

Sermonettes.

A time to build up.—Eccle. iii., 3.

The halls of the university were evidently made to be used, but not as assembly rooms where students could meet and gossip and giggle and waste their time. It is a good joke to talk about "hall work" and it sounds cute to talk about it, but the time wasted there is very precious. The library contains many a book that you will never be able to read for lack of time. Your "hall work" might better be spent to good advantage in the library. Perhaps, too, your parents have worked hard to be able to send you to school, and you ought to use every minute to the best advantage. When you have learned all there is to learn in the university, then make an appointment for "hall work," but not until then.

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A talebearer revealeth secrets.—Prov. xi., 13.

Gossip does very well for empty or evil minds, but for minds that are being trained for noble life work, it is positively wicked. It seems strange that such a condition of things could exist in the State University. But actually you cannot walk through the halls without hearing some little gossip. Some of it is harmless, and some of it is devilish. If we could only forget the miserable things we hear about people and tell only the nice things we hear about them we would soon have a little heaven. The sly hints that are thrown out about people, the evil construction put on the most innocent actions are vile and uncalled for. When we get old and the world has lost its charms and our brains are worn out, then let us gossip if we will, but not while the great beautiful world lies about us and while there is so much to do and to learn.

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See Commandments.

Some of the girls complain that their lunch baskets are minus lunches when they go to them at noon. We have learned and to our sorrow of the hat thieves, but has it come to lunch thieves? It surely must be a joke. There are certainly not among the ladies that attend the university, ones that would stoop so low as to pilfer a lunch? If it is done through a spirit of mischief, it is to say the least but a poor way to have fun. If there are any one so hungry that they must do that way to get enough to eat, God pity them! Character is more than education. If we cannot get an education without stealth let us give it up. Without character we are building an edifice upon the shifting sands.

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Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help. Isaiah XXXI.

It seems to be no secret among the students that they "pony," or "crib." They seem to think it is a good joke. It is so much easier to look on the book and write down the answers, than it is to think about it. And after all it is so very hard for some people to think. But what good will it do those students to go through

college and "crib" all the time? They will stand high in their classes and all that, but what real strength have they gained? It is the worst sort of foolishness. And besides it is stealing. There is no other word that fits the act so well as this mean word "stealing." Ladies and gentlemen who would resent to the last degree were they called thieves, will nevertheless persist in getting their lessons in a dishonest way. Surely our ideas of right and wrong are queerly developed.

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HII! HII! HII! Phi Kappa Psi!

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Town, Whiting, Griffith, Lottridge, Curtice, Marshall, Moore, Richards, Polk, Williamson, Winger, Whedon, Flo Winger, Hoddy, and Gustin, of Kearney.

Messrs. Packard, Saxton, Frank, Bishoff, Duff, Hebard, Doubrava, Burgett, Wheeler, Pulis, Cullen, Mallilieu, Risser, Young, Andrews, Low, and Westermann.

They Were Extravagant,

The Dramatic club cleared \$102.80. That was very good and reflects great credit on the management. But the club might have made \$103 even, or perhaps a little more just as well as not if a few of the members had been a little more economical. For instance, the following item: "Rent of whiskers for Bentley." Now, then, why does not Bentley grow his own whiskers? These are hard times and the club cannot afford to hire whiskers for any one. It was really necessary for Bob Manley to rent some whiskers, for Bob's don't grow very fast yet. But Bentley has no excuse to offer for his actions.

Again, there was an item, "Perishable freight for Open Gate," upon which a few remarks would be in order. Such perishable goods were not necessary for the audience to obtain a dead effect.

Mr. Tucker was also extravagant. But then Carl thought he needed a dress in order to act and look like a girl in "Chums."

It might be well for the University Dramatic club to pattern after other university organizations, as the Glee club for instance, and give up these luxuries during the hard times at least.

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