

Writes and Re-Writes

By William Stetson

A girl should be chased and also chased.

Mary a negative girl has been developed in a dark room.

Etiquette Note: Do not break your bread or roll in your soup.

Obeys the Bible and turns the other cheek. You probably deserved to be slapped.

We learn by doing—and by being done.

A fool and his honey are soon parted.

When one drives with his right hand he should be sure it is the right one.

Etiquette demands that a napkin be only partially unfolded on one's lap. But a napkin was invented for protection and not for politeness.

A girl who picks out a model should be sure he is a working model.

To get a chance to get ahead, give your head a chance.

Some of the Mercer boys just love to dance, and others just dance to love.

Convention Action Regarding Mercer

(Continued From Page 1) sion of the university was held during the convention, but no announcement was made as to any action taken by it.

The Cluster secured from Dr. Dowell copies of the letters of acceptance of Gordon S. Rentschler and Eugene Stetson newly appointed members of the endowment commission.

Letters Are Given The letters are given below:

National City Bank of New York Office of the President. November 14, 1936.

Dear Dr. Dowell: I acknowledge your letter of November 10 advising me of my appointment to the Endowment Commission of Mercer University. I am delighted to have the opportunity to serve.

With kindest regards, I am, Ever sincerely, Gordon S. Rentschler.

Guaranty Trust Company of New York November 12, 1936

My dear Doctor Dowell: I acknowledge receipt of your valued favor of November 10th, formally notifying me of my election as a member of the Endowment Commission of Mercer University. I note that my election is for a seven-year term.

I assure you that I am very glad indeed to be of any assistance possible to Mercer and hope that I shall be able to serve on this commission in a real constructive way.

Sincerely yours, E. W. Stetson.

The most densely populated body of land in the world is Java, with a population of 600 persons per square mile.

President's Opinion Of Action of Convention

(Continued From Page 1) my connection with the institution but along with it the finest exhibition of institutional spirit. The annual session of the Baptist

state convention which met earlier in the week brought together ministers and laymen from all over Georgia and Christian education was given an emphasis that all friends of Mercer should understand. In this connection, it must be remembered that the financial stringency and depression have reduced the convention income and made retrenchment necessary. To many, therefore, who did not understand the significance of certain existing legal and moral obligations, it seemed that the schools might properly share in the loss of income in accepting a corresponding reduction.

After full and frank discussions, however, the impossibility of reduction at the present time without disaster and without the repudiation of legal and moral obligations was made clear and a majority vote recorded in favor of the payment of the full debenture obligation for the current year and the assurance of its payment for another year.

In keeping with this assurance and the desire to cooperate wholeheartedly with the convention in trying to take care of the many interests in a worthy way, a resolution was adopted to the effect that the schools and all other interests should endeavor in systematic and organized fashion to help raise a portion of the allocation for the coming year, with the proviso that after another year the Convention should be relieved of responsibility for certain allocations including the schools; with the further proviso that in the event this could not be done without injury it would not be required.

Now there was a division of opinion even about the wisdom of such a compromise but in view of the critical financial situation and the steps already taken for the strengthening of the resources of Mercer, there is every ground for encouragement and for heroic effort on the part of all friends of the institution.

The action of the Baptist state convention in Thomasville in 1928 in creating the debenture income for the schools and in authorizing a Centennial campaign to bring the Mercer endowment up to two million dollars, the action of the convention at Gainesville in 1929 in confirming the action of the preceding year, in raising a Cen-

tennial endowment committee of fourteen and in granting a new charter, commits the denomination to a program of hearty cooperation, makes possible the leadership and interest of distinguished laymen of affairs outside as well as within the denomination and provides the most approved machinery for organization and administration.

The next step in the program for the advancement of the interests of Mercer is the coordination of program and of effort on the part of the Endowment Commission created under the new charter, the Centennial endowment committee raised by the Convention and the committee on development of the university created in accordance with the new by-laws under the new charter. The reorganization of the board of trustees has been made, the personnel of the Endowment Commission has been completed and between now and 1933 wise and constructive plans will go forward for the strengthening in a large way of the resources and facilities of Mercer University.

It is plain that every member of the Mercer family, more particularly the student body and faculty, have a wonderful opportunity during the next two or three years to aid and promote both in collective and in individual fashion what we may well believe will be a state-wide and a nation-wide undertaking to guarantee that Mercer University shall enter upon a new century in a way that will be worthy of the century now drawing to a close.

An Alumnus' View of The Recent Baptist Convention

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2. Together with certain other resolutions, must her force be applied to help raise the specified allocation, even being charged largely with responsibility to procure sixty per cent of it.

3. Notice was given that on January 1, 1932 must Mercer go off the Convention's cooperative budget, except a worthy amount for ministerial education, provided the next session does not reverse this decision.

4. The Convention has voted a campaign, and the organizational personnel to attempt its raising, to go ahead to procure \$1,500,000 en-

dowment for Mercer, by 1933 if possible, for a worthy celebration of the university's centennial—but the organized effort is to be delayed for a time because of present widespread financial depression.

5. The denomination's leadership has at least acknowledged inability adequately to care for Mercer through the cooperative budget, and manifests willingness and readiness to make wholesome terms with "outside" friends and interests that may respond, toward a program of financial stabilization and enlargement.

6. The board of trustees and the holding commission openly and readily pledged themselves to endeavor to meet every overture of these potent friends and their colleagues, and within a short time it is expected that several more financiers and capitalists of eminent ability will be enlisted in the program for our university's adequate security and endowment.

7. As this movement materializes, this writer believes (along with the expressed opinion of numbers of others) that the certain effect will be the ultimate reaching of scores of our Georgia Baptist men of wealth, heretofore uninterested and unenlisted.

In the light of this "summing up" while many of us grieve at our denomination's inadequacy, yet there are those of us who sense the opening of avenues for future emancipation, and the attachment of friends and forces of great power, influence and ability. May a great Providence lead to that consummation.

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