

SOCIETY NOTES

PHILOMATHEAN NOTES

The Philomatheans discussed the theme "Education." Friday evening, December 2.

The following program was given:
I. School system of the nineteenth century. —Edna Coble.

II. Schools since nineteen hundred. —Alta Zachary.

III. Instrumental solo, "To a Wild Rose."—Luna Taylor.

IV. Debate: Resolved, that heredity has more to do with a child's future than environment.

Affirmative, Clara Henley, Clara Coble.

Negative: Mary Lou Wilkins, Blanche Robertson.

V. School Days—Grace Winslow.

The program as a whole was in interesting and instructive. The debate deserves special mention. The affirmative put up a strong argument but were overborne by the negative who were successful in proving that environment has more to do with a child's future than heredity, in four ways, physical, mental, moral and spiritual.

After a serious discussion the minds of all were lightened by some humorous jokes by Grace Winslow.

This meeting was the time for the election of officers; the following were elected: president, Ruth Outland, secretary, Hope Motley, marshal, Bettie Hall.

After the critic's report and some helpful general criticism, society adjourned.

ZATASIAN NOTES

On Friday night, Dec. 2, the Zatasians enjoyed an extemporaneous program. A program of this kind given occasionally is quite profitable as it gives variety and also valuable training in thinking quickly.

The program, as it was given, follows:

I. Reading—Josephine Mock.

II. Debate—Resolved, that it would be more profitable for the boys to take the girls to Christian Endeavor than to the movie.

Affirmative, Florence Cox; negative, Mabel Ward.

III. Vocal Solo—Falsom Neal.

IV. Jokes—Eva Holder.

V. Instrumental Solo—Myrtle White.

VI. My likes and dislikes about Guilford College—Winnie Mae Rowland.

At this meeting the following new officers were elected: president, Mabel Ward; secretary, Zelma Farlow; marshal, Eva Holder.

WEBSTERIAN NOTES

The presence of practically every member of society on Friday, Dec. 2, added interest and enthusiasm to the meeting. A continuation of this type of meeting is expected, since a joint committee, representing both societies, have been before the faculty and arranged a schedule so that no outside entertainments will occur during society hours.

The meeting was called to order by president Fishel. After Mr. Macon had been appointed critic, the following program was given:

I. Debate: Resolved that the educational value of movies overbalances the harm done by them.

Affirmative speakers, Frazier, English, Penny, Negative, Ragsdale, Winchester, Hobbs.

II. Extemporaneous speech—Addison Smith.

III. Popular college songs—Quartette, Tatum, Hobbs, Edgerton, Harris.

IV. Current Events—George Kinney.

CLAYS DEBATE ADVANTAGES OF LARGE AND SMALL COLLEGE

The Henry Clays were called to order Dec. 2, by vice-president, F. M. White who appointed H. G. McBane critic for the evening.

The question of debate for the evening was: Resolved, that apart from the question of expense, the small college is preferable to the large college for a majority of grad-

uates of high school. The affirmative was upheld by Allred, Lindley and V. White, while Shaver, Lane, and Crutchfield defended the negative.

The affirmative team advanced substantial arguments to the effect that small colleges offer advantages in class room work, in chance for participation in collegiate activities and in social life. The negative team however were able to offset these arguments successfully. Much of the credit for their success belongs to Frank Crutchfield who made much the best speech of the evening.

As this was the regular time for election of officers the following men were elected and will be installed at the next regular meeting; president, F. M. White; vice-president, Wolf; secretary, Taylor; assistant secretary, Blair; censor, B. Shore; chaplain, C. Newlin; sergeant-at-arms, T. Machie. The censor then gave his report and society adjourned.

CHAMBERS BUILDING BURNED AT DAVIDSON

Last Sunday night, at the conclusion of one of the most thoroughly enjoyable Senior Week festivals ever celebrated here, Chambers Building, the oldest and most magnificent on the campus, caught fire in the base of the cupola, and burned completely to the ground by 2:30 o'clock Monday morning. Due to the great thickness of the walls between the rooms, some of the rooms did not burn until nearly noon, but the bulk of the structure was a mass of glowing embers long before any help could possibly have arrived.

The blaze was first discovered by inmates of the top floor of Chambers somewhere between 4:30 and 4:45. After a short unsuccessful attempt to quell the blaze, they aroused the campus, and by 5:00 o'clock, the whole campus was out, and the fire was being fought with buckets, hose, and fire extinguishers, while the inmates of the upper floors strove desperately to rescue their personal effects from from the flames. By 5:30, the central stairways were impassable, and the hope of saving the building was abandoned, effort being turned toward saving the other buildings, six of which were in range of the shower of falling sparks.

The men rooming in the south wing were able to save nearly all of their property, by way of a small stairway in the south of the building, but the men in the north wing were forced to abandon a great deal of their property, through lack of a means of reaching it. The loss was specially heavy on the men who were off of the hill, for the week end, very little of whose property was saved. Two rooms were locked, and one of them defied the efforts of those who tried to open it.

The danger to the other buildings being virtually over by the dawn, the President of the College called the students around him, and exhorted them not to lose heart, reminding them of other great trials the College had passed through in times past. Later in the morning, a mass meeting was called in the chapel and various members of the Faculty and of the senior class spoke words of encouragement and talked of means of repairing the damage. The senior class offered to give over their other duties on the campus and spend the time remaining before Christmas in clearing away the rubbish, so that the work of rebuilding could begin immediately in the spring. The Faculty spoke in terms of highest appreciation of this offer, but said that nothing could be done, at least until the fire insurance agents had arrived to view the ruins.

The townspeople have been most cordial in opening their houses to the homeless students while almost all the rooms on the hill not already occupied by three men offered to take in another student. The College is doing everything possible to provide extra beds, tables and dressers as soon as possible. The classrooms which have been lost will be improvised out of the Literary Society halls, the chapel, and spare rooms in the gymnasium. The splendidly equipped Physical Laboratories are almost a total loss, as is the surveying equipment, and the Astronomical telescope. The College is



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FRIENDSHIP COUNCIL BANQUET

State College, Raleigh, N. C.—On Monday night, November 21st, the Freshman Friendship Council held their Annual Banquet in the dining rooms of the College Y. M. C. A. The College Woman's Club prepared and served the delicious food. Mr. W. S. Morris, acting president of the Council, officiated as Toastmaster on the occasion.

The principal speaker was Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, City Boy's Work Secretary of the Wilmington Y. M. C. A., who was warmly welcomed by the men. He delivered an inspiring message to the fellows and proved himself an able speaker to College men. Dr. Riddick, president of the College, made a few remarks in which he highly complimented the splendid work of the Council. Col. Olds also gave a few words of good cheer.

The banquet was carried out in a splendid manner and was an inspiration to the men present. The work of the Friendship Council is being directed by Mr. E. S. King, Y. M. C. A. Secretary at State College.

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