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For This Issue:

NEWS: ED RANKIN SPORTS: RUSH HAMBICK

• Intercollegiate Boxing

Statements yesterday from the medical authorities, athletic officials, and other sources of information and authoritative opinion indicate that any final action of the legislature tonight on the proposed bill for abolishing intercollegiate boxing would be grossly premature and ill-advised.

First, whereas the right of the legislature to abolish the athletic fee is clear, records show that intercollegiate boxing is at present self-supporting and, in a sense, independent of student fees.

Secondly, there are no reliable statistics to conclusively indicate that brain and other physiological injuries caused in the ring are appreciable enough to warrant abolishing the sport. A national survey in 1933, for example, shows that boxing ranks seventh in the frequency of detectable injuries, football rating far in the front.

Thirdly, there is a great difference between professional and intercollegiate regulations. At the University, doctors are on hand at practice, participants are checked each day for physical condition, and any bout may be stopped at any time by him. In these regular bouts, 12 ounce gloves are used, instead of the six ounce ones of the professional ring. The North Carolina Athletic Association has been making determined efforts for even more rigid standards. The trend today is to discount offensive work and slugging, and to give more emphasis to defense, ring strategy, and scientific boxing.

The rumors that formerly decried permanent dangers threatening the intercollegiate fighter, such as the subtle brain concussions resulting in "punchdrunkness," have either been withdrawn or they have no basis.

If the legislature acts wisely tonight, it can do nothing but table its first important bill.

• Appropriations Poverty

The joint appropriations committee of the State legislature has finally agreed upon a recommendation to make to the General Assembly regarding the allotment of funds to the Greater University.

The committee recommends a grant \$1,426,260 less than the amount requested by Dr. Frank Graham as necessary for the effective maintenance and continued growth of the University.

A paucity of endowments and other sources of independent income necessitates of course, the University's relying heavily upon annual grants of money from the State legislature for its very existence.

The poverty, apparently, of the State means that it will be unable to furnish its higher educational institutions with the money they need to effectively maintain and develop themselves.

Among the State universities of the nation who are members of the Association of American universities, the University ranks far below the average in the amount of State appropriation with which its students are afforded. The burden which Carolina students carry is already heavy. Out of 54 State institutions, this University's in-state tuition fee is among the highest.

If the appropriations bill, as now recommended, is passed by the Legislature, this University will charge out-of-state

To Tell The Truth---

By ADRIAN SPIES

Yesterday at lunch two boys were discussing the proposed \$75 increase for out-of-state students. One of them was a resident of North Carolina, and the other was from a Northern state.

The first of them was pleased with the plan: "They should have done it long ago. Maybe now you guys who come down here will help pay a little for the nice out-of-state education that we've been giving you. And if you don't come, that's all right too. Then perhaps we'll start getting the select state student body that we should have."

The other boy was angered and annoyed: "Well if they think that I'm going to pay \$75 more they're crazy. If this proposal goes through I'll transfer to another school. And plenty more out-of-staters will leave too. Then you people who are doing us such favors can live alone in Saxon pureness."

"Yes," said the first. "We'll live alone and like it!"

Both of these boys, arguing in selfish stupidity, have taken an unfortunate economic issue and distorted it into an opportunity for sectional volleys. They have drawn their prejudiced ideas into themselves and have completely ignored all of the lessons in education which they have learned here in Chapel Hill. And, in talking, both of them forgot all of the ideals of reciprocal living which all young people are supposed to have been taught upon kindly parent knees.

For there is no such thing as a people living by themselves today. And there is no such thing as a single people restricting their learning to themselves, and to the peculiar interests of their own sections. The sec-

tions and bloods of this land have sprawled over each other and pushed into each others' pocketbooks. Despite the ignominities of freight rate fights and political blocs, the interdependence is obvious. And young people learning how to live in this complexity must know all people. They are only doing their own interests a favor by this closeness.

Editor Merrill mentioned this point months ago, when he commented upon Mark Etheridge's fine speech. Like many others, he argued that North-erners—and students from other sections—are able to come here and understand the problems here. And that they could then, after their college education, return to their own districts and act with intelligent fairness. And people in this state may come to understand the difficulties and opinions of others, and respect the actions of others.

And all of them will be together trying to make something out of a mess. And all of them will realize that there is no such thing as localized progress in America.

Now if this state really needs an extra tuition from its "foreign" guests, and if these guests can afford it, the money should certainly be given. But it need not be a sneering service to an inner sanctum of vested interests. And it must not be a new dividing line between the interests of students. And it should not be money-grabbing from an inarticulate group.

It should be, as everywhere, the natural actions of intelligent people combining to mutual service. And in this case education and enlightenment is the most potent force for that common good.

