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## N. C. CLUB HEARS RURAL SCHOOL PROBLEM TALK

STATE OFFICIAL ABLY SHOWS WHY COUNTY SUPERVISION IS BELOW STANDARD

## CITY CONDITIONS MUCH BETTER

County Supervisors Need Assistants—81.4% of School Population is Rural—County Spends 2½c, City 14c Out of Every Dollar for Schools

That the country child in North Carolina is far from enjoying equality of opportunity with the city child in having his work adequately directed and supervised was clearly shown by L. C. Brogden, of Raleigh, State Supervisor of rural schools, in a discussion before the regular fortnightly meeting of the North Carolina Club Monday night.

Mr. Brogden emphasized the fact that the administrative duties of the county superintendent have so increased within recent years, thus giving him less time to visit his schools, that he is barely even able to approach real supervision of the rural schools.

Considering the fact that of the total school population of the State the rural school population constitutes 81.4 per cent, the speaker declared that it is the quantity and quality of work they receive that is going to determine in a large measure the degree of efficiency attained by this State in its material, intellectual, and moral life.

Taking seven representative counties in North Carolina as a basis of comparison of rural and city school supervision, Mr. Brogden showed: (1) That each of the seven county superintendents has on the average about twice the number of white teachers to direct and supervise as his city school superintendent; (2) that each county superintendent has on the average 59 per cent less of his teachers college graduates and 75 per cent more of them teaching their first term than has the city school superintendent; (3) that each county school superintendent has a rural school term 33 per cent less than that of the city school superintendent; and (4) that the average area of the county superintendent's districts is 571 square miles, while that of the city school superintendent's district is only seven square miles.

"Yet, notwithstanding the above facts," the State Supervisor asserted, "not one of the seven county superintendents has a supervisor to supplement his work."

Mr. Brogden further called attention to the fact that while the county is spending less than two and one-half cents out of each dollar of its total school fund for the direction and supervision of its country children, each of the seven cities, on the average spending 14 cents out of each dollar for its city children.

Mr. Brogden outlined the work of the rural school supervisors, who are devoting practically their entire time to supervising and directing the work through the seven grades of the elementary schools. Their chief work is to increase the efficiency of the teachers already

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## Attractive Base Ball Schedule Under Way

University of Virginia, Easter Monday; Washington and Lee, Tuesday; University of Pennsylvania, Wednesday; Princeton, Thursday; University of City of New York, Friday, and Columbia University on Saturday is part of the baseball schedule for this spring which Manager G. Holding has in the making. Manager Holding says that he is having great difficulty in securing games on account of the unusual conditions this year, but hopes to complete a representative schedule this spring.

Asked as to the possibility of arranging the northern trip as it was planned, Manager Holding said that it was doubtful although he was going to exert every effort to arrange games with the big northern universities. If the desired games can be secured a University of North Carolina team will be seen in action for two consecutive days in New York City.

Manager Holding says that he is now negotiating with some of the state colleges and near-by southern universities with which he hopes to fill in some good games.

At a meeting of the Junior Class Thursday afternoon the Commencement Marshalls for 1918 were elected. N. G. Gooding was elected chief; Rainey Cuthbertson, Jim Ficklen, T. P. Brinn, P. O. Jarvis, Walter Feimster, Jeff Bynum and Luther Hodges were elected assistants.

The coming basketball game with Guilford College will be played at Greensboro.

J. R. Massey, a Freshman at Carolina last year, has arrived in France. He has been in the service but a short time.

## LIEUT. S. WHITING, '14 DIES ON NEW YEARS DAY

It was with a feeling of keen regret that Carolina alumni and students who knew him, learned of the death of Lieut. Seymore W. Whiting, '14, on New Years Day at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Lieut. Whiting had left New York where he was successfully engaged in a law-book writing firm and entered the second Oglethorpe camp, receiving his commission in December. He was later sent to Douglas, Arizona, to train men of the National Army, and here it was that he contracted pneumonia which brought on his death.

Whole in college Whiting had a part in practically every movement and activity on the campus. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, the varsity track team, Golden Fleece, Sigma Chi, and editor-in-chief of the 1914 Yackety-Yack, which is commonly admitted to be one of the best ever issued.

"Original, versatile, capable, he was characterized by the ability to think straight on a subject." And this probably is why his senior biographer accounted him the broadest man in the class.

## EPIDEMIC WARNING BY INFIRMARY PHYSICIAN

DUTY OF STUDENT WHO HAS COLD TO REPORT AND PREVENT SPREAD OF MEASLES

## CAUSES OF COLDS ARE OUTLINED

It's the same old story—"just a bit too careless"—there are already two serious cases of measles in the Infirmary and three cases of Pink-eye. The keynote of warning was sounded in Chapel Hill last Tuesday morning when "Doc" Charlie Mangum announced that there is at this particular time considerable danger of infectious diseases which have been brought back from holiday trips.

"The two diseases which are to be particularly guarded against at this time are, measles and cerebro-spinal meningitis, which are prevalent in the military camps. To prevent the spread of measles, it is absolutely necessary to isolate the patient two or three days before he breaks out with the disease. Measles begins like an ordinary bad cold, and on the fourth day the rash appears."

Therefore, Dr. Mangum declared that it is the duty of every man, who has not already had measles, to report promptly to the college physician if he contracts what he thinks is a bad cold. Anyone failing to do so is certainly willfully sacrificing the well-being of his fellow students to his own selfishness, and may become the cause of inflicting upon another and better man an illness which might easily result in his death. At this time of the year, large numbers of men have what are called "acute colds." If these receive proper treatment within the first few hours, they seldom cause the loss of more than one or two days. If, however, the man hangs back and fails to report until his illness forces him to, he is due to be absent from duty for four to seven days; and he may not recover his strength and efficiency for several weeks.

