

CHAPEL, September 30, 1933

-- President Wright

The organization of this college is the best we know how to make to give you an opportunity to come here and to do the work you are supposed to do at the college. The organization calls for study hour to begin at 7:30. This means that students living off the campus are to leave at that time, with the exception of students who have work to do in the library. When they leave the library they are expected to go immediately to their homes. That is one of the fundamental regulations of the college. Last year we had to close this building because of the abuse of the privilege that had been given to students to come here and study in the classrooms. We found they were not all studying. I made the statement in chapel that I saw no reason why boys and girls who were working in the library shouldn't walk back to the dormitories together, but it developed that it took some of these students forty-five minutes to reach the dormitory where the girl lives, and took her another fifteen minutes to get inside. If this is the way you are going to treat our regulations we may be forced to change them. The front of this building is not a place to make or keep dates. Last year I came over here several times and turned the lights on, and when I walked off they would soon be cut off again. We are not going to put up with that kind of thing this year. We want you to control it, and are giving you a chance to. If you do not, when I say "No" just grin and take your medicine. But that isn't my ideal of the way to build character. I don't want to be forced to throw around you restrictions; you should control the situation yourselves. As Dr. Winstanley use to say, I want the "heartly cooperation of the student body" in this matter.

A good many people seem to think our campus a place to joy ride--automobiles and bicycle. A great many people in the community apparently believe the social life of the college is open to the community. It isn't. I want absolute cooperation on your part to keep these people in their places. If they

want to come on the campus I want you to let them know they are not welcome.  
I would like to get the names of these people; you owe that to your college.

I have said to the community that anyone living in town who wished to do so might use our library. I found that certain individuals came over and studied very regularly in the library--but they were not studying books. We can't have that, and are not going to.

I want you to help me to help you make the most out of this year.