Letters To The Editor

Over 100 Words Subject to Cutting

To the Editor,

Dear Sir:

Please let me use your letter column to communicate with the anonymous writer of the following post-card that I received day before yesterday:

Feb. 4, 1939

My dear Dr. Booker:

After reading about your remarks in this morning's TAR HEEL, I am still of the opinion that no clear-thinking athlete, would register for one of your courses. Athletes would prefer sleeping in a bed to sleeping through one of your dull lectures.

"Joe"

Dear "Joe"

I heartily agree with you; but my class-rolls for this quarter show they're gaining on us.

Nevertheless, don't let this bother you. In spite of their grades, they just can't be real clear-thinking students. Grades don't always mean clear thinking, "Joe"; you must know that.

You could help, "Joe": hook up with the periodical Faculty Debunking movement now under way; you might effect something like a purge.

Or start an Anonymous Clear-Thought Movement on your own, "Joe"; I can see you're the very man for the job. But pick your athletes carefully. Some of the best grades made for me were made by athletes, and that kind just wouldn't fit in.

In connection with such a movement, you might be thinking clearly about one little question of minor importance: You wouldn't want your move-

ment to head up before I retired, "Joe"; would you? That'll not be so long now.

All yours for clear thinking,

"Joe,"

John M. Booker.

IRC To Aid New Chapter At WC

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Chapel Hill since 1931, and the club will now take them over. They will be catalogued in the main library and they will serve as a departmental library. It is hoped to establish a suitable center of research for interested members. Non-members will be allowed to borrow the books with penalty for overtime usage.

KEYS

Sample IRC keys will be soon decided upon and will be available for the members either at the end of the quarter or early in the Spring.

Sunday's round table over WPTF will be a student-faculty discussion of "The Significance of the Lima Conference." Those participating are Dr. Feiler; Dean Pierson; George Laycock; and Marck Orr. Charles Lerche will preside.

Bill Shore and Stuart Isaacs will appear on the Durham broadcast next Tuesday night to present "The International Scene."

Next week's meeting will be a business session.

To call the police, remove the telephone receiver and dial number 4111.

Look for the questions in the Tar Heel Ad Contest tomorrow.

students a tuition fee third from the highest charged by the nation's 54 State institutions.

If the bill goes through, it is estimated that for 1939-40, the University will have 143 per cent of the 1928-9 enrollment, but less than 110 per cent of 1928-9 appropriations.

If the now-recommended appropriations bill is passed, there will be no restoration of salaries. Professors and employees who, through the tough years of financial depression, have remained loyal to the University will not receive a deserved reward.

Departments in the University here are experiencing a growth of student enrollment. If they fail to get more funds they will be unable to properly expand equipment and personnel necessary to keep up with that growth.

Out-of-State students will be discouraged, possibly prevented, from coming to the University if the bill is passed and their tuition is raised. Worthy out-of-state students will be automatically discriminated against according to their ability to pay the large fee.

If the State Legislature finds itself financially impossible to meet the original University request for a \$3,881,728 appropriation, it will be a tragedy of poverty, and the University will have to adjust itself, however, painfully, to that tragedy. The University should be given every possible consideration by the Legislature, before it is crippled by a lower than asked for appropriation.

Hail and Beware

By HENRY NIGRELLI

Dr. Urban T. Holmes (basso in any language) hasn't had a newspaper in his home for two years. He is so much of a pro-Franco that he sees (red) spots and literally has a fit whenever he reads about bombings, sieges, loyalist victories etc. in Spain.

Dr. Woodhouse asserts that his chief weakness is talking too much. "I love to talk," says he. We like him.

Virginia Giddens says that she would like to date J. Franklin Jones, otherwise known as the Marquis de Quatre Chene (see last "buc," p. 17). Get on your horse, J. Franklin!

A lad being interviewed by the CPU for membership was asked to name a senator from his own state. He didn't know. Then he was asked to name two representatives. He didn't know. Finally, he was asked to name the governor of his state. He didn't know. "But," he said, "I'm awfully interested in politics!"

The ASU is going to produce Waiting For Lefty. Sam Green will play "lefty."

Kohnstamm says that you can be thrown into a concentration in Germany for reading *The Herald Tribune*. I wonder what the Nazi would do if they caught someone reading *The Daily Worker*... or the "buc?"

Spain looms as a fair pretext for the next world war. Prediction: A major war will break out in Europe this summer. The U. S. will also be dragged in. Oh for the life of a sailor!

Will Arey's father will buy *The Shelby Star* for him when he graduates. 'Enuf said.

Girls go to college to pursue learning: they end up learning pursuing... Dorothea Raoul looked like royalty last week-end.