"The common hygienic errors which cause colds," Dr. Mangum continued, "are: overeating, constipation, wet or cold feet, living in over-heated or badly ventilated rooms, and failing to keep moving when out of doors on a cold or damp day." He declared that any man who is unable to procure over-shoes should see to it that

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## What's to Happen and When

Sunday, January 13.—Sunday School in all the churches. Dr. Raper at Methodist at 9:45 A. M.; Dr. L. A. Williams at Presbyterian at 10:00 A. M. on "Jesus, the Lawyer."

Monday, January 14.—President Graham in Chapel.

Tuesday, January 15.—Examination in Military Science at 10 A. M. Y. M. C. A. meeting in the Reading Room of the Y. M. C. A. 'Round the fire, at 6:45 P. M. Bradshaw, Rondthaler and Wunsch lead the discussion on "Examinations."

Wednesday, January 16.—Reign of Terror begins at 10 A. M.

## Chapel Hill Shivers Its Way Through Holidays

The only unusual event in Chapel Hill during the holidays was the way in which the mercury departed itself. About Saturday before Christmas the mercury dropped at about 32 ft. per second from above thirty degrees to below 10 degrees. The lowest temperature recorded was exactly zero, or in other words there wasn't any weather. This is colder than Chapel Hill has been in 39 years.

Most everything froze, including the Chemistry building and the faculty, but this latter body will be hot after the exams papers have been turned in and the casualties recorded.

The Chemistry building was the worst injured of any. Due to the bad conditions in one series of pipes, the circulation of heat was retarded, causing the pipe to burst and flood the place. But things have been patched up and Labs are still with us.

Practically all of the other buildings on the campus came from the fracas with small damage done. The South was the only dormitory inhabited, all the stay-at-homes hibernating to that place during the holidays.

The faculty and citizens and other inhabitants of Chapel Hill amused themselves by skating on the water supply reservoir. For several days this was frozen over, but finally gave way under constant application of the principle of gravity. The Tar Heel has not been able to ascertain who first discovered the fact that ice hasn't the patience of Job and can even get hot under the collar. But as a general rule Chapel Hill was too cold to have much action, and all evidence points to a very sedate time spent by those on the Hill this Christmas.

## BULLETIN FOR HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE IS OFF THE PRESS

The High School Debating Bulletin, issued by the High School Debating Union, has just come from the press and is now being forwarded to the 250 high schools which have entered the Union thus far. The book is the twenty-sixth of the extension series and contains a comprehensive array of material on compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes, which is the subject for discussion in the various high schools of the state this year.

E. R. Rankin, secretary of the Union, has an article in the Bulletin, giving the history of the Union since it was founded in 1912. Then comes an explanation of the question in a general way. There are briefs on both sides of the question with selected material covering the briefs. In the back is a bibliography of books, pamphlets, documents, and magazine articles discussing the question from every possible point of view.

In many respects Mr. Rankin says the recent issue is one of the most comprehensive bulletins yet compiled by the committee on the Debating Union.

## EPSILON PHI DELTA MEN RECEIVE SIGNAL HONORS

CHARTER MEMBERS AWARDED SILVER MEDALS BY BIG JAPANESE NEWSPAPER

## ONLY GIVEN TO MEN OF SERVICE

Five Men Receive Unique Symbols of What the Order is Doing to Bring Japan and America Closer—Secured Thru Nagano

The organizers of Epsilon Phi Delta, John S. Terry, Kameichi Kato, H. Earl, Marsh, William M. York and W. Hermas Stephenson, have been presented by the Hoshushinpo Journal, of Oita, Japan, the Hyosho medal.

Mr. K. Nagano, a student here, and a member of the Hoshushinpo firm, to whom the medals were addressed, on January 10th, at the regular meeting of Epsilon Phi Delta, presented the medals, and read the following letter, which was written in Japanese and translated by him:

Dear Sirs: We are in receipt of information from Mr. K. Nagano, our representative, that you have organized a Japanese American study club, the purpose of which is to study the problems concerning Japanese American relations in order to promote permanent friendship between the two countries. Inasmuch as your organization is the first, as far as we are aware, of its kind, and your intention is to extend your organization over the United States and Japan, we sincerely hope for your success.

"With a recommendation by Mr. Nagano, and as a result of a special conference according to the regulations, we wish to present our Hyosho medal to each of the charter members in order to express that our wish and desire is in perfect accord with that of yours.

With the best wishes,  
HOSHU SHINPO SHO,  
Oita, Japan."

The medal is a beautiful silver medal, on one side of which is the name of the giver, the Hoshushinpo, and the word "Hyosho," and on the other side is a laurel crown and inscription.

These medals are awarded in Japan to citizens who have accomplished something for the public. The medal is awarded the newspaper regarded as examples of good citizens in public and private life. They are not frequently awarded, and convey great honor to the wearer. They are usually presented to inventors, to philanthropists, to those of exceptionally good family conduct, to those who spend their fortunes for the public welfare, and sometimes to members of the firm who have done exceptional service, but only when he has been in the service at least ten years. A presentation of these medals is generally accompanied by much ceremony, which manifests the significance of the occasion. There are written regulations governing the presentation of the awards, and there is a committee which has a medal should be decided. After the medal is awarded the newspaper devotes much space to the career, conduct, and pictures of the

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