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THE RED CROSS

Another year, and another Red Cross Roll Call. The same enthusiasm and commendable spirit characteristic of the leaders last year is in evidence, and Carolina is responding in a fine manner.

Fraternities and various other organizations last year went in for the Red Cross Roll Call a hundred per cent, and the result was that Carolina's enrollment was something admirable. Frank Graham was here then to show the students the light, and the good record was due largely to his efforts as chairman of the Roll Call Committee.

Carolina cannot fall down this year. Christmas time is coming and the Red Cross spirit is in the air. The virtues of this great organization and movement are too well known to mention. No dollar could be more worthily spent than for a Red Cross membership, and no pin should be worn more proudly than the little Red Cross button that goes with one of these memberships. The Red Cross is no ordinary charity. It is something big and fine and wonderful. Its influence is too far reaching to be estimated in mere statistics.

SHOULD BE PASSED

An open forum article in this issue of the Tar Heel shows that all the representative men among the students and in the faculty, who have been called on for their opinion about the compulsory debate fee, are heartily in favor of the plan. We have personally discussed the matter with a number of others, leaders in various campus activities, and so far we have not heard a single dissenting opinion.

On the face of it is the plan is not so inviting. Why should those who are not in the least interested in debating have to pay in support of this activity? The answer is simply the old axiom, that the individual must contribute for the good of the whole. Debating is a worthy activity, and Carolina has made a particularly fine record in forensic contests. Why should not all students help to support the teams, just as they help support the athletic teams? The societies realize that they can no longer bear the burden, and if Carolina is to retain her enviable position in this field of student activity the student body must be willing to do its share in support.

Fifty cents a year, a little more than fifteen cents a quarter, is a very small sum, and this little assessment will work no hardship on any student in the University. But the sum total collected will enable Carolina to have the most extensive and finest forensic schedule she has ever had, and this sup-

port of the student body will encourage those interested in debating to do better and more splendid work.

It is maintained by some that the University ought to pay the expenses of the debating teams. This we believe to be true, but the fact remains that so far the University has never done so. At the next meeting of the trustees a petition will be presented asking that such a provision be made in the University budget, to become effective next year. If this is granted (and we believe that it will be) the student fee will not be charged after this year. The plan now under consideration is more or less a temporary measure which, if passed, will make possible the carrying out of a good debating program this year.

The Tar Heel approves the proposition, and asks the students of the University to pass it, when presented to them.

COMMUNICATIONS

NOTE—This column is for the free exchange of opinion among our readers. Use it if you have anybody to kick or anything to praise. All articles must be accompanied by the name of the author; no anonymous communications will be published.

ABOUT THE DEBATE FEE

To the Editor of the Tar Heel:
That the proposed plan for financing the debating program is worthy of support and necessary for the future success of debating at the University is well brought out in the clear-cut opinions of two representative students and two members of the faculty who have the best interests of the students at heart. Following is a synopsis of student and faculty opinion:

"I am for the proposed plan of financing debates for four reasons. In the first place, the amount is small. Any student can afford to pay 50 cents a year for such an important college activity. It only means giving up the 'Pick' two and a half times, or foregoing three or four packages of cigarettes, or cutting out ten coca-colas. In the second place, debating is a student activity. It is run by the students, not by the faculty or university administration. It represents one of the organized features of student life and depends entirely for its success upon student support. In the third place, the debating fee will place debating upon the same footing as athletics. A debating fee is just as imperative as an athletic fee. The reasons for the two are the same. In the fourth place, debating teams represent the whole student body and reflect credit or discredit on the whole University. All students are obligated to finance adequately the activities of their representatives."

Professor Walter J. Matherly.

"I am in favor of the proposed change in the methods of support and management of intercollegiate speaking contests and debates. Intercollegiate orators and debaters should be representative of the whole body of students and should be supported by the whole body of students."

Professor George McKie.

