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## Editorially Speaking

### LET REASON REIGN

All of us take great pride in the equipment that our school has to offer. In particular Woollen Gymnasium ranks as an outstanding asset. However, nothing will remain serviceable and beautiful, unless it is treated with proper care. Not only does the administration take this responsibility, but the students, also, must share the job.

The NO SMOKING signs in the gymnasium do not form part of the decoration. The announcer does not ask the people to refrain from smoking to test his authority. Fortunately, we do without regimentation; everybody takes charge of himself here. Smoking in the gymnasium is forbidden because the inevitable burning butts will scar and deteriorate the expensive flooring and increase the fire hazard among the crowded assembly at game time. Why not reason before lighting your cigarette at the game next time?

### MARCH OF MISERS

The March of Dimes campaign has been proceeding miserably, despite the energetic efforts of campus chairman Trudy Walton. This is another point which argues for the liberality of our talk and the illiberality of our pocketbooks.

No amount of preaching from this corner can compensate for the utter disregard by this campus for a cause which is so necessary that it practically screams for help. But, we still walk by the white containers to the candy counters. We still ignore the legs of a child so that we can temporarily lose the control of our own legs. We still profanely or sweetly (it doesn't make much difference) tell our reluctant collectors that the benefit dance comes second on your list of things to do this Saturday. It is pretty ironic to have to tempt people to pleasantly exercise their own limbs so that other limbs can some day move.

No more talk! No more wisecracks and evasions. Give, and give till it feels good.

### PNEUMONIA POOR SUBSTITUTE

Mr. E. Carrington Smith's request to the Board of Aldermen that several sidewalks in Chapel Hill be paved is one which receives the hearty endorsement of the Tar Heel.

When the Navy's offer to pave the paths of the campus at an estimated cost of \$60,000 was refused on the muddy grounds of tradition, we could not but blush for shame. Though this opportunity will never reappear, Mr. Smith's resolution is a partial sop to our grievances.

We hope that the administration will soon learn that tradition is seldom a decent substitute for pneumonia.

### INPUT EQUALS OUTPUT

By this time various campus organizations have done their best to acquaint you, the new as well as the returning students, with Carolina life and its many activities. Perhaps their efforts have not been perfect; but if you feel that you have been left out of the picture, you have only yourself to blame. Life will never come to anybody with outstretched arms, the least you can do is to meet its offerings half way.

If you consider college life as a miniature projection of the turbulent world, it follows that here is the chance to perfect your way of life and to test its worth by participating in the many activities that make up Carolina life. Remember: You cannot get any more out of life than you put in to it.

### NOTE OF SYMPATHY

Dear Student Legislature:

In this hour of what should be severe agony for you, we extend to you our sincere condolence upon the unfortunate death of your beloved infant son, Master Student Constitution.

Although we know that all we can say or do would be but empty words to you in this time of much grief, we hope that you may find some consolation in the words of Thomas Jefferson when he said, "That government is best which governs least."

As always,  
THE TAR HEEL

## Orientation

### Graham Memorial Offers Activities For Everybody

By Clyde Stallings

Social facilities of Graham Memorial, the student union building, are available to all students and campus organizations at no cost. This fact, Director Martha Rice believes, is not known to the entire student body, especially to the newcomers.

Everyone is invited to take part in any aspects of the program of Graham Memorial, which is equipped to entertain and relax the student mind. The building includes a large comfortable lounge on the main floor, boasting a rich supply of reading matter. Publications subscriptions include leading state and national newspapers and periodicals. Requests for subscriptions to other papers or magazines are invited to be made to the director, and will be granted if possible.

The main lounge, which is said to be the most beautiful this side of Washington, is the scene for the weekly Sunday night Fireside Concerts. These concerts have proved to be quite popular since their initiation this fall. Director Martha Rice, in her tentative recreation schedule for the Winter Quarter, intends to utilize this room to the best advantage for a series of pop-corn parties, open fireplace marshmallow roasts, bingo parties, recorded concerts, informal dances, and of course, the usual Friday Night Frolics. The "Baby Lounge" at the north end of the building (formerly the Horace Williams lounge) is available for meetings, bridge parties or tournaments, dancing or just plain socializing.

Also at the north end of the hall is a public telephone booth as well as a kitchen, equipped for preparation of light refreshments for parties or meetings of organizations. Meetings may be scheduled without charge in the social rooms or lounges on the second floor by any campus group or society by contacting the Graham Memorial office.

On the second floor of the Student Union are located the offices of the campus publications and student government offices. The meeting room of the Order of the Grail is also used for meetings of the Publications Union Board, the Carolina Political Union, the University Club, the Interfraternity Council, International Relations Club, the Campus Cabinet, the Debate Council and the Chi Delta Phi. The Campus Organizations Office houses the Carolina Political Union, The Sound and Fury Club, the Debate Council and the I.R.C. Other student activities rooms on this floor include, the Tar Heel offices, the Carolina Mag office, the Horace Williams and Roland Parker lounges, the Campus Photographers Service room, the Student Activities Fund Office and the offices of the Student Government and the Women's Government. On the north landing is the Yackety Yack office, while the south landing is equipped with a music room which will be available to any couples or groups through reservation. Numerous popular records as well as a \$1,500 collection of classical and semi-classical albums are on file and may be checked out from the office on the main floor.

