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THE IMPORTANCE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION

After high school, what? College life with all of its wondrous experiences, of course. Those who never go to college can't even begin to imagine a third of what they miss—the thrills, work, play, comradeship and wholesome training, which comes from a college education.

Pope has said: "Tis education forms the common mind; Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined."

Some high school graduates feel that they know about all there is to know, but a high school education is only a beginning in fitting one for the long path of life. He, who would be efficient, must gain a higher education and thus acquire those things which enable one to grasp the greatest conception of life.

We are again reminded of one of Pope's quotations: "A little learning is a dangerous thing, Drink deep, or taste not the Prierian spring, These shallow draughts intoxicate the brain, And drinking eagerly sobers us again."

This might be applied to students, who, seeing only the immediate need for the dollar, seek only to gain a two-year college course. Though there is no objection to a two-year college course, as far as it goes, it is shallow, and can not possibly result in the broadest efficiency. Thus, we see that one who accomplishes the most in life must "drink deep" from that one fountain which is available to most people who are willing to work and sacrifice.

PETS

Pets are things that run some people wild and make others very happy. A little poodle dog curled up on the lap of a society girl is surely a fortunate pet, but the cat that lives down in the alley and is kicked from door to door considers his lot a very unhappy one. The little white rabbit that is carefully moved from place to place and fed every hour by the gentle hand of an old lady should be happy but he longs to break down the iron bars that hold him and run swiftly over the meadows to his kind. The big shepherd dog that diligently guards the children who play around him is surely content. The canary bird that greets the break of day with his song is greeted by his master, but the neighbors would like to choke the shrieking bird.

LOUISE SEWELL,
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MANY THANKS!

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the High School Seniors who complied so readily to our request for material for this issue of "The Chowanian." We regret that the lack of space makes it impossible to print all that we received. In addition to those printed, we wish to mention the following splendid papers which we did not have room for: "The Lesson a Mother Learned," by Clarissa Harrell, of Hobbsville, N. C.; "John's Return Home," by Callie Hobbs, of Hobbsville, N. C.; "The Poor Rich Man," by Hilda Riddick, of Hobbsville, N. C.; "Washington Irving," by Mollie Winborne, of

Bless others, dear Lord,
And bless me.

MOLLIE WINBORNE,
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THE FACTS OF THE CASE

Characters: Susie Brown, high school graduate; Jean Brown, younger sister of Susie; Mary Jones, Chowan College graduate; Elsie Adams, Virginia Jones and Louise Smith, high school friends of Susie and Jean.

Time: A June afternoon.
Place: Home of the Brown sisters. Mary, Elsie, Virginia and Louise are visiting the Brown sisters.

Susie: "What are you grinning about, Mary?"
Mary: "Was I grinning?"
Elsie: "Yes, out with the joke."

Mary: "It isn't a joke exactly. I was just remembering a Chowan tradition and how I felt when I experienced it."

Jean: "For goodness sake, Mary, don't be so slow—I'm dying to know. Go ahead."

Mary: "Oh shucks, don't believe I'll tell you girls. It's a mystery, and a secret, for the most part."

Louise: "Well, I like your nerve to get our curiosity up and tell us nothing. That's cruel!"
Susie: "Tell us what you can and we'll imagine the rest."

Mary: "One night my Freshman year, about midnight we heard an awfully weird fuss. We had been hearing a little talk about a 'Brown Lady' coming, the ghost of Chowan. My, we were frightened. Every Freshman got up and locked her door, then crawled back in bed and covered up head and ears. Seemed like our hearts would betray our

hiding places they thumped so loudly. In a few minutes the Brown Lady was knocking at my door. Of course I made no reply, but the Brown Lady didn't ask locked doors any odds—into every room she went."

Susie: "Who is the Brown Lady, and what does she do?"
Mary: "That's the part I can't tell you; and you'll never know the truth about her till you go to Chowan."

Elsie: "Is this really true Mary, or are you telling us a ghost tale?"
Mary: "It's a ghost tale, but it's true, all right."

