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To the STUDENT BODY...

... from the EDITOR

ARMY REVOLUTIONIZES TEACHING METHODS

The United States Army, today the largest educational institution in the world, has brought about a revolution in teaching methods that will exert a growing influence upon civilian schools and colleges.

There is almost unanimous agreement that the Army and the Navy have done an excellent job in training for their definite purposes. They have had to do their work in a very brief period and they have been obliged to teach everything from spelling to Japanese decoding.

In their teaching they have relied upon two main props—standardization and visualization. Parenthetically, we should observe that for much of the work contracted out to the colleges, a great deal of freedom has been allowed. Even here, however, there have been definite syllabi drawn up, it should be noted, by combined military and civilian experts.

Standardization has made it possible to economize in teacher training and has assured the authorities that individual courses will cover exactly what they are meant to. Visualization has meant that content material has been presented with dispatch and clarity.

There is nothing new about either of these two techniques. The first, standardization, has fallen into some disrepute in the last few years as the word came to take on the meaning of regimentation, a current smear word with which you damn anything you don't like. The second, visualization, is as old as the drawings in the pre-historic caves of southern France. Nevertheless, as a word it has been revitalized and no ambitious teacher would dare to get along without it.

The result will be unquestionably a great reliance on films, records, exploded drawings, slides, and all the other visual and auditory impediments which a technological and ingenious people will be able to devise. In this connection it undoubtedly will take time before a balanced attitude toward these tools is realized. A safe prophecy would be that twenty-five years from now every school will have in its attic a pile of discarded and expensive projectors, voice recorders, graphophones, etc. The fact that much of this type of Army surplus materials will go to schools and colleges after the war will reduce the burden to the taxpayers.

Radio, television, the movies have a great deal to offer as instructional aids, but they are not going to replace the teacher. On the contrary, they are going to call for the best teachers. They are not easy to use. If they seem to be, then something's wrong. They tend to run away with the show if not kept under close control and once they have done that then the schoolhouse has become a movie theater—a not unpleasant place to be, but one where the emphasis is on different things.

In any event, visualization is here to stay. The war's use for its economy and clarity has stimulated its appeal and developed its materials. We all do rejoice in the current interest in it, but pray that the academic world won't become so excited about it that it loses its head. Let's keep the blackboards a few years more before replacing them all with silver screens. Let's keep a few books, books to be read and not just looked at for their animated cartoons.

We are going to be gadget-minded enough after this war. Education in its eagerness for visual materials is only reflecting the ideals of the society to which it belongs. But gadgets by themselves are of little avail. Without a warm human being to control them and keep them in their place, they become just so much junk.

Besides the current excitement about visual aids, there are a number of other quickenings of interest that are largely the result of the military's way of doing things. One of the most interesting of these has to do with the teaching of languages. Thousands of men and women have been taught to speak an amazing array of languages in a period of time astonishingly brief by the standards of conventional high school and college teaching. It is not surprising therefore to see high schools and colleges revamping their linguistic methods.

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

We have been asked to state our stand on the bill which is now before the legislature, to legalize "Music Under the Stars." In response to this request, we wish to state that we are very much in favor of the bill, and we think that "Music Under the Stars" should be resumed at once.

BEST WIFE SELECTOR

It occurred to us the other day that we have on the campus a man who is probably one of the most outstanding men in his field—Dr. Woodhouse of the Political Science department. The field that we are speaking of is the fine art of wife-selecting. Even Dr. Woodhouse himself admits that he is quite an authority in that field.

We believe that Mrs. Woodhouse, the congress-woman from Massachusetts, is one of the ten most outstanding women in the nation. It took a mighty good man to foresee that.

CAMPUS TIMETABLE

When it's twelve o'clock by the sun, it's: eleven o'clock according to the Blue Network;

10:30 according to the Bell Tower;

10:45 according to South Building;

11:10 according to the clocks in Saunders;

11:15 according to the Pre-Flight bugles;

2:30 according to the clocks in the Library, but the time is correct in Woolen Gym where it's twelve o'clock noon.

