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IT HAS A PLACE.

A discussion has recently arisen in regard to the Senior Play. One of the students was heard to remark that the Senior Play should be discontinued in favor of something of more general interest to the student body. He did not mention what kind of super-entertainment he thought would accomplish this result.

We wonder just how many of the students take the few non-athletic activities of our College seriously. There are at best a pitifully inadequate number of these for an institution the size of A. and M., and one that is called a College. The other institutions of equal rank in our state make provisions through their debating, oratorical, and dramatic clubs for the students to get supplementary training and at the same time the enjoyment that goes with volunteer work of any kind. Of course there is the work on the Longhorn and we have a struggling Forensic Club that is competing in intercollegiate circles, yet the number interested is not as large as it should be.

Under the supervision of the English Department and under the coaching of Dr. Summey and Mr. Owens, the members of the dramatic club are working hard on this year's production. Night after night the ones who are to take part in the play have given their time and effort to produce an entertainment that we will enjoy and which will be representative of the College. Yet we venture to say that there are a number of the students who do not know yet that we have an annual Senior Play.

The writer was present one time when an ex-student of our college was asked to take part on a program as a speaker. He was unable to do so and excused himself on the grounds that he was a graduate of a technical college where there were no literary activities, and where he could get little training in speaking. He neglected to say that the literary activities were being fostered, but that he and the other students were failing to support them.

Will you and I also libel our College after we leave it because we failed to support the literary and dramatic activities in an effort to place them on the plane they should occupy in an institution of higher learning? Let us not fail to support the Senior Play. It is the result of no small effort on the part of those who are taking part.

THE BOAT LEAKS.

At the last meeting of the student body President Bizzell informed us that no student would be allowed to make a note next fall. This means a great deal, both to the school and to the students of the school. It not only means that the school will quit allowing credit to the students who cannot pay all dues at the first of the year, but also that the faith of the directors of the school in us has been shaken if not destroyed.

But it means more to some students. It means that many new students will not be able to enter next fall. To the students that have depended entirely on this system of borrowing money from the school it means that they must stay out of school or borrow money elsewhere at a high rate of interest, and that is not always possible. It means that the boys, whose fathers cannot raise all the money needed in the early fall, will have to borrow elsewhere if possible. It means, also, that the students have not lived up to their promises, because the College would not stop the present method if all notes were paid. Although we believe that President Bizzell made his decision too early because many notes will be paid before school is out, it remains that either the decision must be changed before the next term, or many boys who have worked and repayed all that they borrowed will be missing next fall. Can the student body afford to let the directors lose faith in it? Can the directors refuse to help a boy who needs help?

COMMENCEMENT

The gloomiest time in four years of college is graduation week. Seniors may think they feel sad at leaving their chums, or they may pretend to be "blue" at prospect of spending the whole of class day piloting cousins and aunts over the campus.

Yet their real reason for feeling depressed ought to be the thought of what happens after commencement. That event is well named, for the college graduate does "start at the bottom" whether or not he deserves it. Armed with expert knowledge of facts and of how to work and think, the senior finds his college course has omitted one important subject—"the rules of the game" in the outside world.

These rules are different. College makes ideals; business makes money. In college honor is a prime quality; business, too, has morals, but they are a specialized brand.

Business needs the principles of the campus, and every new graduate can serve the world by sticking to the ideals of his "alma mater."

—College Comics.

We have long prided ourselves on the democratic spirit which has been prevalent at A. and M. Although we have many wealthy students at our college, their wealth alone brings them no added prestige or social standing over the lads who are paying their way through college by the sweat of their brows. The reputation for such a democracy as this has brought us, in gen-

eral, a very desirable group of students—boys who are willing to make real sacrifices in order to secure a college education. You see them every day, working consistently at off hours, and studying until late at night to keep up with their courses. Of course, we may never produce any Abraham Lincolns here; but we have a right to pride ourselves in the fact that we have a serious-minded, hard-working group of students. If you are one of them, you may well feel proud. If you are not, then help those who are by making everything as easy as possible for them, for such a life, at best, is none too full of pleasure.

ATTENTION!

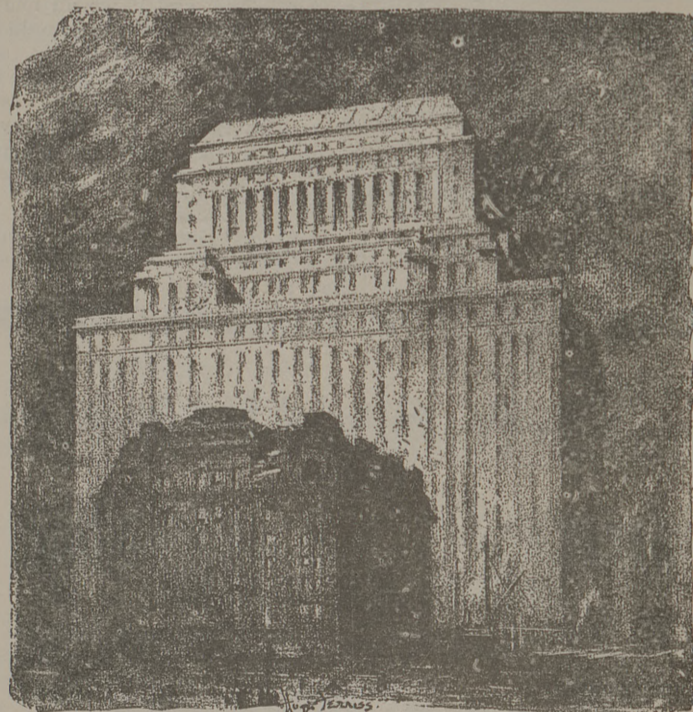
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