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THE UPTURNED FACES.

There is one moment at chapel that is thrilling. When a speaker is introduced and rises to speak every face is turned to him. This sight viewed from above is thrilling. One gets the sensation of countless eager men pressing eagerly to the front to battle for the better things. They are all strong clean eager faces shining with the desire and ambitions of useful lives.

The tragedy will come when the ranks begin to be broken, when an unbroken front will no longer be presented and when the troops still in service become discouraged.

There are only one or two reasons why men lose out in the battle of the campus and leave college; and probably the most important is the choice of poor companions.

One of the most vital companions a man selects is composed of the pictures he puts on his walls and looks at a hundred times a day. Your pictures either reflect your character or mold it.

Surround yourself with suggestive, vulgar and indecent pictures and you cannot cultivate a good taste for books, habits or avocations to save your life.

Your mother's picture, your sweetheart's picture, enlarged kodak pictures of home scenes, prints of famous good pictures ought to be on your walls along with the pennants and other college insignia. A picture of the Christ above every man's desk in college would do more good than ten additional councilmen. Let your walls be friends to which you can turn in times of discouragement and low vitality.

THE FIRST KICK OFF.

Start the football season by saying, thinking, and feeling "our team". A freshman asked one of the football men last week if "they had picked your team." The quicker the new men realize that they collectively are as vital factors in Carolina victories as the eleven sweating men on the gridiron, the better it will be.

This statement is made after three years experience on both sides of the fence; spectator and player.

The mental attitude of every individual on the Campus has its effect on the team. Cultivate a winning attitude. Make that attitude so apparent that it will become a permanent "spirit" on the Campus breathing its fire into every situation.

The winning attitude is easy to cultivate this fall. Carolina probably has the best early season prospects of any team in the South. There are more old men back, more new material to draw from, and fewer vital weaknesses in the team than in any other college.

Remembering, Mr. Student Body, that with the best coaches in the South and as good material as any, you must realize that victory largely rests with you.

NUMBERS AND EFFICIENCY.

The total number of initiates into the two Societies of last Saturday night and the coming Saturday night will probably reach one hundred and seventy-five men. The total membership of the Societies will then be considerably over four hundred men. Every effort is being made to increase the number of initiates.

The condition of the two societies is far from satisfactory. It is worth considering as to whether this large membership has not something to do with the matter.

It is an open secret that modern student life is very highly organized. Some think it is overorganized. Efficiency is the keynote of interest. As a usual thing Campus life finds that a limited membership produces best results; not because there is any virtue in smallness of numbers in itself, but because there is a greater probability of interest.

It is a self evident fact that a man gives his best energies to the things he is interested in. In the feverish multisided activities of college life, it is doubtful if a hundred men are vitally interested in debating. Conditions have changed radically since the days when the Literary Societies were the only extra curriculum activities.

In view of the above facts the Tar Heel respectfully submits its belief that membership in the Literary Societies should be reduced very radically. By the term "radically" it does not mean that an arbitrary limit be set but that conditions be so arranged that only those vitally interested in debating work will join the Literary Societies. To secure this result the Tar Heel suggests that initiations be in the Spring after the Freshmen have found themselves; and that the fees and so forth be announced openly.

THE CAROLINA COTTAGE.

The students of this University are asked to contribute three tenths of one per cent toward a \$200,000 plant, every dollar of

which any one of them who wish can use.

The State Normal and the University are asked to contribute \$1.100 to erect a cottage at the Blue Ridge Association located at Black Mountain. John R. Mott says this is the "best conceived and best developed plan of its kind to be found in the world." He has been around the world seven times making a special study of Religion. He ought to know.

The Normal girls say they believe they can raise the money. Queens College at Charlotte with less than 200 students and Davidson with a little over 300 think they together can raise \$1,100.

Business men believe strongly enough in the proposition to put thousands into the plan with no prospects of ever getting any direct benefit. With college students of this generation it is different. Any improvement there means a betterment on this campus. With the business man it is a gift; with the college man it is an investment. If the business man is philanthropic enough to give his thousands the student should be business man enough to invest his cents.

COLLEGE SPIRIT.

College spirit is hard to define but it is easy to recognize. A group of good college citizens have organized a University Band. Over forty came out to the first call for candidates.

A football game without a band is a lopsided affair. The entire student body wants the Band; but good wishes will not buy Band music. The promoters must have some funds.

In the normal course of events the Athletic Association ought to maintain and direct the Band. It is unable to do so. The students are to be called on to contribute. This is a practical way to help make successful athletics at Chapel Hill.

Sigma Upsilon Initiate.

Last Friday night the Odd Number Chapter of Sigma Upsilon National Literary Fraternity took in Dr. Edwin Greenlaw of the English Department. W. T. Polk '17, of Warrenton and McDaniel Lewis '16, of Kinston were initiated.

Eldridge-Cheek.

On Tuesday evening the 15th at 9 o'clock in the Baptist Church was solemnized a wedding beautiful in its brilliancy and simplicity, when James Eldridge of Dunn received as his bride Miss Josephine Cheek, of Chapel Hill. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. R. L. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church.

A Noted Visitor.

Chapel Hill had an interesting visitor the past week in the person of Mrs. B. V. Wright, of Sampson county. Mrs. Wright is very closely identified with the University. Three of her sons are graduates of the University. One of them, President Robert Wright, of the E. C. T. T. School, is one of the State's greatest educators. The other two are leaders in their professions. Three of Mrs. Wright's daughters married University graduates.

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