Susie: "Please tell us some more about the Brown Lady."
Mary: "Can't do it."
All: "Please—go ahead."
Mary: "No; impossible."
Susie: "Well if you absolutely

refuse, tell us about some of the courses of study that are offered at Chowan. Daddy and Mother say they are going to let me choose my own college, so I'm trying to learn about all of them. I've always heard good things about Chowan and believe I'd like to go there. What degrees are given at Chowan?"

Mary: "You can get either a B. A. or a B. S. degree. One hundred and twenty hours with four hours of physical education, and one hundred and twenty quality credits are required for graduation."

Susie: "For goodness sake, what in the world are 'quality credits?' I never heard of such things."
Mary: "Oh, that means the grades you make. Only the grades A, B and C carry quality credits."

Jean: "Do other colleges have that crazy idea of having to make certain grades?"
Mary: "Why, of course. Every college that is standard requires a student to have quality credits. Of course you don't want to go to a college that isn't standard."

Virginia: "Mary, I like to cook and sew, I've learned a lot of things about home economics from my high school 'Home Ec' teacher, and I want to continue my studies along that line."
Jean: "Bet your life Ginger does. You know she's in love."

Virginia: "Jean aren't you 'shamed? You know Bob and I are nothing but friends. Mary, don't pay any attention to her."

Tell me about the Home Economics Department."

Mary: "Well, it includes so much, I don't know whether or not I can remember all the courses that were taught last year. Let's see, home nursing and child care, house planning and interior decorating, home cookery and table service, household management, costume designing and of course the study of foods and clothing."

Louise: "Ginger if you go to Chowan and study all those things, I think you'll be an expert cook and housekeeper."

Jean: "Do let us come to see you when you get to housekeeping. Will you?"
Virginia: "Consider yourself invited right now."

Susie: "I like home economics too, but I'm afraid I'll be an old maid, then what would I do with home ec? Guess I'd better study something else."

Mary: "You needn't if you don't want to. At Chowan you can get a course in the teaching of home economics. Really, Susie, I think you'll make a cracker-jack school ma'am."

Jean: "Mary, I have two more years in high school and then I expect to go to college. I just must learn to play and sing, even though I can't carry a tune. What about the Music Department at Chowan?"

Mary: "You can learn most all there is to 'know about music at Chowan. I can't begin to remember the names of all those theoretical courses, such as solfeggio, counterpoint and so forth."

Jean: "Do you have a voice teacher?"
Mary: "Indeed we do, and a dandy one, too. She also teaches public school music. You know that's required of elementary school teachers now."

Louise: "How about a glee club?"
Mary: "Why certainly we have a glee club. Did you ever hear of a college worth anything that didn't have a glee club? We have an orchestra, too. I declare, Mr. Benyunes is a wonder. That man can play any instrument I've ever seen."

Elsie: "Well, I surely am glad to hear that. I've always wanted to play a saxophone."
Susie: "Maybe he'll let me beat the drum. Ha ha!"
Elsie: "Do you have an art teacher?"

Mary: "Yes, we have a china painting department. The exhibit at last commencement was just lovely."

Virginia: "Believe I'll take china painting. I always did want a set of hand painted china."

Mary: "That's the place to get it. A number of girls take china painting along with their other courses. By the way, Mrs. Vaughan, the art teacher, gives a course in public school art for those who wish to teach in the grammar grades."

Louise: "Mary, I don't believe you've told us anything about Expression. Do you—?"
Mary: "Yes indeed we do. You can get a diploma in expression. We also have a dramatic club composed of the expression students."

Louise: "Does the dramatic club give many plays and entertainments?"
Mary: "Oh yes. They give plays all during the year. That is a live organization."

Susie: "Mary, didn't you write me a few weeks ago about taking typing?"
Mary: "I surely did. I was about to forget to tell you about the Business Department at Chowan. If you like, you can learn to be a real business lady. You can take typing, shorthand and bookkeeping."

Susie: "Gee, girls, all this sounds interesting to me."
Jean: "I'll say it does. I know I'm going to Chowan."

Susie: "And I too. I'm going to fill out the application blank this very day. Just think, it won't be long now until I'll know all the secrets about the Brown Lady."

Mary: "You'd better send your application at once because the rooms are being filled rapidly. Girls don't you everyone want to go to Chowan?"
All: "I'll say we do!"

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