foggy mind;
The clouds are always passing,
And each is silver lined.
The world is what we make it—
Then make it bright and true
And when you think it's gloomy,
It ain't the world . . . it's you.

Honor Groups Hold Final Meet

The honor clubs held their final meetings of the year last Monday and Tuesday evenings, winding up their activities as individual groups. The May meeting, the last of the year, will consist of the joint honor club banquet to be held in the college cafeteria.

The International Relations Club met Monday night in Stroup Parlor with a program centered around "Our Good Neighbors to the South," Latin America. Participating were Jackie Roberts, who presented a talk on the importance of Latin America to the United States; Charles Miller, who spoke on political unrest in Latin America; Wanda McCurry, who talked of the U. S. relations with Latin America; and Roberto Negrón, who gave some personal experiences concerned with the life and politics of the country.

The Scriblerus Club held its last program of the year on American Humor. Three aspects of humor, early, literary, and "melting pot," were presented by Wanda Chason, Anne Thompson, and Mary Frances Cowart. Selections by American humorists were read by Barbara Sellers, Clara Herron, Barbara Gibson, Charles McCall and Shirley Spivey. Hannah Blackwell, Shirley Coppedge, and Phin-alia Blackstone furnished music. Phyllis Anderson gave the devotions.

The Science Club met in Edna Moore parlor on Monday night with a discussion on the value and uses of herbs, as medicine, perfume and flavoring. Particularly discussed were plants native to this region.

Joe C. Robertson spoke on French artists and their works at the meeting of the French Club in the home of Mrs. Nona Roberts. He illustrated his talk with examples of several artists' works. Also participating in the program were Beverly Beauford, Sybiline Blinson, Shirley Revan, Terry Thomas, Joann Robbins, Fred Crisp, Betty Lambert and Cynthia Knight.

The Bible Club held its meeting in Huffman playroom Monday night, where a buffet supper was served. Dr. D. E. Richardson was guest speaker.

Wendall G. Davis, pastor of Western Avenue Baptist Church in Statesville presented a program of slides on Cuba at the regular meeting of the Spanish club. Mr. Davis has spent several summers in Cuba.

A review of "Niebelungenlied" was presented by Sue Waldrop to the members of the German club. Martha Swanson sang a solo in German and the group participated in group singing and German games.

Federation Holds District Meet Here

Mars Hill campus had as its guests on April 15, the Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs District Number 4. Approximately 250 homemakers from Buncombe, Madison, and Yancey attended the meetings.

Mrs. A. B. Sutton, first vice-president of Buncombe County Clubs, presided at the meetings in the absence of Mrs. Guy Rice, president, who was ill.

Mrs. E. M. McNish, Franklin, a delegate to the United Nations (Continued on Page 4)

More Than These

"Mommy, will the Easter Bunny come and bring me some candy?" questions the bright-eyed four-year-old.

"Sure, Kenny," replies the mother.

Yes, to Kenny as to most four-year-olds Easter means bunny rabbits, candy, and egg hunts.

To Mrs. Williams, Kenny's mother, Easter has quite a different meaning. When the thought of Easter enters her mind she thinks of the lovely navy outfit which she plans to wear with red accessories. She thinks of flowers, too. The red carnations which will adorn her outfit.

Mr. Williams' idea of Easter is also partly secular. "Gee, it'll be great to be off work for a couple of days. I'll go fishing at Crew's Lake."

Easter has a deeper meaning to Mrs. Williams' mother than it has to the younger Williamses. Being older and more experienced in life, she realizes that there is more to Easter than new clothes or Easter bunnies. She thinks of her children who are living miles away from her. Easter signifies homecoming for them. Traveling is easier in spring than at Christmas-time, and the countryside is more beautiful.

But added to the traces of the old pagan festival honoring the goddess of spring is the Christian faith in the resurrection of man. Easter is perhaps the most touching and sincerely religious of our Christian observances.

Dressed in colorful new clothes, with mother and the girls wearing corsages, the entire family goes to church, even though they may not be regular attendants. The solemn tones of the organ, the pure white lilies at the chancel, and the robed choir singing triumphantly "He is risen, alleluia" lift the souls of even the most thoughtless to a contemplation of life, death, and immortality.