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**WHY GO TO COLLEGE!**

The high school senior, standing at the close of ten years or more in school, and impatient for a plunge into the business world, may feel that four years more is a long time to spend in preparation before entering the struggle of life. Is this expenditure of time worth while?

On the debit side of the account he will put four years of time and more or less money, depending upon the school he chooses.

On the credit side, he will set first a scientific knowledge of his chosen profession far more thorough than could be had by serving an apprenticeship in some busy office, where the tollers have neither time nor perhaps inclination to instruct beginners. Next comes high ideals, taught by men trained to responsibility.

In the third place he will get out of a higher education a broader appreciation and keener enjoyment of life. Other things than money-grubbing go to make up the world; these other things he will find at his chosen school.

And another item that cannot be neglected includes the friendships that without going to college, of course, he will make. Friends he will make but they will be confined chiefly to his immediate vicinity. The friends he makes at school will bring him different points of view and new ideas, and moreover, they will be made up of the young men and women whose ambition and foresight will make them the leaders of his generation.

How does the account balance?

**INITIATIVE.**

The world rewards the man who has the foresight to traverse new paths and practice better economies. The successful man must shun the distractions on which others exhaust interest and energy. While they are enjoying the carnival of worldly amusement, he must keep his eye to the tatters that will lift him to supremacy.

Likewise, the student who would win the honors of Phi Beta Kappa must often absent himself from the games of his fellow students. Many an able student misses the prizes of college life that are taken by the men of less ability who were alert to seize opportunity. A few days ago, a student remarked that if he had only thought about preparing in time he felt sure he could have won honors for himself and the University against another institution. But he forgot, or rather, he did not have the initiative at the proper time.

It can safely be said that almost every one is afflicted with natural inertia. Our task is to fight against this inertia. A well-known magazine writer says that each time she begins to write, she is tempted to delay the work for some worthless or trifling interest other than the thing in hand. To succeed, she has to take herself, as it were, by the nape of the neck and force herself to perform the ordinary tasks. Nearly all of us have similar experiences.

The tendency to procrastinate is the thief that steals the opportunity to make the most of ourselves.

**DR. ARNOLD GENTHE.**

It has long been the aim of photographers to discover a method of color photography. Every great photographer has devoted thought to this accomplishment. But until recently all efforts have been in vain.

It remained for a young German scholar, Dr. Arnold Genthe, finally to perfect this invention. And now we have real color photography. In the May number of the American Magazine Will Irwin gives us a picture of Doctor Genthe, the man. Mr. Irwin's

pen gives color even to the description.

Doctor Genthe has genius for at least half a dozen professions. But seeing a new work to be done in photography, he chose that. He mastered ordinary photography and then began the work of creation. His labors took him to foreign lands. Returning to New York, he began the work which resulted in the discovery of the long-sought secret of color photography. Thus again we see the example of a genius who chose an humble work is room for brains and enthusiasm in and wrought great achievement. There any profession.

**GARDENING.**

The time for garden making is here. Many have already planted their plots of radishes, lettuce, onions, peas and beans for the table. Almost anywhere in city lot and small-town back yard the fresh, moist earth is being tilled. The traditional and happy harbinger of spring has ever been the first call to the garden.

This is as it should be. Gardening should be encouraged more and more as a healthful pastime and a profitable avocation. Especially should gardening claim a greater interest among dwellers in the city. The back yard which often serves as a junk pile can be transformed into a health giving, beautiful and profitable garden plot.

City dwellers too often fail to realize the possibilities in a few square feet of unused ground. Years of isolation from farm life and the habit of buying everything ready produced has blunted the sense of efficient husbandry.

This fact may be illustrated by contrasting city ideals with those of country people who move to the city. The housewife on the farm has always grown her own garden. When she moves to the city she immediately begins to spade up the back yard that never knew cultivation before and plants her vegetables. The city neighbors of one woman who did this looked on her work with varied comment and criticism. But during the first season, while the city people were buying from the huckster, she not only supplied her table from the back yard garden but had vegetables to offer to her neighbors. The next year those neighbors began to follow her example and since then the back yards along that street have gradually been made into gardens.

This was in a large city. But many people in Columbia can profit by this example. Every year much vacant ground here is allowed to go to waste. We should practice intensive gardening. Englishmen visiting this country are astonished at our waste of resources. England, although small, supports a tremendously large population. It is a great gardening country. We should take a lesson from its intensive methods. If all the available ground in Columbia were utilized this year for gardening it would mean a net gain of thousands of dollars to the people.

*Told of J. West Goodwin*

Colonel J. West Goodwin was covering the legislature for his morning paper, the Sedalia Bazoo, in the early eighties when a bill was passed to give "trusties" of the penitentiary certain liberties in walking about the streets of Jefferson City. It was a hot summer day and he wore a seersucker suit. He was beaver-baitless. On his way to dinner at the Madison House he overheard a long-whiskered farmer say of him: "That trusty law took effect purty fast. There goes one of them pesky critters now."

"Not so long before Colonel Goodwin got the contract to print timetables for the Missouri Pacific and Katy railroads," said John M. McDermott of the Globe-Democrat staff, "and came to occupy a three-story publishing house, he had a tiny one-room shop. When the printers went on a strike in Louisville, Ky., he had walked across states to Sedalia and opened this shop. He said when he moved to larger quarters, one dray held all the presses and printing material, and he walked behind to carry the office lamp."

"No heads were written on telegraph stories on the Bazoo," mused McDermott. "The flimsy, in skeleton form, was filled in by the printers at the case. Each printer after finish-

ing the story set up a suitable head in the stick. Five girls were among the typesetters who turned tricks at composing heads. Many stock heads, all alliterative, were kept in type and picked up nightly. 'Personal Pencillings' was one. A more pretentious one, in two decks, ran: 'Criminal Calendar. Devilish Deeds of Death and Destruction Done by Demoniack Demons.' 'The motto of the Bazoo was: 'A paper printed for the people now on earth and read everywhere that church spires point upward.' O. E. Riley.

**MISSOURI NOTES**

"A Warrensburg creamery company made a rich strike a few days ago," according to the Nevada Evening Post. "In sinking a deep well, the drill passed through a bed of shale, through which a flow of water came which much resembled fresh buttermilk. If it can be substituted for buttermilk it is likely to prove very profitable to a creamery."

Speaking of "putting up a bold front," the Maryville Democrat-Forum says that in the city hall building, which is being remodeled, a new front will be put in, as the old one is about ready to fall.

The Hannibal Courier-Post mourns the fact that "while our missionaries were busy in India yesterday, a new pool room was opened o'er th' barber shop."

A woman in Warrensburg recently performed the grave surgical operation of removing a top spindle from her throat after it had been lodged there ten years. She removed the obstruction with a hairpin after being told by physicians that she would have to undergo a painful operation. "This bears out the theory," says the Nevada Evening Post, "that a woman can do anything with a hairpin."

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