In the basement of Graham Memorial there is the location of the "24-Below Club," sponsored by the YMCA on Saturday nights, which may be engaged for dances upon request. Plans are now underway for the installations of a poster shop and a game room in the space formerly used as the old bowling alley. A barber shop and men's lounge complete the facilities on this floor.

Miss Rice cordially invites all new students, old students and faculty members, to come down often and take part in the program of festivities for the coming months.

### Coeds Surpressed In 1898; Carolina 'Flapperized' Now

By Jo Pugh

The first woman student attending the University of North Carolina wore a hat and gloves to class and tradition says that she had to sit behind screens so that the students could keep their minds on their work. It was in 1898 that the first group of women students legally entered the University.

At commencement the men marched across the stage to receive their diplomas while the women students waited at the stage door to be handed theirs.

Those first three coeds met hostility every way they turned. The faculty, the people of the state, and most of all, the men students, openly showed their antagonism. Despite their outstanding scholarship, the coeds believed that inconspicuousness was their salvation and made no effort to improve their situation.

The class of 1900 allowed space in the yearbook for the names of the women students, and in 1907 the annual staff grudgingly included their pictures in the annual.

Miss Mary Graves, class of 1909, recommended that all maidens who wanted to be coeds buy a parasol for shading their faces from the piercing stares of the men students. She wrote, "Lonely coedism among six or seven of the other sex makes one feel like a sword swallower, or an ossified man in a dime museum."

Miss Graves longed for the day when a woman would be governor and the campus "filled with petticoats." Although there are more than ten hundred coeds attending the University now and the idea of a woman governor not impossible, Miss Mary's wish is improbable only because the day of petticoats is gone.

In 1917 the number of coeds had increased to 25. A Woman's Association was formed. The feeling, however, that women were here only because of the gallantry of men, still prevailed. A basketball team was organized. The team, in tennis shoes, black stockings, baggy bloomers, and starched white middies, played several teams victoriously.

By 1919 the group of coeds was so large that the administration made Mrs. Stacy adviser to women. Mrs. Stacy worked hard for a permanent home for her girls, but op-

position faced her nearly every way she turned.

A prominent journalist wrote: "If a coed dormitory is built at Chapel Hill, it will mean the beginning of a flow of coeds that won't stop until the place is flapperized."

Horace Williams wrote, "If we allow women to enter the University, civilization will be gained, but the women will pay a frightful price for their freedom, and many a fair girl will go down in wreckage."

Frank P. Graham, then a young history professor, said, "I believe that education in a university is not a sex right, but a human right."

The Daily Tar Heel shouted in bold, black headlines: "If Coeds, Why Not Negroes!" Stressing the point further they claimed shaves and shiners were all right, but rouge and rats are out of place at a university.

The opening of Spencer Hall in '23 marked the beginning of the rapid increase in coed enrollment. Besides six dormitories and a home, there are five sororities now on the campus. Women students are represented in nearly every department. Doctorates have been given to women; women teachers have been added to the faculty. The present Phi Beta Kappa includes more than half women. A coed is president of the Dialectic Senate; and nearly all organizations and activities are open for coeds.

Coeds have proven themselves to the state and to the University. They have come a long way from their status during the post-war days of World War I. During the recent war, coeds filled major offices in the student body. These years of rapid progress were hard-earned by the open-minded few that saw education and opportunity as human rights overshadowing prejudices of the narrow-minded.

These facts are adequate reasons for urging authorities to plan extension of coed facilities as well as those for men students during the next few years of post-war planning. If coed enrollment is to be limited so drastically during the next terms to make room for returning veterans, then other plans must be made to accommodate the women here or else raise the curriculum of the women's university to that of Chapel Hill.

## The Veterans' Corner

### Housing Campaign Pays Off Congress Petitioned New Housing Units

By Roy Clark

Two representatives of the UVA will be on their way to Washington by the time this paper hits the campus with a petition from the students, faculty, and the townspeople alike, asking that Congress give immediate attention to the critical housing problem that the returning service men are facing in their efforts to take advantage of the GI Bill.

Ken Willis and Joe Woodruff were the men appointed to take the petition to Senator Bailey, Rep. Carl Durham, and Rep. Frank Donders. After the petition has been shown to these gentlemen it will be taken to Mr. William K. Devers, the head of the National Housing Program. The delegation will also talk to Mr. Wilson Wyatt. President Truman appointed Mr. Wyatt to act as trouble shooter in the housing crisis, and to see that results were obtained.

The petition, which was circulated on Thursday and Friday, received well over two thousand signatures. The UVA believes that there are other more effective methods of pressure lobbying, but they intend to use all the means at their disposal to move the seemingly dormant administration into action. Many personal letters to Congressmen have been written by people on the campus, and it is urged that this be continued, for it is one of the most effective means of obtaining action.

