

## Follies of April First.

ORIGIN OF THE CUSTOM TO TRICK BY MIRTHFULNESS—  
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The origin of April Fooling is due to the fact that, during the long days of seclusion in France in 1364 by reason of the long sojourn of the year January 1, instead of April 1, as it had been, those ignorant of the change who sent or expected the New Year gifts on April 1, were joked by their wiser fellow-citizens.

It is certain that in modern times the first traces of April fooling appeared to be noted in France. There the person fooled is called "passeur d'Avril." April fool, either because he swallows the bait like a fish or has the proverbial German's look—gets nothing for his pains. Some hold that the fish go to the bottom of the stream to deposit their eggs on April 1, and he who goes fishing on that day never catches any fish—hence it is worse April 1st.

The custom of April fooling in France has since been taken up by our country.

For instance, it is related that Voltaire, Duke of Saxe-Coburg, and his children made good their escape from their captivity at Nantes through the custom of the day. Disguised as peasants they took, at an early hour of the day, passed through the gates of the city. A woman ran to the guard to give notice to the sentry, "April fool!" cried the soldier; and all the guard, to a man, shouted out "April fool!" The Governor, in whom the story was told as a jest, conceived some suspicion and ordered the fact to be proved; but it was too late, for in the meantime the Duke and his wife were well on their way. The first of April saved them. —[Ex.]

## Follow These Principles.

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Let honesty and fidelity be the governing principle in everything a young man undertakes.

Punctuality, as well as honesty, ought to

be one of the governing principles of life. Make his work as much as possible.

Avoid all debts to anyone and never, on any pretext, misappropriate.

Be sure to mind, but not stingy, never be his generous beyond the means at your disposal.

Be careful not to run in debt beyond the means already earned, and if interested with money, or other valuables, to keep for another, be careful to guard the trust in the matter, with fidelity.

When you earn any money not necessary for immediate use, keep it carefully or deposit it in a bank, or in some place where it will earn an income or at least be kept as a store.

Be prudent, spend no earnings needlessly.

In a word, let honesty, industry, economy, frugality, and good will be all, and keep young, be the governing principles of your life. —[Ex.]

## Monthly Entertainment.

The regular monthly entertainment was given in the Assembly Hall, Wednesday evening April 16, 1922. With a few exceptions the program was well received, and some deserve special mention. The recitation by Elyria Parrish was well received and enjoyed by all. The staging by the pupils of the different divisions was very good. The piano solos by Ethel Parrish and Lottie Lane was excellent, and The Pudding Bowl Journal's report of the Wedding by Perry Johnson and Ernest Brewer was very commendable.

Following was the program:

Room I.		Song
Room III.	Recitation	Louise John
Room II.	"	Two Little Girls
Place 8-9		Ethel Parrish
Sub IV.	Impersonation	Dinah Washington
Room II.		Song
Room IV.	Game	Bliss Rip
Veranda		Lois Smith
Room V.	Recitation	Alycia Parrish
Room VI.		Song
Room VIII.	The Pudding Bowl Journal's	
	Report of the Wedding	
Place 8-10		Lottie Lane