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Planned Economy

A Reality

With the filing of the budgets of all campus organizations under the audit board tomorrow, the expenditure of student fees will begin to operate under proper supervision.

The audit board's auditor, R. H. Sherrill, whose duty it is to sign all checks, will have the benefit of probable expenditures of each organization, a budget which has been drawn up by the executive committee of these groups and passed by the members.

It will be the duty of the auditor to question any check written to cover an item which exceeds the amount set aside by the members.

No more financial muddles as the one concerning the junior-senior dance last year can possibly crop up under this new plan. Such a planned economy of student fees has been sought for a long while, now it is a reality; if it receives the cooperation of all involved it will prove a great step forward.

Revolution

At the Infirmary

We are definitely in favor of the new infirmary administration. It is, we believe, a forward step that was greatly needed in the past few years.

A year ago, students complained that milk of magnesia seemed to be the remedy for anything from sprained ankles to brain tumors. One had only to tell the doctor that an excuse was needed, the poor student having been on a drunk the night before, and all was taken care of.

Several times, we ourselves walked into the office to announce an ailment of some sort or other, and the genial doctor behind the desk would look up, smiling, and say, "Milk of magnesia over in the blue bottle. What classes did you miss?"

While it is undeniably convenient to be able to cut classes when desired, with the surety of being able to get an excuse, nevertheless, the system of intelligent care, and honest straightforwardness prevalent under the new regime is best for all concerned.

A large university cannot afford to have medical attention for its students of the calibre of that which we have had. And although the old form is of the lenient, easy going variety, it is not that conducive to the general health and well-being of those who depend upon it.—W.H.W.

Heft in The Making

That the work freshmen take in the gym is decidedly beneficial was demonstrated by the statistics compiled by Dr. Lawson and published in these columns yesterday. The impressive gain in weight made by the twenty-three men examined is indicative of improving general health among the first year class. As Dr. Lawson points out, the fact that the gain has been symmetrically distributed over the body is an important consideration.

The question naturally arises, if gym work is so beneficial for the first year class, why is it offered for only one year? Most colleges require gym for at least the first two years. Here, however, the work must be dropped after the first year because of inadequate facilities. The

gym is not large enough to accommodate the first and second year classes combined.

For some time the crying need on this campus has been the absence of a new and adequate gym. In an era when the national government is appropriating billions of dollars for reconstruction, it is not amiss to suggest that a part of North Carolina's share of public funds be invested in a new gym building for the University. Certainly the maintenance of good health is of paramount importance in any reconstruction plan.—D.B.

Mikado

Philosophy

The trial of Thomas Lanier, now in progress in Wilkesboro, invokes for the first time in North Carolina the so-called Lindbergh law, designed to check the rapidly increasing number of kidnaping cases. While the DAILY TAR HEEL does not take the attitude of making an example of a public enemy, nevertheless we believe that there are few extenuating circumstances that may partially condone the crime of kidnaping or intended kidnaping.

Thomas Lanier, an unemployed textile worker, is charged with attempted extortion by a threat to kidnap the wife of R. J. Reynolds, Jr. He has confessed to writing extortion letters to Reynolds, and his defense will enter a plea of guilty and ask the mercy of the court.

That Lanier is not a confirmed criminal nor an agent of organized crime is a fact that is favorable toward a lenient sentence. Reynolds himself, in fact, when he learned of the jobless textile worker's circumstances, advised clemency. But one thing is certain—kidnaping is a serious intention and the most insidious weapon of the crime of extortion. In view of this fact, we neither ask leniency nor go to the extreme of asking that Lanier be punished to the fullest extent of the law. His punishment should fit his crime, and just what that punishment shall be we leave to his judge to determine—without being influenced by either false sympathy or false vindictiveness.—A.T.D.

The Training Of Youth

Every day as we read the papers we realize that the world is tottering on the edge of an economic abyss. Not only the small man, but the well-to-do, the capitalist, will be acutely affected by this. It is no small matter when every move that is made seems to be merely an attempt to bolster up and strengthen some system that no matter what artificial aids are given, it never gets strong enough to stand on its own feet. The people of the country who are out of work can not continue indefinitely on the system of "dole-jobs" that are being handed out merely in an effort to get this discontented segment of the country's population off the streets and less in a frame of mind to stir up a riot. This is not employment; this is dodging the issue!

If the day of capitalism is gone let that fact be admitted. No country that ever abandons the gold standard accomplished any great example. If capitalism has reached its end of usefulness then let vain efforts to rehabilitate it be stopped. None of the much-vaunted schemes of the administration to recovery has done what is necessary to be done. That is putting the country in a state where it is possible for people honestly to earn a decent living.

What is wrong? Truly this editorial is not to solve that great problem, nor is it to pull down with destructive criticism any noteworthy effort. But, as we are a university here at Chapel Hill, and as we are training young people to go out into the world and take their place with the most capable of this country's youth, it is important that we take cognizance of the fact that the world is no longer and will never again run on the smoothly oiled wheels that it once turned on. There is a new kind of struggle awaiting these young people from that which awaited any other generation that has ever passed through this ancient institution. It is this fact that we should realize and make provision for. Students today must be taught to live in today.

