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CHAPEL December 10, 1930

-- President Wright

Scripture lesson: 73rd Psalm - Verses 13-28

I have recently received this communication from the Budget Bureau, dated December 6: "Institutions operating in part on own receipts (allotment deposits) should give close and vigorous attention to collections." The state of North Carolina found it necessary to cut its appropriations made to state institutions 20% this year. This means that ^{the} colleges can barely live. We charge students \$80.00 per quarter. You pay \$65.00. \$5.00 of this goes to Student Fees for entertainment, etc. The college gets \$80.00. This takes care of your room, light, heat, board, laundry, medical attention and rental of textbooks; and this means that we will have to collect this money if we continue to feed you and furnish textbooks, laundry, etc. I find that a number of students have not paid or made the necessary arrangements for the fall term. I hate to tell you this, girls, but we have to have the money or we can't take you next term. I hate to put it like that but we simply cannot operate unless you pay. See the Treasurer if your accounts are not paid--the majority have paid, but some have not--see the Treasurer and if you can't make the necessary arrangements with him write that nice letter to Papa and say "Come across with the money" (I know how that letter goes for I have a boy in college who writes it) and if he cannot or will not furnish the money there is only one other thing for you to do and that is--I hate to say it--drop a note in the Dean of Women or Registrar's box and say "I can't come back after Christmas." There ^{is} a large number ^{of others} who want to come and who are waiting for a chance to come, ~~and~~ we cannot furnish you room, light, heat, board and textbooks for nothing.

I have read you my instructions from the Budget Bureau and I have no option in it. (I know that this is a pretty thing to say just before Christmas, but this is the situation.)

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