

New Semester Offers Chance to Re-evaluate

As first semester ends and the new one opens up innumerable possibilities, the time for a careful scrutiny or re-evaluation of our past actions and future plans is appropriate.

Probably with the arrival of the new year, all of us made resolutions—maybe to study diligently for examinations or to begin studying next semester (dodging the issue a little longer), or possibly to try to improve personal traits and characteristics.

As a rule these proposed resolutions are neglected and forgotten—we procrastinate about fulfilling them. (Recall any resolutions that have been made and forgotten?)

Yet we are quick to criticize others who do not fulfill their promises such as our school officers, professors, or classmates. We readily condemn them as lazy, procrastinators, etcetera. We forget to look inwardly at ourselves—scrutinizing our own defective resolutions and faults in general.

We might ask ourselves if we always willingly accept the responsibility that we have assumed such as doing our school work to the extent of our capabilities. Do we try to help constructively (besides only creating antagonism by pointed criticism) such as willingly helping on committees, or in any other facet of the community?

Of course criticism is not wrong if we render it with the right attitude and have facts to warrant it. But should we not also be ready to admit our own shortcomings and to offer our help to remedy faulty areas of the community? Should we not be ready to praise the good aspects also?

The time is opportune for the re-evaluation of the whole structure of our college community—the excellence of the academic rating (individually and collectively), the relationship of the various administrative areas, and the fulfilling of assumed responsibility. Why do we not all join in some constructive work and accept our part in the total life of our college?

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WF Recruiters Set an Example

The announcement last week by Wake Forest football coach Bill Hildebrand that the Demon Deacons will recruit qualified Negro athletes brings up an interesting question:

Couldn't Mars Hill do likewise?

Coach Henderson could use a couple of 250-pound tackles and a pair of speedy backs, and no doubt Coach Wood would welcome a 6-10 pivot man for his cage squad. Now that Mars Hill is out of an athletic conference and has more opportunity to select its opponents seems an opportune time to take this step.

C. P. Erickson, athletic director at the University of North Carolina, has what sounds like the best athletic recruiting philosophy. Said he, "When we recruit, we look for good students, good athletes and good campus citizens."

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Scotch Valentine

Roses are high
At a buck a sniff;
Tulips tagged
For a prince's pouch;
Jonquils, jeepers!
Orchids, ouch!
Candy is sweet
And most convincive,
But on the other hand
It's also expensive.
And so I send you
Sentiments of the season,
Written in rhyme
Which is still within reason.
Thus, these words combine
Economy and valentine.
—ANON

Good Advice

Words of advice from the NEA Journal, 1949, offer college students some sure-fire advice on how to stay in school. The article, by Robert Tyson, listed the following rules:

1. Look alert, take notes eagerly.
2. If you 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 the Prof 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, especially in a large class.
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 the 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 class, match the books in size and color.
8. Ask for outside reading. You don't have to read it, just ask.
9. Ask any question you think he can answer. Conversely avoid announcing that you have found an answer to a question he could not answer in your younger brother's second grade reader at that.

(With Apologies to Joyce Kilmer)

I think that I shall never see,
An "F" as lovely as a "B".
A "B" whose form is gently pressed,
Upon the front sheet of my test.
A "B" that on my report card may,
Induce the folks back home to say:
My, how smart that child must be,
To make such grades at M.H.C.!
A "B" that represents the toil,
Of countless nights and midnight oil.
"F's" are made by Nuts like me,
For only experts make a "B".

—By George Foster
Hilltop, April 23, 1949

Men Wanted—Once A Maybe Super

Job-minded college students to Experience, says the Dallas M has led the nation's largest bus s atreel we had on caturdays ago ofing like a human amversa, made me grat least 24 years old, were reared at most people do theory of evolut by nature, and not given to worer if monkeys are d not to be associaed with completely withe people say wo average tree-clim for life.

"If any surplus is available," th comments, "no doubt such candid employment in the president's Pentagon or the United Nations No doubt! And if the available exhausted by then, there probab some openings in college teachintry, coaching, insurance sales

s Influencingers

Paper Staff Dwe Journalists So

19th century Amist Henry Cuyler B Walt Whittaker and the transfer to Bill Freeman back to his b Forest has depleted the campu staff to a point of alarm — at leas after his phrases

Already one of the smallest Wulkner's The Sov on the campus, the staff has lab under the handicap of too much not enough personnel with whic it. Some help has come forth, th Night. needed. Tom Halyburton, a for football player in Florida, became originaled w "Lion's Den." Pat Miller off "I have not slept charge of the advertising, a job bmbeline). "Can handling most of the first semesuch a good thin borne and Marietta Atkins remainlike It) and "In

There is need for a good proof an eye" (The M has a couple of spare hours on nice), to name jus afternoons. An imaginative stude experience in page layout and theles even complainable time would also be welcome. w we sit through at least two good reporters we just to recognize on Monday afternoons and some hard-working Ken Huneycutt will on Saturday mornings could be masthead without crowding it. aspiring journalists who are real work and who do not have an will find opportunity for some satice on the staff. See the advisor.

To Study By

Semantics Any Latest in

ular Music

Words are those "funny val uages. The word "line," for exa listed meanings in Webster's Net Dictionary, and that old standby more than 200 related forms in Ro Thesaurus. But the most interest propo uses of these "funny val those used here at Mars Hill Coll

"Tough" is used almost exclusively after having been exposed to ministered by profs Jolley and U

When discussing the sometime and sometimes delightful, sometimes wet weather, one is tely the slang "Spastic."

Now "water" is of general inter ticularly for the fellows, who get its full meaning practically eve about 11:00 p.m. and especially at and holidays. However, it also 'water fountain' which sometimes and then fixed, though perhaps ately.

"Sunday" is the "essence of think but not seen" on the other days. With the exception of the faith means students and faculty get what they have "put on" the oth It is used by those who need to their work or an opportunity to UNC basketball game, Walt Disney day Night Movie and the Late Sh —WN

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