Mr. C. E. Teague, assistant controller and business manager for the University, announced tonight that word has at long last been received that an allotment of one hundred and fifty units of surplus housing has been given the University. The message did not disclose the type of housing that can be expected, nor did it give any definite delivery date. However, Mr. Teague is of the opinion that it will take at least three months to clear the ground, install lights, water, streets, and plumbing, and have the units ready for occupancy.

Married veterans will be given all the first choices on these units, and it is understood that those couples now living in the dorms will have the first choice. These couples must be moved as soon as possible so that the dorms may be used to house male students.

### ODDS AND ENDS . . .

The party at Spencer was quite a fine affair and thanks should go to them in large quantities.

Ran into an old Carolina man a couple of days ago who has just come back from the wars. He got a job over in South Building. Each day for a week he moved his desk to a new location, and finally wound up installed in the men's washroom. Everyone decided that he was nuts, but he gave a different explanation to me. "It's the only place around here," he said grimly, "where people seem to know what they are doing."

Many people who wrote their Congressmen have begun to receive replies. Never have I seen a more obvious attempt to sluff an issue off.

GOING OR COMING: Colonel Shephard says that each veteran leaving the University at any time during the quarter, or at the end of the quarter, should notify the Veterans Administration in Fayetteville, N. C., giving them particulars about the date started and the date stopped.

Any person wishing to transfer from Carolina must write the same office, stating his reasons for transferring, and asking for permission to transfer. He must also include the date he wishes to leave, and the date he expects to arrive at his new school.

CLUB NEWS: The Board of Governors has initiated efforts to

get a surfaced road leading into the club. They will also install lights, so that people may successfully navigate the stretch to the club, and some ventilators for the club itself. Plans for enlarging the club when funds are available are also under consideration.

NOTICE: Do not let your service insurance lapse. Send your premiums to the Veterans' Administration, Washington, 25, D. C. If your policy does lapse, write the same office and ask for reinstatement blanks.

You vets were given six months from the day you landed in the USA to file your income tax return. You must file even if you do not have to pay up. The nearest office is in Greensboro, N. C.

The new bulletin board outside Gerrard Hall was put up by Don English to hold all the news and poop pertaining to veterans. Use it and read it. We'll keep it up to date.

The YMCA is giving some very nice support forums each week. There were beaucoup good looking gals there, and the programs are excellent. Veterans are especially invited to come. The discussions are brief, and so are the question periods. Something to commend any organization for.

Don't forget the UVA meeting Monday night at 7:30 p. m. in Gerrard Hall.

### Ain't It The Truth?

### Reporter Tells Ivan's Tale Of Tragedy On Lenoir Hall

By Fred Jacobson

It was a bright and cheery morning. Ivan, however, seemed indifferent as he trudged to his breakfast at Lenoir Dining Hall. It wasn't the fact that he was sleepy, which would have passed as his normal condition, but the oppressing thought of a test that pinned Ivan's spirits down. Yet, Ivan, being a Carolinian and a gentleman, could not deny himself the chance of holding the entrance door open for a group of coeds. Before he was finished half the student body seemed to have been served by his politeness. As a matter of fact Ivan considered it a stroke of fortune to be able to enter himself. Unfortunately, physical agility could not be attributed to Ivan's talents; therefore, he can be forgiven for faltering in the sea of books at his feet. The problem of finding a hook for their coat has confronted all of Lenoir's patrons. Having searched fruitlessly Ivan props up his coat any old place with a gesture of much disgust.

Naturally there was a long line waiting to be served. The sight of this line is said to be a cheap sight because some people feel that they have had enough upon surveying its length. Ivan was positively hungry when he entered the dining hall. On reaching the end of the line he seemed ready to die of starvation. Yet Ivan felt happy at the prospect of devoting the length of the line to study; for that is a long time. Contrary to rumor, however, scientific tests have proved

that only two subjects worth of homework can be completed within the length of the line. Fifty pages of reading brought Ivan within smelling distance of the counter. Another fifty pages of work and Ivan had reached the counter. Now he wished that he had Vanderbilt to back him up so that he could buy as much as he would like to get.

"Hey, Ivan, let's go uptown."  
"Man, I got a test this morning."

"But not after lunch."  
"LUNCH! NOW!"

Nature and circumstance worked against Ivan today. He was seen last hunting for his coat which he had dropped up any old place. He needed the coat, for it was miserably wet outside now.

Said Ivan: "In Russia we don't do it that way!"

### Exchanges

By Dottie Marshall and Gloria  
Must have been a UNC student:  
"Yup, let them profs ask me any question, just any question. It doesn't matter which, I couldn't answer it anyway."

She (cooly): "You bad boy. Don't you kiss me again."

He: "I won't. I'm trying to find out who has the gin on this party."  
The Technique—Ga. Tech

Scottish football yell: "Get that quarter-back."  
Maroon and Gold