

Tryst

Gerald Mallett '44

Across the fields at evening time
I'll come to you, my dear,
I'll never fail in sun or rain
To let you know I'm near.

Adown the road at sunset time
I'll bring my love, my dear,
I know you're lonely many times,
But not when I am near.

Beside the church at twilight time
I'll watch your grave, my dear,
The birds will sing a hymn for you,
And I will shed a tear.

**Play**

Howard Wight '40

Play, or sport, is considered an important phase of a college man's life. The time devoted to it, in actual participation and in pre-game and post-game conversation, compares favourably with that spent on the most difficult studies on the curriculum. Just what play is, however, and what function it performs in life pose an interesting question.

Three theories attempt to explain the function of play. First is the "surplus-energy" theory of Spencer according to which play is the natural outlet of the surplus energy which has accumulated in the individual. The second is the "practice" theory of Groos, which states that play has a function in the life of the individual as it affords practice and preparation for the more serious activities of life. Third, the "recuperation" theory which regards play as an important activity due to the fact that it affords an opportunity for rest and recuperation. When a person is at play, the mind and the body are given a chance to re-

lax. This rest period gives both mind and body time to refuel, so to speak, in order that they may be able to carry on their normal activities.

From the psychological point of view it is sometimes held that "shamming" or semblance is an essential part of play. This was the view held by the late G. K. Chesterton. This characteristic, however, is not always present.

Perhaps a contrast between play and work will throw some light on the question. The ends of the two activities differ greatly. The end of the play is always the pleasure derived from some activity, whereas the end of work is something beyond the activity itself. In other words, work is not an end in itself, but only a means to an end, while play, on the other hand, since it is undertaken solely for the pleasure it affords the individual, may be considered an end in itself. From this point of view with some people work is play and with others play is work. As a matter of fact, is this not the actual truth?



I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true.

I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live by the light that I have.

I must stand with anybody that stands right, stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong.

—*Abraham Lincoln.*

A happy man or woman is a better thing to find than a five pound note. The entrance of such a person into a room is as if another candle had been lighted.

—*Robert Louis Stevenson.*