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All communications for this paper should be in the hands of the Editor-in-Chief by Wednesday at noon to insure publication the same week. We shall be glad to publish pertinent discussions of college topics. The Tar Heel will welcome news items, and hopes the whole college will aid it along this line.

We wish to call the attention of the students to the rules and regulations governing the Library Reading Course Prizes, which we publish in this issue, and to urge them to give this plan the consideration and attention which its importance demands. This is indeed an opportunity which all, who can, should avail themselves of. This scheme has met with the approval of several members of the Faculty of the State Normal College and has, this year, been put into effect at the University of Georgia.

Now, it is useless to urge the importance of reading. Every one is going to read something; every one must read who lays any claims whatever to scholarship and culture, or who wishes to keep himself informed as to current events. But this reading is generally done in a desultory way; yet it has its value and this value is great. How infinitely more valuable it would be if done systematically along well-defined lines with a definite purpose in view. Now, the purpose of this plan, in addition to encouraging and stimulating the reading habit, is to give the student an opportunity of doing this sort of reading. And herein lies the great value of the scheme.

The courses have been marked out by men who know what is the best reading to supplement the work of the regular college course. Yet these courses are so broad and varied as to be inviting alike to every student whether his tendencies be towards literature, science, art or philosophy. Who can doubt the culture of such a plan? Again let us urge every one who cares to give this matter due consideration and to avail himself of the rare opportunity here offered.

Work on the Yackety Yack is progressing very well, tho' the editors are still in need of more fiction, poetry, drawings, jokes and drags. They hope to have the book ready for press early in February. All those therefore, who expect to contribute anything for this annual are requested to submit their productions just as soon as possible so that

the work may not be delayed. The editors are enthusiastic in this work and are laboring with determined effort to make the Yackety Yack of 1903 the best annual ever gotten out from this University. Many new features have already been introduced, and others may yet be suggested. With the right sort of support there is no reason why the editors should not succeed in their undertaking. Let everyone do his best during the few days now remaining before the book goes to press.

The Virginia tennis club has sent a challenge to the tennis association of this place for a match to be played in Charlottesville at the time of the baseball game there. The tennis association here is being organized, and a tournament is being arranged for, to take place some time in March. The challenge from Virginia is still under consideration. All tennis players are urged to join the association and enter the tournament at once. A further notice of the tournament will appear later.

THE TAR HEEL was in error last week in saying Dr. George Depeu Hadzsits would take Dr. Linscott's place in the Department of Latin. We take pleasure in correcting the statement by saying Dr. T. J. Wilson, Jr., will be at the head of this department and that Dr. Hadzsits has been secured by the President to assist Dr. Wilson. We hope his stay among us may be pleasant and that he may be a valuable addition to the department.

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Then and Now.

In	What
days	would she
long	say, if she
ago (in	saw girls
the six-	today, with
ties, you	their skirts
know), when	clutched
Grandma	sotightly
went walking	they all
she held	look
herskirt'sso	this
	way.

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