THE CPU ROUNDTABLE

The recent Supreme Court decision regarding the legality of uncontested Nevada divorces in other states was the topic of the discussion. Several members pointed out that the present divorce laws caused injustice and confusion to those who were interested in getting a divorce even when the intentions of both parties were completely honest. Therefore the only answer to this problem, the only way to clear up this muddle was to pass an amendment to the constitution providing for a federal divorce law.

States - righters countered with the argument that control of the domestic life of its citizens was one of the last strongholds of the sev-

eral states and should remain a state power. Then too, there is absolutely no unanimity of opinion regarding causes for divorce. Citizens have more control over their state legislatures than they do over Congress and are therefore able to regulate themselves in a more democratic fashion if the control rests with the states.

It was pointed out that there has been a resolution calling for an amendment to the constitution as regards divorce in the Judiciary committee of the House since 1943. However, since this recent decision has attracted so much attention there is a possibility that public opinion will cause some action to be taken.

march forward to greater achievements than ever before.

Resentment and ill-will are stirred and created by inconsiderate actions. May the like of those described above never again occur in Chapel Hill or the South!

The spirit of the South has been aptly and beautifully expressed in a portion of the following prayer, written by Bishop Edward Capers of South Carolina:

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we adore Thy love and providence in the history of our country, and especially would we thank Thee for our Confederate history."

"We thank Thee for its pure record of virtue, valour, and sacrifice; and for the inspiring reflection that despite its bitter disappointments and sorrows, it proclaims for us, to all the world, that we came through its years of trial and struggle with our battered shields pure, our character as a patriotic and courageous people untarnished, and nothing to regret in our defense of the rights and the honor of our Southland."

In the future, let us remember and respect the rights of others, and create good-will among all our fellow men. Nothing can be gained by trite actions, but much can be lost. In the future, let our spirit express "thought before action."

Very sincerely,

Arthur Budlong,

Billy Selig,

Chas. Coleman,

Adrian Carroll,

Billy Finch,

Andy Griffith.

Reading The Exchanges

By Beverly Eisenberg

THE CRIMSON-WHITE of the UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA comments on the recent announcement by the chairman of the annual beauty pageant in Atlantic City that this year's Miss America will receive a \$5,000 scholarship to some accredited university. The fact that beauty will be allayed with brains doesn't compensate for the expressed fear of Alabama women that the beauty might choose their school. Says the CRIMSON-WHITE: "No greater blow could come to the females at this time of crisis. Think of what the date ratio would drop to then. One woman for all the men on campus." Carolina coeds come from braver stock . . . but say, do you think possibly Miss America might choose Chapel Hill?

THE CHICAGO MAROON headlines an anti-bigotry conference to be held today and tomorrow at the University of Chicago. This is a public probe against discrimination as a potential threat to America's

The Ram Sees . . .

BY AN OLD GOAT

With finals dashing up on all, Rameses beats the well-worn path around UNC with wide eyes and ears. The past week-end brought Carolina's "social year" to a climax with many gay parties here and there.

The Phi Gams formally opened their Fiji Room Friday night along with a kilaroo dance at the Inn. The extra-curricular activities continued through Saturday night, at which time Shorty's was the scene of much fireworks.

Rameses beat off to the stadium Saturday afternoon to the Sigma Chi Derby to watch all the fun. The ADPI's eked out the Chi O's by only two points to win the cup for a year. Despite the efforts of champion pie-eater Linda Nobles and top three-leggers Brent Woodson and Betty Simmons, the girls from Rosemary Lane finally won out. Lib Mace's super deluxe chassis was acclaimed Miss Modern Venus—much to no one's surprise. Saturday night found lovely Phil Ganey chosen as the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, and Ginny Freeman and Ike Isenhour as attendants, at the Sweetheart Ball.

Highlighting a week-end which saw the initiation of nine pledges and an Installation Tea, the Alpha Gam's entertained their national officers Saturday evening with a banquet at the Inn. Pan Hell is entertaining the newly-formed sorority Sunday afternoon with a tea.

Spectacular news from down Spencer way tells us of Betty Edwards engagement to Bob McNair. The big event is to be sometime in November.

