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## THE INWARD PROTEST

Careful study of oneself will in the very nature of things be beneficial. The following article will surely aid in determining the shortcomings of anybody. It is an address given recently in Sunday chapel by Supt. Hall and points the way to high achievement and happiness:

It is said that human beings cannot really be happy who do not believe in their own honesty, and who do not believe they are trying to do the right thing, to be fair, clean and straight. People are so constituted that every departure from the right makes them discontented, unhappy—causes them to lose their self-respect.

When we obey that inward influence which prompts us to do the right thing we invariably feel better, happier, and approve our own action every time. On the contrary we always feel—that inward protest which condemns us every time we disregard it. How much better you feel after you have performed a fine job of work in any of the departments where you are detailed—how much more you think of yourself, how it gives you confidence and self-respect! In fact, it braces you up and aids your whole character. This comes about altogether by following out that inside influence which prompts us to do things right, as they should be done, just as we feel an increase of self-respect when we obey the law of justice, of integrity, within us.

I tell you, students, there is an indescribable sense of satisfaction every time we honestly exert ourselves to do the right thing. Nothing but the best is good enough. How many of you honestly and sincerely exert yourselves every night during the study hour in your rooms to prepare your lesson for the next day? Unless you take care of your time here to get all Chemawa offers you will not have that sense of wholeness so necessary to maintain your self-respect, and without self-respect any boy or girl is indeed in a sorry mental condition. The student who dodges his lessons, cheats during study hour, cannot expect to progress, and every time such ones do cheat they show that their aims are not very high—they are simply drifting and dodging. Remember that nothing but quality in oneself counts.

There is plenty of time here to do everything required of you. So, if you are honest in a desire for an education, now is the time to dig in and form, day by day, the habit of excellence by doing everything as it ought to be done. When you strive with your whole might to do your very best everything looks brighter, your whole attitude toward life is lifted up and your entire nature improves—grows. Don't you think for one minute that you can shirk your work, cheat in your lessons, and maintain your standing among your friends. You will be held back all through your life on account of such laziness and lack of pride in your school achievements. You will be seriously embarrassed and be obliged to accept defeat in every line of work that requires skill, or brains, or thoroughness, all on account of drifting—having no purpose—during your school days, until you deteriorate and sink lower and lower in your standards, with consequent loss of self-respect, a diminished efficiency, a dwarfed nature, all resulting in a stunted and unsuccessful life.

I wish I had the power tonight to arouse every one of you students to the necessity of earnestly and habitually doing the right thing while you are at the age to form proper life habits. Success of the real kind is always in the student who wins success, not in conditions.

No-one becomes great through luck. You get what you pay for, in character, in work, and in energy. There are few really good things which you cannot get if you are willing to pay the price. People fail because they are not willing to work hard enough, to prepare thoroughly enough, in order to be able to accomplish. Do your work, boys and girls, in such a way that you cannot be kept back. Success or failure do not come by accident—you choose them for yourself.

If you imagine the world is going to miss you after you are dead, try going away from your home town for a couple of weeks.

It is not the heartless, listless imitation or reproduction merely, that leads to perfection, but rather perfect mental poise and comprehension that tingles and radiates from every nerve and brain cell that calls forth a sense of satisfaction which leaves nothing further to be desired.