

President Wright, Chapel

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I want to say just a word now about getting busy and attending to college duties. You young women are here primarily for what you are going to get out of your classroom work, and that means for you to attend classes promptly. When the bell rings for classroom work to begin, if you are not across the door strip of your room, you are late. When the bell rings at the end of the period, you get up and leave right then, because you are held responsible for the next period. Your classroom work ends when the bell rings. We will try to keep those bells from ringing like they have this morning. I don't know why the bells are ringing twice when they are supposed to ring once. That is the rule of this college, the ringing of the bell begins the period and the ringing of the bell ends the period. Your work ends when the bell rings and your work begins when the bell rings. Our motto is "To Serve". Our second motto is "On Time Every Time", and the two put together make the slogan of this college - "To Serve On Time Every Time". It is just as easy to be in your place of duty on time as it is to go there late. If you will put into effect all I have just told you, - get up and go when the bell rings and be there when the next bell rings - you will have no trouble, and it is a good rule to follow in life.

You are supposed to attend chapel and we are going to assign seats and check up on you and it will go against your record if you are not here. We are going to keep up with it this year. I think it ought not to be necessary for me to say that you are supposed to pay attention to what goes on in chapel and you are not to come here to stay until the girls take your names and then leave the hall. Of course, if you are sick, if it is necessary, we expect you to leave, but that only happens once in a while.

The person who cannot conform to the simple regulations that a college like this puts into effect is not a desirable student and I want to tell you this morning, right at the beginning, if you are not willing to conform to the few rules that we have, the best thing for you and for the college is for you to come in and get your withdrawal slip.

Get busy and keep up with your college duties.