"I favor the 50 cent fee because it is the only present way to prevent a curtailment of our already insufficient debate program. Success in debate redounds to the credit of the University as much, or more, than any other activity. The fee may not be exactly the proper way, and it is open to objection but it is the only means to maintain our forensic standard, and as a temporary measure (until the trustees meet) the student body can well afford to forego a 'Pick' or two in order to vote for this fee."

Tommy Turner.

"In my opinion, the proposed plan for financing debating activities is an excellent measure in that it removes the unjust burden from the literary societies and it will result in stimulating interest in this important student activity. The small fee suggested is well within the ability of all students to pay."

Allan McGhee.

The above opinions constitute the sentiment of careful and thorough thinkers, and students may well consider their arguments before voting on the measure.

C. B. C.

ABOUT FRESHMAN CAPS

To the Editor of the Tar Heel:
A lot has been said lately about whether the Freshmen should wear caps or not, and the argument still goes on. I am going to try to set forth what, in my mind, seems the most important arguments on each side.

The wearing of caps by the freshmen would probably do more to help class organization, a thing which is sadly lacking with them, than anything else. It would be a great help to them in the annual soph-fresh snowball fight, too. Also, at the beginning of the year it would do a lot toward getting the freshmen acquainted with each other, for naturally a man wants to mix with his own classmates, and the wearing of caps would enable a man to know which are fresh and which are not.

On the other hand, I think it will have a tendency to promote hazing—something we don't want it to do. For if a soph is not quite sure whether a man is a freshman or not he is a little afraid to fool with him, but if he has on a cap he is a mark for all eyes. But you may say that anyone can tell a fresh as soon as he lays eyes on him anyway. But that is not always true. For there are great numbers of fresh who don't in the least look or act the part. And I dare say that if the count were taken, there would be as great a percentage of upperclassmen who look and act like fresh as there are among the first year men. If you aren't hit, don't bark.

I am acquainted with the fresh cap question, having attended a school where it was the ruling of the student body for them to wear them, and I am not for it here. It will do no good to have only a part of the freshmen wearing them, and all will not wear them until forced to do so. To force them to do this will mean some sort of punishment if they don't, and that will mean hazing. The State laws define hazing as "interfering in any way with a man's personal liberty." So the forcing of them to wear caps will be hazing in itself. I do not say that anyone is trying to force this, but if it is carried out, it seems to me that it will have to be forced.

J. M. R., '25.

SERMONS WE SEE

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day;

I'd rather one should walk with me than merely tell the way.

The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear;

Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear.

And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creeds,

For to see good put in action is what everybody needs.

I soon can learn to do it if you'll let me see it done;

I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.

And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,

But I'd rather get my lessons by observing what you do;

For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,

But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

—Edgar A. Guest.

CLASS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The schedule for the inter-class football series stands as follows:

November

Tues., 21—Freshmen vs. Sophomores

Wed., 22—Juniors vs. Seniors

Thur., 23—Freshmen vs. Law

Fri., 24—Sophs vs. Juniors

Mon., 27—Seniors vs. Law

December

Mon., 4—Freshmen vs. Juniors

Tues., 5—Sophs vs. Seniors

Wed., 6—Juniors vs. Law

Thur., 7—Fresh vs. Seniors

Fri., 8—Sophs vs. Law

Sat., 9—Championship game.

This schedule may be added to, for at least it is probable that there will be a game between the med and pharmacy students Tuesday, November 28. Two of these games have already been played as the Tar Heel goes to press, the freshmen beating the sophs 10 to 0 Monday, and the juniors and seniors tying 7-7 on Tuesday.

CHILD LABOR MENACES SOCIETY, SAYS LOVEJOY

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find were asked for, in order that it may continue to carry out its purpose of investigating child labor conditions, working for needed laws and co-operating with the government, other agencies and parents for enlarging opportunities for education, health, recreation and right work for children.

El Centro Hispano will meet Monday night at 8:15 in the social room of the 'Y.' Some of the scholarship restrictions have been removed and everybody who has had as much as Spanish 1 and 2 are eligible. Faculty members and others who are interested in the study of Spanish are especially invited.

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