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WILLARD CLUTCHMYER

Another Term At Tatnall Tech

Oh gala, festive registration day when students flock to the Tatnall Tech campi from far and exotic Georgia towns and communities such as Arp, Abba, Dewey Rose, Talapoosa, Wrens, Bessie, Cobbtown, Doubloran, Bio, Hush, Dracula, Help, Parkers Store, Chula, Panthersville, and Virgin.

It is wonderful to be back. I had an enjoyable summer, working most of the time on my hobby which is teaching dance steps of Swahili tribal rites to handicapped blacksmiths. My friend and fellow-traveler Maynard Grunch also returned to school. Maynard manages to eke out a bare living selling registration schedules and Cluster subscriptions to freshmen.

Two sophomores were engaged in a heated argument over whether the food was worse in the Co-op or the dining hall. The one arguing for the dining hall seemed to be convincing his friend as he attempted to strengthen his argument by thrashing him about the face and head with a blunt instrument.

Over in one corner of the Co-op two fraternity men were holding a new student as one of their brothers attempted to attach a pledge pin to the thrashing frosh's mauve and heliotrope corduroy shirt. Two eds were being questioned by the local police in connection with a bomb scare at Wesleyan.

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I and I came upon some of his friends and Maynard, being st amigo that's Spanish for friend), graciously introduced Villard Clutchmyer, he said. "Willard is quite a politician own," he continued, winking at his companion. "Ran for won by a landslide!" Enjoying this he added cleverly, him that face but he picked his nose himself!!" Laughing this last remark he fell around the Co-op repeating the and over to others who joined him in pelting me with per cups, etc. as they pointed me out to their friends. Merriment laughing also and enjoying my obvious popu- njoyed this great sport until a member of the Honor Coun- take Maynard to his weekly trial. They caught him looking e else's cards during registration.

Maynard left I went to my favorite secluded spot on the tyr's Rock. This stone marks the common grave of some classmen executed in 1959 for setting fire to the Assistant Dean Simon L. Thwartall, who had handed down an edict prohibiting saks at Mercer ball games. Thwartall, author of Professors And How They Got That Way is nized by almost all Mercer historians as the school's most tyran- despot. In 1957 while questioning a group of freshmen involved the senseless stoning of an elderly dietician with stale rolls, the un- st dean said that no one would be permitted to leave Sherwood until the culprits were identified. To this one frosh shouted, "GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH!!!" "Who said that???" screamed the outraged dean. "Patrick Henry," replied a second-year law stu- dent. The law student was never seen again.

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Stray Sayings

Dancing is the only virtue which the Baptists consider a vice.

Age, led by its infirmities, demands youth, led by its instincts, to act decently.

Compulsory Chapel is one of the few conditions under which one person is allowed to speak for thirty minutes to a thousand people about a subject in which no one but the speaker is interested.

Those who take a statement too literally should think twice. The well known statement, for instance, "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing" does not mean one should keep one's books under lock and key. (Nevertheless, the Mercer Library considers safety first.)

National sororities and fraternities were founded when it was noted that the socially handicapped were not being overtly discriminated against.

Lasting grievances are the steadiest assurances, against the breakup of competitive societies.

Professors would like to seem as wise as the men from whom they borrow their ideas, but usually have to settle for being only slightly wiser than those to whom they impart those ideas. The sharing of wisdom (unless, of course, the

wisdom is original with the sharer) involves loss of status.

Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow you may die. If tomorrow is the day after one has been eating, drinking, and merry-making, one doesn't really want to live.

The value of a higher education is no greater than the price it costs. (The path to wisdom is no an easy one to follow nor, if one persists in following it, is the road to wealth.)

Freshmen should take the advice of upperclassmen with a grain of salt. Their seniority, not the knowledge rules their glib tongues.

It is far better to hate thy neighbor than love him. It involves more passion.

Homesickness (a common disease among Freshmen) is caused by being unable to stomach one's surroundings, not by a melancholy longing for one's home.

Tips To Frosh

1. Bring the professor newspaper clipping dealing with his subject. If you can't find clippings dealing with his subject, bring in clippings at random. He thinks everything deals with his subject.
2. Look alert. Take notes eagerly. If you look at your watch, don't stare at it unbelievably as if you were shaking it.
3. Nod frequently and murmur "how true." To you, this seems exaggerated. To him, it's quite objective.
4. Sit in front, near him. (Applies only if you intend to stay awake.)
5. Laugh at his jokes. You can tell if he looks up from his notes and smiles expectantly, he has told a joke.
6. Ask for outside reading. You don't have to read it. Just ask for it.
7. If you must sleep, arrange to be called at the end of the hour. It is bad if you sit there alone after the class left.
8. Be sure the book you read during the lecture looks like a book from the course.



Dean's List . . .

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Jacksonville, Fla., and Mimi Anne Stieglitz, sophomore from Silver Springs, Maryland.

Two students, Brewer and Mash, attained an "A" average in all academic courses.

Dean Robert H. Spiro in recognition of the students' high academic achievement wrote to them in part: "Congratulations on your fine academic achievement during the summer quarter. You have excelled in the very realm which is fundamental to the purpose for which the University was founded. I wish you continuing success and happiness."

This summer marked the first time in recent years that a Dean's List had been drawn up for summer students.

Fulbright Grants Now Available

U. S. Government scholarships for graduate study or research abroad are available for the 1963-64 academic year, under the Fulbright-Hays Act. The grants, administered by the Institute of International Education, provide round-trip transportation, tuition and maintenance for one academic year in any one of 46 countries throughout the world.

In addition, Travel-Only grants, which supplement a scholarship awarded by a foreign university, government or private donor, are available to any one of seven participating countries.

General eligibility requirements are: U. S. citizenship, a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent in professional training, language ability commensurate with the demands of the proposed study project, and good health. Preference is given to applicants under 35 years of age.

Application forms and detailed information for students currently enrolled in Mercer University may be obtained from the campus Fulbright Advisor, Dean Spiro. Individual department heads also have lists of countries offering opportunities in particular fields.

TIRED REMARKS

Remarks a freshmen gets tired of hearing:
"In your hands lies the future of the world and you must prepare for the role of leadership which you are to play."
"Now you take this card, see, and write your name . . ."
"Freshman, where's your bean- ie?"
"For many of you, this will be your first . . ."

"You will find these days to be the best days of your life . . ."
"Participate in all you can. This you realize college's full meaning."
"Confine your extra-curricular attitude rigidly."
"No, you can't take Marriages and Home 106 in your freshman year."
"The library is the big white building."

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