Let us teach these students the basic facts of real, true living. No one can prognosticate the future. Therefore it would be impossible actually to give these students exactly what they would certainly need, but we can teach them the essentials of great living so that they may at least have a guide post, a lamp to guide them in the black uncertainty of today's crises.—J.M.V.H.

Sponsoring what is thought to be the first move of its kind among American universities, the Brown Daily Herald is conducting a campaign to bring every student on the Providence campus under the NRA consumers pledge. Although universities and colleges are exempt from NRA regulations, the Brown publication believes that student cooperation will be beneficial to the success of the movement.—Duke Chronicle (NSFA)

The names of all professors who keep their classes overtime are published regularly at the University of Kansas.—Johnsonian.

Ted Shawn And Troupe Present Dance Types Of Many Countries

Native American Themes to Be Featured by Popular Exponent of Modern Dancing.

Masculinity with a strong American flavor is to be the keynote of the dances presented here tomorrow night by Ted Shawn and his male group. The program though simple and direct in form runs an interesting gamut from an abstract musical visualization of Bach, through the virile primitive rhythms of the American Indian, to deeply emotional presentations of Negro spirituals in dance form.

Shawn himself will strike the high point of the presentation with his twenty-minute dance conception of "John Brown Sees the Glory, an American Epic," inspired by the Stephen Vincent Benet poem. Jesse Meeker, accompanist for the group, has composed the music for the number. Both he and Shawn had been intensely interested in the subject before they met, and it was completed in its present successful form by the collaboration of the two.

Interpret Classics

The men's group will be seen first in a brilliant MacDowell polonaise, almost war-like in tone. In the same section of the program they appear with Shawn in a Brahms rhapsody, which has already had over a hundred performances, and has been so enthusiastically received as to be made a permanent part of the repertoire.

The third section of the program is somewhat lighter in vein, and with definite satiric touches. This will include a whimsical Japanese Coolie dance, the biting "Workers Songs of Middle Europe" by the group, and the Spanish Flamenco dances for which Shawn has long been famous in this country and abroad.

Still retaining the masculine simplicity and directness which marks the whole performance, the last section is characterized by a more profound feeling. The thematic material is religious in nature. Beginning with Ted Shawn's moving study of

St. Francis of Assisi, "O Brother Sun and Sister Moon," it finishes on the deep bass notes of the Negro spirituals "Go Down Moses," and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," in which the complete group takes part.

Jesse Meeker, Shawn's accompanist, is a talented musician whose sympathy and understanding of the dance make his playing one of the high lights of the performance.

Ted Shawn has been hailed not only as a great artist, but also as a superb showman. "Artiness" never creeps into Shawn's programs, for this great dancer believes in presenting to his audience a series of dances that are understandable to everyone. On the basis of past performances, his Monday evening program is one that can be appreciated and enjoyed by anyone, no matter how meager his knowledge of the dance may be.

Coker Presents Four Rare Books

The University library has just received from Dr. W. C. Coker a gift of four rare and valuable books which rounds out its collection of the most important works pertaining to the history of plants in this country.

These books are "Flora Virginica" by John Clayton; "Arbustum Americanum" by Humphry Marshall; "Flora Boreali-Americana" by Andre Michaux; "Catalogus Plantarum Americae Septentrionalis" by Henry Muhlenberg.

"Flora Virginica" Unusual

The library of Congress does not own a copy of "Flora Virginica." Its author, John Clayton, was born in England in 1686 and came to Virginia when a boy with his father. He was Clerk of Gloucester county, Virginia, until the time of his death in 1773. Clayton sent his material to Gronovius of Leyden, Holland, a professional botanist of high standing who edited and published it in 1763. The

form of the book is unusual in that it has an extensive bibliography, accurate descriptions of each plant, a good index, and a map of Virginia.

This was the third book of consequence to be written dealing specifically with botany in America. The first two were John Bannister's "Catalog of Plants observed in Virginia," 1680, and Mark Catesby's "Natural History of Carolina, Florida, and the Bahama Islands." The library owns two sets of Catesby, editions of 1754 and 1771.

Botanical books next in chronological order and importance are: Humphry Marshall's "Arbustum Americanum," 1785; Thomas Walter's "Flora Carolina," 1788; Andre Michaux's "Histoire des Chenes de l'Amerique," 1801, and his "Flora Boreali-Americana, 1803; Henry Muhlenberg's "Catalogus Plantarum Americae Septentrionalis," 1813; and F. A. Michaux's "North American Sylva," a five volume work begun by Michaux and finished by Thomas Nuttall, first published in Paris in 1810-1813.

The University library now owns all of these books except that by Bannister, which is in the collection of the late Dean E. V. Howell.

BURGLAR TAKES TICKET AND LEAVES STANFORD

Apparently cash is running low among Stanford students these days, for Stanford's disgraced campus burglar has at last signified his intention of leaving the university. Raiding Encina hall during last Saturday's game, the prowler stole, among other things, a return trip ticket to Chicago, according to the Stanford Daily.

The victims returned to their room after the game and found that it had been entered. A suit was also stolen with the ticket. Students are now hiding their suitcases and trunks.

Patten to Preach

The Reverend Walter Patten, a former pastor here, will preach at the 11:00 o'clock hour at the Methodist church.

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