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yet with its future all before it.

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## MEMOS

**T**HE publication of the new Rollins College Catalog shows the total enrollment in all departments for the present academic year has been 409 as against 327 last year. Twenty-four states are represented in the student body. Each year Rollins attracts students from an increasing number of states.



The enrollment of students for the Freshman class next fall exceeded on May first the number enrolled on September fifteenth last year. Adequate housing of the increasing student body is fast becoming a serious problem.



The Rollins Crew, under the leadership of Coach Chase, won a victory over the Asheville School, at Asheville, N. C., on April 28. It was a four-oar race over a half mile track. The Rollins Crew recently gave an exhibition race at Palm Beach.

## ADVANTAGES OF SMALL COLLEGE

**A**NDREW CARNEGIE once said: "I have been looking largely into small colleges of late, I think a young man who goes into a small college receives a better education than in a large one." *Why should this be so?*

1. *Students and Professors meet.* Students come into direct personal contact with the heads of departments, men of maturity, experience and professional standing.

2. *Class Friendships are built up.* One of the greatest benefits of college life is class friendships with a select group of young people. There is no friendship gained anywhere equal to that created on the small college campus.

3. *Opportunity for Leadership.* The small college has about the same outfit of societies, classes, movements, etc., as are found in the big college. All of these call for *leaders* and offer opportunities much more numerous, according to the number of students, than would be found in a great university.

4. *Special Abilities are Stimulated.* A student's *unusual ability* or genius can be discovered and cultivated under more personal attention by professors in the small, well equipped college.

5. *Gives Broader Training.* The small college usually requires the student to take more lines of study so that he comes out with a broader education and is ready for a more effective citizenship, prepared to go into professional study or practical life.

6. *Religious and Moral Idealism is Stimulated.* The small colleges can have a spirit, an ideal, which may catch up and dominate the individual, leading him to a higher and fuller development in every way.

## FACULTY SUMMER ENGAGEMENTS

**S**EVERAL members of the Rollins faculty have been invited to give courses at the summer sessions of some of the leading colleges and universities in the country.

*Dr. George E. Carrothers*, Dean of Rollins, has again been engaged to give two courses in Education at the University of Michigan.

*Dr. Leland H. Jenks*, Professor of History at Rollins, will give three courses in History at the summer session of the University of Missouri.

*Professor James M. Glass*, Professor of Secondary Education at Rollins, will give a six weeks' course at the University of Iowa, and a second six weeks' course at the University of Wyoming.

*Dr. Thomas Pierce Bailey*, Professor of Philosophy at Rollins, will teach Psychology at the Asheville, N. C., State Normal School.

*Maude C. Carlson*, Assistant Librarian at Rollins, will act as assistant librarian at the University of Michigan during the summer.

*Dr. J. C. Th. Uphof*, Professor of Biology at Rollins, has been engaged by the Tropical Plants Foundation of Washington, D. C., to translate this summer several important Botanical works from the Dutch into English.

*Professor Edwin O. Grover*, Professor of Books at Rollins, will give a course on the "History of the Book" at the Bread Loaf School of English, famous as the English division of the Summer session of Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt.

## WANTED, A NEW KIND OF COLLEGE

*From an Editorial in "The New Yorker"*

WITH calm, regretful eyes we have watched our colleges and universities become overcrowded to the point of embarrassment. Columbia recently reported a total registration of thirty-six thousand "despite all efforts to keep down the number of those admitted."

Virtually every seat of higher learning has been pushed toward a policy of expansion—freshmen storming the portals, football keeping the alumni amused, endowment committees keeping the public informed as to the increasing monetary needs of alma mater. At regular intervals assurance is broadcast that the quality of alma mater's product has not deteriorated. Our belief is that it hasn't; but we also look forward to an entirely new kind of college in this country—for which there is already a place. The large and Grand-Central-Terminal kind of institution, with its immense laboratories, dormitories, stadia, and money-raising committees, is adequate for the specialized training of engineers, doctors, and chemists. We doubt if it is ideal for the enlightenment of Arts students, who depend for their improvement upon the inspiration of their teachers.

It all sounds Utopian, but we believe there will soon be small schools bathed in a sort of Greek serenity, devoid of examinations, degrees, three-year eligibility rules—schools whose professors, permanently and magnificently endowed, will teach whoever comes to the classroom at the appointed hour and sits down. Why, if one such school were founded, it would be overcrowded within a week.

## WHY GO TO COLLEGE?

TO BE at home in all lands and all ages; to count nature a familiar acquaintance and art an intimate friend; to carry the key to the world's library in your pocket, and feel its resources behind you in whatever task you undertake; to make friends among men of your own age who are to be leaders in all walks of life; to lose oneself in generous enthusiasm and co-operate with others for common ends; to learn manners from students who are gentlemen and form character under professors who are Christian—these are the returns of a college for the best four years of one's life.—*President Hyde of Bowdoin College.*

“Less than *one percent* of American men are college graduates. Yet out of this *one percent* have come:

55% of our Presidents,  
36% of the Members of Congress,  
47% of Speakers of the House,  
56% of the Vice-Presidents,  
62% of the Secretaries of State,  
50% of the Secretaries of the Treasury,  
69% of the Justices of the Supreme Court.”

