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### PARAGRAPHS

Class of '25, welcome to the Alumni Association.

On hundred and twenty-three new members coming into the Association this year swells the total membership to a large figure. With the numbers increasing by leaps and bounds, the question is asked whether the crowd is becoming too cumbersome for the holding of the annual banquet.

Crowds always come whenever a good meal is served, and they enjoy themselves. We favor the annual banquet as long as practicable. If the banquet is ever dispensed with, a social, featured by an intensely interesting program, should be substituted.

If you are off at college, keep in touch with the doings of your town. Don't be a back number when you return home.

None are more welcome at the third annual banquet than students of the High Point college. The establishment of the High Point College is one of the biggest things that ever happened in this city.

Every alumni can sympathize with boys and girls in the local high school. Those of us who experienced handicaps when were in the high school with an enrollment of 300 or 400 can realize the inadequacy of the building this year with an enrollment of 700.

Citizens will decide in an election in May whether they will erect a new high school building and expand the school system generally by voting three quarters of a million dollars bonds.

Every alumni owes it as a moral duty to give his moral support to carry this election.

### WHY HAVE AN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN HIGH POINT?

ARE THERE those who do not believe that High Point needs an alumni association? If there are, let them ask themselves a few questions.

What would life be without friendship? Would they be willing to allow the friendships that they made and maintained during 12 years of their lives, namely, while they were in school to become dormant?

The province of an alumni association is social.

It does not do any particular sort of work; it does not adopt projects, it does not attempt to make money. It is an organization founded on the substantial rock of friendship and needs no project, on business to keep it alive. It is designed to preserve the fellowship and mutual feeling, which might become remote memories but for its existence.

IS THE HIGH POINT Alumni association discharging its duty in this respect? The answer can be neither yes nor no. The association can never fill its full province in preserving and promoting school-made friendships until every alumni of the high school participates.

The association has adopted one of the most effective means of spreading good cheer and cementing the bonds of friendship. Once a year graduates of the high school gather at a banquet. Nothing makes a person more affable than a good meal, augmented, say, by some good music or a witty speech. With his appetite glorified, everything about him suddenly clothes itself in roseate colors, it seems good to be alive.

So the association has played a good card in this regard. However, we want to offer a suggestion. Let's publish an alumni journal, similar to the present one—except better and issued at more frequent intervals. A quarterly bulletin, conveying news of what alumni are doing or what is happening at the Alma Mater, would serve a good place in the plan for fellowship.

In long interim between banquets it would bring alumnus' thoughts together. It would reach those, living away from High Point, who never get an opportunity to attend the annual banquet.

If a suitable organization can be effected, we favor a quarterly alumni news bulletin.

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