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Looking Backward

This fiscal year has been one of the most trying that the University has ever experienced. Now that it is drawing to a close there is much that we can observe in retrospect that will show us what has made it possible for the University, as even the iconoclastic H. L. Mencken said recently in a letter to an alumnus, "to continue its high standard of scholarship in the face of tremendous difficulties."

At present the University's appropriation from the state is approximately \$390,000. This figure was set after "economies" proposed in the legislature threatened, and almost accomplished the threat, to reduce the University to such an abject financial plight that it could not maintain the high reputation among national schools that it has set up. And even the present figure, which is ridiculously low for the high type of institution that this should be, represents only about 30 per cent of the appropriation in 1928-29. Obviously the University has done well in the face of such a handicap.

It would have had a much harder time had it not been for other sources of aid than the state legislature. Since it first began operation in February, the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, one of the most commendable pieces of legislation that the government has passed, has spent over \$10,000 toward helping needy students. The CWA has afforded indirect help, to say nothing of the generous aid received from private sources. All this has been indispensable in keeping the enrollment of the University up to minimum and in allowing deserving students to complete their college education, which has become almost a necessity in this competitive age.

In proportion to its affiliation with education in North Carolina, we would venture to state that the federal government has done as much for this cause as the state government, whose charge it is, constitutionally. And if that is overstatement, then at least the national government has done more than its share.

Journalistic Indigestion

There appeared on the sports page of yesterday morning's issue of this paper a "letter" to Norment Quarles, purported by College Topics, University of Virginia weekly, which originally printed the missive, to have been written by Bobby Goldstein, former boxer from the Old Dominion institution. The caption advised readers to "Read, Think, and Inwardly Digest"; but in our opinion, if any thinking on the matter is done, digestion would be impossible for any one who had any claim to sportsmanship.

Written in an extremely adolescent style, the "letter" attempted sarcastically to disparage the abilities of Quarles as a boxer and to set off his prowess as a braggart. Other remarks were directed at two members of the University's freshman boxing team of the past season—two men whom College Topics has previously classed as professionals.

The appearance of this "letter" marks the second occasion on which College Topics has blown off about boxing at Carolina; both articles seem to us to have resulted from an excess of school spirit on the part of a few. We believe that the sentiments expressed in this latest diatribe are not those of Goldstein, and that they

are not the correct expression of the feelings of the majority of students at Virginia.

The attitude of the writer and of the man who allowed the article to be printed is certainly not indicative of sportsmanship on their part. If college newspapers expect to be regarded with respect, their editors should see to it that such puerile journalism as that displayed by College Topics is frowned upon and wiped out.—T.H.W.

Breaking

—the Ice

Saturday the track team of the Naval Academy at Annapolis will be the guest of the University for the entire day. The University club has prepared a complete program for the entertainment of these men, and considering the fact that it is the second time in twelve years that the Navy track team has left home outside of the regular home meets and engagements with Army, it is the duty of the entire student body to see that the Midshipmen are made to feel at home during their short stay here.

The Middies on Saturday evening will be the guests of the Women's association at its dance in the Tin Can. They will know very few girls at the Tin Can, and it would certainly be asking too much of the men to introduce them to all the girls they may desire to meet. Therefore, we suggest that neither the co-eds or their dates feel offended, if the Navy men take the liberty of breaking on a couple without introduction, and since we feel that the students are willing to cooperate in this move, the Midshipmen will be urged to do so.

Again we remind you that it is your duty to offer the Navy team a real example of "southern hospitality," and all the good will that goes with it.—J.L.

Harmed

To the Teeth

William Randolph Hearst, patriot (when it pays in circulation returns), lord protector of the white race against yellow inroads (when it pays in circulation returns), discoverer of foreign intrigues (when it pays in circulation returns), and general proponent of yellow journalism (when it pays in circulation returns), casts upon the contemporary American scene an excellent example of the perversion of fact.

When the newspapers took to publishing action photographs of the World War, the Hearst papers were able to twist out of them a propaganda campaign for increasing American armaments. Under a photograph of a once-peaceful village, now a pieceful shambles, might appear a caption such as: "This might have been anywhere in America. Prepare now for the defense of our country." The general implication is that America can avert the horrors of war (as depicted in Hearst's own horror pictures of the World War) by being armed to the teeth. And in making this implication, Hearst lays himself open to the accusation of perverting the truth.

For if the World War has shown anything, and shown it conclusively, it is that armaments are not and cannot be a protection against war. Disarmament might be, but armament can never be. In July, 1914, Europe was more heavily armed than ever before. There were more men with colors, more guns, more battleships, more shells and more different ways of killing. In fact, armament was so great that the general belief was that the war could not possibly last more than a few months. And armaments—militarism—had attained such a machine-line perfection that it was tacitly understood in some quarters that "mobilization means war." The war machine needed but a slight shock to set it going, and once it started it rolled relentlessly over Europe. That is the true story that lies behind the photographs of the World War. Armaments are not the sole cause of war; but only a perversion of truth can show them to be a creator of peace.—D.B.

With Contemporaries

Time to Think

With final examinations looming on the not-so-distant horizon, it is interesting to note an innovation in the conducting of finals to be tried at Harvard this spring. Students taking examinations in the fields of government, economics, history, or history and literature will be allowed to look over their examination questions for fifteen minutes before the official beginning of the three-hour examination period, at which time the professor in charge will make available the books in which the answers are to be written.