The Sleep and Eat boys tangled with the X and Horseshoe girls this past week and came out on top . . . by mistake.

New wearers of the black diamond of DKE are Warren Rendall, Ralph Dupes and Jack McPhaul . . . as of Saturday night. Visiting the Dekes were members of their chapter Alumni Association who were in Chapel Hill for the initiation

ceremony.

Leaving the Hill in a hurry Saturday were Dick Chatham and Boots Walker, tearing off to Marion, Va., for a thrilling week-end. The Ram spied Linda Lou tripping off to Charlotte looking all flushed and excited. Ann Christian, Emma Lee Rhyne, and Shirley Dickinson ventured to Myrtle Beach, while Commencement at St. Mary's took from our midst Maggie Winslow, Betty Graham, Jane Clark Cheshire, and Chinkie Martin.

Brandt Allen made a special trip to the home pasture to request no more publicity. Reason unknown, but spied.

Florida lent four of its loveliest Alpha Gam's to the Carolina campus over the week-end . . . up for the final installation ceremony of Gamma Epsilon chapter. Our tongues hung out, and not from the heat.

Ann Daniel definitely detests the number five . . . especially when it's in the phrase "five week-ends" . . . a la half hour late!

Hershey's, bearing a Savannah postmark, have been pouring into Spencer . . . in care of ADPI Mary Oppen.

The outdoor pool is becoming the camping grounds of the majority of Carolina's gentlemen . . . what with the female bathing suit brigade, led by Coline Smith, displaying its most seductive fashion! TA-WANG!

TAR and FEATHERS

By Charles Frank Benbow, Jr.

As a rule, a campus is a good proving ground. If the campus is as cosmopolitan as our campus here at Carolina, it is almost the ideal place to test various ideas, styles and fads.

There have been many fads on our campus. During the early thirties dungarees and sweat shirts was "the stuff." The passing parade has brought a new fad to our ideal proving ground. The fad may make students so sick that their reaction may prove disastrous to student government. It may prove to be too much for the proving ground. The entire student body may be forced to ask for Lewis, or page Willis, or even call on the Bureau of Aeronautics.

The Student Legislature is at it again. They insist upon meeting every week in order to zealously pursue the nothingness of things. The fad they are striving to make the campus adopt is the "Since We Haven't Anything Better to Do, We Might as Well Have Bigger and Better Elections More Often" fad. The legislature has become fanatical on the subject of elections. They call elections, set-up the polls, regulate elections, inspect elections, etc. And . . . it won't be long (according to an unusually reliable source) till the student legislature will enact a bill requiring a campus-wide election before each regular election in order to determine what date the student body favors for opening the polls for the regular election.

The fanatical disciples of the election fad recently hailed the introduction of a bill providing for an election this summer as a mile-

stone towards permanent adoption of the fad. The proposed bill provides for an election to elect replacements for legislators who are not attending summer school. The substitutes who are elected will serve from July till November regardless of whether the duly elected representatives will be here for one of the summer terms or not.

This clever arrangement will give some groups of students two MPs while others will have to put up with their original choices.

The essence of the bill is this:

1. The students can elect their own representatives.
2. Therefore: These representatives are capable of doing anything except appointing their proxies.
3. Conclusion: The lucky student body can have another election to elect proxies thereby causing a tendency towards the adoption of the fad as a tradition.

Instead of burdening the campus with superfluous elections every time legislators take a trip, why not let them appoint their proxies? If the student body had wanted someone else in their legislature, it would have voted for someone else.

Maybe it would do the campus, student government, and the legislature itself some good for the whole legislature to adjourn for a month or two. The representatives would then be given a chance to take an over-all view of their work instead of a piecemeal view. It would give them more time to find out how the student body actually feels on certain things. (They could then be more able to represent their electorates and could avoid gross misconceptions of student opinion.) It would give them a much deserved rest. They really work hard. (But some of the things they work so hard on are really so trivial that the student body hardly appreciates their sweat.)

S. adjourns once in a while (even in wartime). Come on Reps. Take a well earned rest. We mean really. This fad has us fagged.