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The necessity for the request that the students keep to the paths already made, and avoid spoiling the beauty of the campus by unsightly tracks across it seems to be of annual recurrence. Of course it may take twenty additional steps to go by the paths from the East buildings to the post-office but these twenty steps require not a minute of time while it will require a great deal of time and labor to eradicate beaten paths. We know that this is caused by carelessness and thoughtlessness but it very nearly approaches what the lawyers name criminal negligence and unless the students put a stop to this of themselves, the University authorities will be fully justified in taking whatever action is necessary to prevent injury to the campus. However we do not believe that this will be required as every one will see to it that he does not offend.

We understand that the authorities of the University have adopted a plan which will involve a complete re-arrangement of the courses of study. The scheme briefly is as follows: the college year of thirty-six weeks would be divided into three "quarters" of twelve weeks each, each quarter to be as complete as the present college year, and eleven of the twelve weeks to be devoted to study, the twelfth to the final examinations. The courses now offered for one or two hours a week during the entire nine months would be made respectively three and five hours a week for a twelve month quarter.

Courses of more than two hours would be subdivided so that the work of a single quarter would be complete.

The plan also contemplates a summer quarter in which the regular work counting toward a degree may be done.

The plan as adopted seems to us to offer advantages which will more than counterbalance any inconveniences. In the first place it would permit men more readily "to work their way through college," as it would allow of their taking up work in the fall and winter months, when it is most easily obtained and most lucrative, without being forced to break into the continuous work of a term.

Secondly, through concentration

of effort, it would permit of a much greater amount of work being done in the same length of time. A one-hour-a-week course is at best very unsatisfactory and often almost farcical, as continuity of interest and application is lost. It is far easier and more satisfactory to keep up a course in which the recitations come as often as three times a week. The work of the examination period would also be much easier for the same reason, as well as from the fact that fewer examinations would be necessary. In the term just closed, the writer with twenty recitations per week had nine examinations, whereas by the plan under consideration he would have had but four. And all students know that it is about as difficult to prepare for an examination on a one-hour course as on a three or four-hour course.

These are but a few of the more apparent benefits which would be derived from the proposed change. Of course, there are inconveniences and obstacles, but these seem to us minor. However its advantages and disadvantages can best be brought out by a free discussion and the columns of the *Tar Heel* are thrown open to anyone who may have anything pertinent to say on the subject.

### Texas Letter.

The University of North Carolina,—

Chapel Hill, N. C.

Again we come claiming a few moments of your time, to tell you of ourselves and our doings since our last.

In athletics, of course nothing has been attracting much attention, that is until within the last couple of weeks. About two weeks ago a meeting of the tennis players of the University was called for the purpose of arranging a tournament to be held sometime in the spring, and much was the surprise and gratification of the originators of the scheme at the large number and the enthusiasm of those who attended. It was decided the tournament should be held while the baseball team was on its southern trip and that handsome prizes should be given to the following: Best gentleman in singles; best lady in singles; best team in doubles, gentlemen; best team in doubles, ladies, and best team in doubles, mixed. The eight courts on the campus belonging to the Athletic Association are now crowded every afternoon and the contests promise to be most interesting.

The base-ball players have taken to steady training, on pretty afternoons taking a cross-country run of several miles and every afternoon working in the gymnasium for an hour or more under the direction of the coach. The more we see of the men who are working for the team and the progress they are making, the more are we encouraged to believe that the record of this year's team will be even better than that of last. The men are in earnest and, as I wrote you before, nearly all of last year's team are back.

The six men selected by the Literary societies to contest for positions on the Baylor debate will contest before the Committee within

the next two weeks, and from their number two will be selected to represent the University. The debate takes place in May. Arrangements have been about completed for the Tulane debate which will most probably take place here.

The question of college colors which has been agitating the student body for several years came to a climax about a month since when, at a mass-meeting, it was decided to leave it to a vote of the faculty and students.

The vote was counted the first of this week and, by it, Royal Blue is our University color. President Prather is in receipt of a communication from the Executive Committee of the Alumni, however, in which they, in forcible language, appeal to the faculty and Regents to prevent any change from the old orange and white which have, until the last couple of years, been considered the University colors, though never formally adopted by any body having authority.

The matter may be said to be in abeyance until the Regents take some action.

The idea of organizing a "student's Council" with officers and regular times of meeting for transacting all business and attending to all matters pertaining to the student body as a whole has been suggested and received with considerable favor.

President Alderman left Saturday for Chicago where to-night he delivers the address before the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association on "The Obligations and Opportunities of Scholarship."

At the recent dedication of the War Memorial Tower of the University of Pennsylvania's new Law School Building Wu Ting Fang the Chinese Minister to this country delivered the principal address which the *Pennsylvanian* pronounces scholarly and progressive in sentiment.

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