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A Depression College - There's An Idea.

From Port Royal, Va., and Charleston, W.Va., come stories of the birth and growth of a new idea - the depression college - the first one a proposal, the second an accomplished fact. Port Royal, the proposed college, offers board, room and tuition for \$250 a year; Kanawha has started operations on a tuition charge of fifty cents a day. Port Royal offers unemployed Ph.D.s board and room in exchange for services.

The interesting thing about these items is that they are the only novelty in education we have seen offered this fall - the only new experimental colleges. In the days of old, when the fifty-million-dollar endowments were yielding a fat return, the editor of the squirrel page in the newspapers had an easy time of it when the colleges were opening. His only difficulty was to find the nuttiest propositions offered by the publicity departments of the bilgewater universities of the trial-and-error belt.

We have looked in vain for any announcement of courses in goldfish mentality, for any proposal of mass-education for chimpanzees, for any new housing plan for underprivileged coeds.

Is the depression giving American culture a set-back? We hope so. We hope to see it set so far back that it will find itself on the main line again. As Brownson once said, "everyone knows that the great poets, the great artists, have never flourished, save in epochs and countries marked by severe discipline, and ennobled by serious and solid studies." Our country has been marked by severe dissipation instead of severe discipline; perhaps the depression will bring back the severe mental discipline that will foster serious study... along correct lines. The deflation of Materialism is full of blessings for the spirit.

The Rockne Memorial in Dillon Hall.

It was not until the end of last schoolyear that the shrine of St. Olaf, in the Dillon Hall chapel, was completed, and dedicated to the memory of Knute K. Rockne; consequently, few students outside of those living in Dillon Hall have seen it.

The shrine consists of an altar, donated by the students of 1931, and a marble statue of St. Olaf, the gift of Mrs. Rockne and her children. The Knights of Columbus completed the shrine by furnishing the candlesticks and crucifix and the commemorative plaque. The New Jersey Club contributed a set of chimes. The marble altar and statue were imported from Italy; the statue shows excellent treatment of colored marbles.

Now and then when you pass Dillon Hall drop in at this shrine and say a prayer for the repose of the soul of football's greatest leader - the Notre Dame coach whose untimely passing caused a whole nation to shed manly tears. And say a prayer to Saint Olaf, who brought the faith to Norway, that his countrymen will follow Knute Rockne's footsteps back into Mother Church.

Tomorrow's Mission Mass.

The intention announced for the Mission Mass tomorrow is the repose of the soul of Jerry DuWan, who was killed by an auto on the Miles Road at the close of school last year. Upperclassmen are requested to offer Holy Communion for the same intention tomorrow morning. Jerry was widely known and universally loved by the students, and his many friends will welcome this opportunity to show him their Catholic esteem.

PRAYERS: Deceased - Osoar Lavcry, '25; Jos. D. Clark's father; Thos. W. Oakes' grandmother. Eugene Coyne, of Sorin Hall, underwent an operation for appendicitis Saturday.