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A Way To Help

"Let's subsidize athletes"—"The next war at Chapel Hill will be on President Graham"—"The trouble with the University is that it doesn't put football first." Are these statements expressive of student opinion at the University? If not by subsidization then how may we meet our competition?

Much discussion has recently centered around the problems of athletics and particularly around football here at the University. The feeling has been quite emphatic that everything possible should be done to boost the University not only along these lines but also to secure for Carolina the best of the students who will be going to college next year. In the securing of these men who show abilities above average in scholarship, dramatics, athletics, leadership, and other lines, every individual student can play a vigorous and prominent part.

To play this role will mean seeing these men over the holidays, talking to them, pointing out the advantages of the University and getting the alumni and friends of the University strongly and sincerely back of this movement. It is vitally necessary that the University students do this to meet the competition which will be vigorous between this and other institutions of higher learning. By following out this policy we can do our part toward making Carolina and its student body things of which we can continue to be proud. It will be helpful if after the holidays the students turn over to Maryon Saunders, alumni secretary, the names of the men whom they have contacted along with some information as to their interests and possibilities.

This can and will be a much stronger move toward strengthening Carolina's reputation throughout the state and nation than the subsidizing of athletes, which at best can be considered as little more than an admission of inability to attract these men by the advantages of the institution.

What shall be done depends on the students; the DAILY TAR HEEL urges them to act and to cooperate in giving their support to the University and their approval to the policies of President Graham.—W.R.E.

P. U. Board Representation

According to a statement issued yesterday by Bill Eddleman, president of the Publications Union board, "There is a very definite need for change on the P. U. board."

It has been suggested that the faculty members of the Publications Union board be appointed to serve for a definite term. These faculty members will serve in rotation instead of for the indefinite period which has heretofore been the case. If these members are appointed for a definite term so as to serve in rotation, the faculty will not hold the balance of power which now accrues from yearly rotation of student members and constant serving of faculty members, since the faculty members through familiarity with the workings of the board may direct the board while not seeming to do so.

Also since there is usually at least one member of the board who seeks to secure some publication's appointment through voting with the faculty members, the two faculty members with

the help of the "booters" easily pass any motion which they wish to get through.

The DAILY TAR HEEL therefore advocates a change in faculty membership, which will result in rotation of these members to prevent undue power slipping into the hands of either group in an organization supposed to be representative.—F.P.G.

Examinations and The Honor System

There is every reason to think that the coming exam period will involve a crisis for our honor system. To put it simply, the honor system is up on trial, and if this exam period witnesses another burst of the old wholesale cribbing we can be pretty sure that the idea has outlived its usefulness, and, accordingly, ought to be junked.

During this quarter many violations have been reported and many students punished. Due either to the fear of detection or to an increased consciousness of honor the former epidemic of cheating has almost died away. It remains to be seen now, whether or not this improvement was merely spasmodic and temporary or a permanent return to decency. If in spite of all the pressure that has been exerted within the past few months in the effort to have a real honor system the movement proves a failure, then its chances for success in the future are small indeed for, if, in spite of all, there is no honor now, when can we ever expect it?

It is up to us, the student body, to vindicate and justify the trust that has been placed in us by the administration in allowing the continuance of the honor system even when it was almost unobserved. Will we justify that trust?—M.K.K.

Question And Answer

Dr. Henry Crane, in a recent lecture at Duke University on a "Working Philosophy of Life," took up various slang expressions, giving them their real interpretations. Slang is used so carelessly that we seldom give deep thought to the real meaning of it, but as Dr. Crane says, slang is often language in the making.

We read the papers on paramount questions, listen to this or that person over the radio, and now as the world revolves once more into the Christmas season we are indeed inclined to ask not carelessly, but seriously, "What's it all about?" Out of all the argument, out of all the learned discussions, who is right and what is right and best in such chaotic circumstances? No one knows.

Then after all the wrangling on the radio we hear a clear Christmas carol, and among the pages of newspaper ballyhoo we see a little Christmas picture. Our thoughts wander from this care-burdened world and are captured by contemplation of the lowly Nazarine and his doctrine—"Do unto others as ye would that they do unto you." This is the true solution for nations and individuals. Once it is incorporated into a working philosophy of life we shall have an answer to that slang remark, "What's it all about?"—J.M.V.H.

Speaking The Campus Mind

A Well—Why Not Water?

Editor, the DAILY TAR HEEL:

At the center of the campus in plain view of the hundreds who pass it daily stands a symbol of the University, a symbol that is known and loved by ten thousand students no longer enrolled in classes where text books are taught—the old well. Stamped on stationery, etched by artists, and photographed for news stories, its form is familiar to many who have never visited Chapel Hill; veritably, its fame is spread "from Dan to Beersheba." Yet, there is something tangible that is lacking, something vital that is still: the flow of its water.

In the days before modern "progress" installed hot and cold water spigots in porcelain basins, students gathered in groups, tradition says, around the old well and discussed opinions that live now. Vance, no doubt, cracked many a joke while quaffing its refreshing fluid and learning from his fellows. Aycock, too, may have grasped there the fundamental truth of equality in education. Certainly, Dr. Battle drank from it and rested after walking in "the woods he knew and loved as no other."

But that is of the past—mere memories. True, they are pleasant and effective, but shrouded with age and becoming dimmer on the scroll of receding years. The dried-up oasis is viewed with respect and revered as one dead, even as a cemetery. Like frenzied hornets, boys at a recent rally clung to it as vines do crawling over an old grave. They buried Duke. But Duke arose on the first day after!

While money is being spent to beautify the grounds and give work to the unemployed, no more fitting a thing could be done than to rip

out the floor and sink an old-fashioned pump where the impotent pipes of the well now are. Fitting to the memory of days long gone and prophetic of those to come, when students who drink from the stream whose waters immortal Tar Heels have tasted look back to the old well, not as to a dead memory, but as to a fresh-flowing fountain—a living symbol of the truth they sought and found.

CECIL K. CARMICHAEL.

The Book Worm

Some of the more important books the library has received include: Vera Brittain's "Testament of Youth" is one of those rare books which defy all classification. The personal story of the "Lost Generation" which in 1914 found itself thrust in the maelstrom of war, and emerged with its world obliterated.

"The People's Choice" by Herbert Agar is a candid inquiry into the policies of our presidents which leads to the questions which are stirring the country today, the questions of a planned society and the extraordinary powers recently given to President Roosevelt.

"Kingdom Coming" by Roark Bradford portrays old New Orleans and the river plantations. By turns gay and tragic, it shows the Negro life of the Civil War period.

Alumni To Meet

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eral members of the faculty will deliver points for and against the proposals so that the alumni may get an idea of the improvements the University has in mind.

A supper will be held in Graham Memorial at 6:30 o'clock for the delegates and for members of Carolina alumni and faculty in Chapel Hill. Reservations for the turkey dinner may be made by phoning the alumni office.

Committee to Meet

The student activities committee will meet tonight at 6:30 o'clock in Graham Memorial to discuss the proposals relating to the Publications Union board and the present campus move concerning the honor system.

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The Christmas number of the Carolina Buccaneer will put in its appearance tomorrow night of Saturday morning, all things being favorable. Editor Ivey expects this issue to eclipse by far all former numbers in the quality of the humor and general interest. The magazine will contain more short jokes and cartoons than formerly. The Christmas and New Year seasons will be the main discourse of the number.

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