This innovation in examination technique has so much to be said in its favor that the plan is worthy of serious consideration here at Princeton. Many undergraduates enter examinations with such a sense of competing against the time limit that they never really read the list of questions consecutively, and thus fail to get a true perspective of the examination as a whole. Harvard's plan, calling for an extra fifteen minutes

for a leisurely perusal of the questions, should enable a student to organize what knowledge he has to the best of his ability, instead of beginning a rash attack on the first question without trying to perceive its possible relation to later questions. A quiet and sane outlook on the examination as a whole will enable the student better to understand what kind of answers the professor probably had in mind when he made out each individual question—and such an insight is often more valuable than last minute factual cramming.—The Princetonian.

SERVICE IN NAVAL AVIATION IS OPEN TO COLLEGE MEN

Students interested in filing applications for admission to the Naval air service may do so by securing application blanks from the office of the Dean of students and mailing them to the Norfolk air station before May 8. The deadline for applications was formerly announced as May 1, but has been extended.

Qualifications for admission to this branch of the service demand that the applicant be a male citizen of the United States or its insular possessions, be not less than 18 years of age and not more than 27 years of age, be unmarried and remain so until training is completed, be a graduate of a recognized college or university or have an equivalent education, be mentally, physically, and psychologically qualified for enlistment, commission, flight training.

In addition to the regular application blank the applicant must submit the following: a copy of his birth certificate or regular affidavit giving date and place of his birth, evidence of citizenship if not native born, his educational record, three letters of recommendation and identification by persons of recognized standing in the home community, the consent of parents or guardian to enlist for training, and a resume including training received from the army or navy or occupational experience, and a photograph.

SENIORS ARRANGE FINAL EXERCISES

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entitled to all the alumni privileges.

A reunion of the classes will take place at 10:30 o'clock in Gerrard hall, to be followed by an alumni luncheon at Swain hall at 1:00 o'clock.

A band concert on the south campus at 6:00 o'clock in the evening will be the signal for a gathering of the seniors 40 minutes later on the walk leading to the library. Having formed the procession before the library, the group will then march to Kenan stadium where the final commencement exercises will be held at 7:00 o'clock. A reception and ball will begin in the Tin Can at 10:00 o'clock.

E. C. METZENTHIN TO CONDUCT TRIP

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into native family circles and student societies, and there will be visits in rural and urban schools and attendance at Protestant and Catholic church services. For recreation there will be hikes and mountain climbing, especially in the Black Forest and the Alps.

There will also be visits to ten universities: Cologne, Bonn, Heidelberg, Freiburg, Teubingen, St. Gallen, Munich, Leipzig, and Berlin. The group will stay one week each at Bonn, on the Rhine, at Teubingen, the Swabian University of Wurttemberg, and at Berlin.

Have You a Complex?

Crane Calls Mental Hygiene Courses Invaluable.

Do you pay attention to your professor on class? Do you get your home-work with ease? If you don't, look to your mental health, for there's a strong possibility you may be suffering from an unsuspected mental disorder.

Modern psychology has learned that many students who are ambitious but find it difficult to apply themselves can improve their work if they will get at the mental disorder frequently at the bottom of their trouble. For the most part psychological causes for these maladjustments can easily be discovered and cured.

Dr. Harry W. Crane, of the psychology department, is extremely interested in this matter of clearing away the troublesome difficulties that have such harmful effects on students. He considers it urgent that something be done to improve the situation and recommends the institution of a department of mental hygiene, such as most of the leading schools in the country have.

Dr. Crane claims that such courses in mental hygiene will have invaluable influence on the lives of those who study them. An analysis of the psychological causes and effects of various mental troubles and difficulties in thought and general function of the mind would form the basis for the courses. This analysis would enable each individual to determine his own mental status and aid him in making his own re-adjustment. Mental hygiene, while allied with psychology, concentrates on the connection of various reactions and functions of the mind with the mental health of the individual.

Unlimited Benefits
The added benefit received from college and after-college life is unlimited, when childhood weaknesses and psychological afflictions are corrected. The boundless joy in feeling free of intangible restraints upon one's brain is no doubt one of the proudest joys that can be possessed.

Closer application to school-work, and a general raising of the morale of the school on the part of the students, are "sure-fire" results of such a plan. A course which will give students an opportunity to better themselves and raise the scholastic and social standards of Carolina, will more than repay the investment that the school makes.

One of the duties of the suggested department, would be the administering of a psychological test to all entering freshmen. The purpose of such an examination would be to determine what psychological maladjustments they have. Caught thus at their entrance, the students will not have to struggle all through their college careers oppressed by some affliction which the advice of a mental hygienist could correct. At the same time, all those students

who would be considered undesirable because of incurable complexes would be reasonably excluded from entrance. Thus, the standards of the school will be assured a better chance of being high. This examination would be a compulsory routine to which every student must be subjected.

The course, as suggested by Dr. Crane, would give students the credit for one full course. As a separate department or as part of some other department, it would certainly rival the work done along the same line in other universities.

DURFEE AND RUSSELL WILL DEBATE VIRGINIA

Winthrop Durfee and Phillips Russell were chosen for the coming humorous debate with the University of Virginia at the try-outs Tuesday night.

The debate is scheduled for the annual banquet of the debate squad Thursday, May 10, at the Carolina Inn. The Carolina team will take the negative of the query: Resolved, that the NRA be continued. This debate will end the debating season for this year.

Infirmiry List

The following students were confined to the University infirmary yesterday: L. C. Bruce, Norwood Coxe, Helen Edwards, Dexter Freeman, J. L. Jackson, Edith Kneeburg, Samuel Kesselman, J. R. Lawing, J. D. Lewis, Jack Pruden, J. H. Raney, Ruth Thomason, J. A. Turner, and Helen Ward.

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