(Coming Saturday: Among the coeds)

TEN-THIRTY DOPE

By JANE HUNTER

One lone peach tree blooming gaily in the midst of the dark green of the Arboretum pines signals the premature arrival of Spring to Carolina. Heavy reversibles are shed, and new saddle shoes blossom forth on campus walks. Political brews are bubbling, and holiday plans are in the making.

Even Carl Pugh in his embittered shell shares the rays of the warming sun with the rest of us smug souls, as the black eyes of Mid-Winters fade away in anticipation of Law-Meds and forthcoming frolics.

Spring may not be here to stay, but as long as it chooses to visit it is a welcome relief from mud and misery.

The Playmakers have handed the campus one of the biggest surprises of the year by effectively staging a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta in lieu of its usual run of mountain drammers and modern comedies. Operetta, particularly Gilbert and Sullivan operetta with its smirking heroes and toe-tapping choruses, is usually relegated to junior colleges and high school glee clubs.

But "The Sorcerer" has played three nights to a full house composed largely of students and it has received enthusiastic comments from the press and from the most sophisticated of theater-goers. Congratulations are due to the co-directors from the music and dramatic art departments on the production in general, but especially to Ora Mae Davis for the best costume job the Playmakers have had in years.

Old Memorial hall was the largest structure in the world without a center support.

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BIRTHDAYS TODAY

(Please call by the ticket office of the Carolina theater for a complimentary pass.)

Spansy, G. B.
Illenberger, Lois J.
Laidlow, Ethel G.
Patterson, Francis
Durnell, W. J.
Sloan, C. T.
Clark, Roy
Alexander, W. E.

Local Men Open Boxing Discussion

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committee had met and the bill was drawn up. Originally submitted by a prominent athlete, the proposal will go before the legislature tonight without a sponsor. Joyner said that the athlete's connection with the bill was a "mistake."

Yesterday Coach Bob Fetzner stated: "We realize the need for close supervision of college boxing, but I personally can see no conclusive evidence at present that would justify its abolition. Rules governing the sport are aimed toward extreme protection of the participant, and every effort has been made to disassociate college boxing from professional fighting."

Mr. Fetzner emphatically expressed himself as not being in favor of direct abolition.

RONMAN
Mike Ronman, former Penn State ring star and boxing coach here for the past three years, found it hard to believe that a move was on foot to do away with his sport.

"I've coached boxing for four years and no one ever got seriously hurt," he said. "I think that I am fully qualified to supervise boxing safely, and have done so. Has any boy ever been hurt in boxing here to a degree that the proposed action is necessary? The day one of my boxers gets so much as a cauliflower ear or otherwise badly injured I will resign."

Chief antagonists of college boxing are of the opinion that it is essentially a "brutal sport." Such harmful practices as losing weight to excess, fighting boys of different ability, and the possible resulting injuries form the foundation of their move for abolition.

For the first time in a long while, intramural boxing was not held during the winter quarter this year. Though no official action has been taken, it is known that regulators of intramural and physical education activity are not in favor of continuing the campus bouts.

Dean O. K. Cornwell, who could not be reached yesterday, is said to be principally concerned with the manner in which high school boxing has been conducted—in view of the fact that high school state championships are held here annually.

Coach Ronman himself expressed dissatisfaction in such fights, and pledges his cooperation in trying to bring about an adjustment.

"The match-making is very unfair to young boys," he commented. "Why, a Golden Gloves champ is sometimes put against an inexperienced fighter of the same weight. In high school, experience and actual age are important factors."

Town Hall Tonight; Another Tuesday
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York, the local discussion will be conducted by Harry F. Comer. The program will be held in the main lounge of Graham memorial. The public is invited to attend.

Sensing the current interest in the question of liberalism raised by the last issue of the Carolina Magazine, the board of directors of Graham memorial at a meeting Tuesday, decided to call another town meeting to discuss the issues raised while interest in them is still alive on the campus. The town hall meeting will be held next Tuesday night in the main lounge of Graham memorial and will be in the form of a panel discussion followed by an open forum.

Each presenting a different viewpoint of the situation, the following student leaders will speak in a panel discussion: Allen Merrill, Editor of the DAILY TAR HEEL, will speak on "What is Liberalism?" John Creedy, Editor of the Carolina Magazine, will speak on "Are We Being Educated?" while Jim Joyner, president of the student body will present a talk on "Is Student Government Effective?" and John Kendrick, chairman of the Human Relations Institute and a graduate student in Economics, will speak on "A Critique of Liberalism."

The meeting will be held in the main lounge of Graham memorial Tuesday night at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited to attend.

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