“I am in no way untrue to State Institutions when I say that in our day a boy might become a Bachelor or Master of Arts in almost any one of the best of them, and be as ignorant of the Bible, the moral and spiritual truth which it represents and the fundamental principles of religion, their nature and value to society, as if he had been educated in a non-Christian country. Who is to supply this lack if not the Christian college?”—*President Thompson of Ohio State University.*

Rollins is, and aims to be, a small, liberal Christian college.

## WHY I BELIEVE IN GOD

**D**R. CHARLES A. CAMPBELL, Professor of Bible at Rollins College, recently asked the members of his class in Old Testament to put down anonymously their answers to the question "Why I believe in God." A few of their answers follow:

"I believe in God. I require no proof of his existence, yet I find such proof each hour of the day or night. I find it in the faces of the men and women about me; in the sacrifices they make for each other. I have faith that the sun will rise and set tomorrow, as it did yesterday and today. Thus I have faith in the law and order behind all nature, and to me this is God. I am closest to God when I am with the trees or with *real* people. I believe that the true approach to the Divinity is through humanity, and that the way to get to Heaven is to take it with you. Yes, I believe in God, and so I believe in Man, and as I believe in Man, I find all life good."



"I am, therefore God is! There has never been a creation without a creator. I see the fulfillment of His word daily in the lives of men and the span of nations. "Prayer could not be answered unless someone could hear. My prayers and the prayers of others have often been answered, even concretely.

"I believe in a personal God because I know that nothing, scientifically, ever just happened. There could not be an evolution unless there was first an involution."



"For me, there would be nothing to live for, there would be no inducement to strive on if I did not believe there was a Supreme Being.

"I look to God as a friend, a guiding, helping father, whom I can turn to in time of trouble and receive help, and to whom I can give thanks for all my joys.

"It seems foolish that I should question that there is a God when for generations men of the highest intellect and noblest characters have been firm believers in God."



"I believe in God because I know that there is a supreme power over all. There must be one who directs and moves the universe, otherwise there would be chaos. I also believe in God because there is something within me which is ever looking to Someone higher and better, for guidance.



*A recent canvass showed that all the members of the Faculty of Rollins College and 79% of the student body were members of some organized church.*

## ROLLINS STUDENTS WIN PRIZES

**T**HE Allied Arts Society of Winter Park of which Mr. Irving Bacheller is president, and the Poetry Society of Florida of which Jessie B. Rittenhouse is president, held a joint meeting on April 25 at which the prizes of the season were awarded.

The \$100.00 Ponce de Leon prize offered by the Poetry Society of Florida, was won by Halle W. Warlow with a sonnet entitled "Dawn in the Everglades." The author was a student in the Poetry Seminar taught during the winter term at Rollins by Clinton Scollard and Jessie B. Rittenhouse. The Judges were Lady Leonora Speyer, Margaret Widdemer and Professor Curtis Hidden Page, President of the Poetry Society of America. The second place was won by Stella Weston, a Junior at Rollins, with a poem, "A Girl in Church."

The Quill Drivers prize of \$35.00 for the best short story was won by Stella Weston with a child's story, "The One-Who-Got-Spanked." The second prize of \$15.00 was won by Hazel Sawyer, a Senior at Rollins, with the story, "The Dictator."

The first prize of \$25.00 for the best oil painting was won by Hugh McKean, a Sophomore in Rollins. The prize of \$15.00 for the best monotone went to Sara Ethel Greene, a Junior at Rollins.

The first prize for the best play was won by Marguerite Atterbury, a student in the department of Drama at Rollins.

## STATE AQUATIC MEET

**T**HE Ninth Annual Interscholastic Aquatic Meet was held April 28 over the water course adjacent to the Rollins College Campus. An unusually large crowd was in attendance, twenty-nine Florida High Schools were represented and six state records were broken.

The team from Miami Beach High School won the state championship for girls in the morning with a total of forty-two points, breaking four state records in the process.

In the afternoon the team from the St. Petersburg High School won the state championship for boys with a total of twenty-three points. Two additional state records were broken.

Desjardins, the national champion fancy diver and Weismueller, the world's fastest swimmer, gave remarkable exhibition performances of swimming and diving.

The sponsoring of this State High School Aquatic Meet by Rollins College is part of the program for making Rollins known as the outdoor college of America. With a half mile of campus frontage on beautiful Lake Virginia, which is connected by canals with a chain of three other lakes, Rollins has a delightful and unique setting.

The College Catalogue and Illustrated Booklet on Winter Park will be sent by the Registrar on request.

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