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## DEATH — TRAGIC?

Is death a tragedy? Is it the tragic ending of a life well spent or a life thrown away? Death in itself is not a tragedy; death is something beautiful. The tragedy lies in the fact that the life is not spent as it could be. The tragedy lies in the fact that the soul is not prepared to enter the Home of Souls. There is where the tragedy is. But a life slipping away after living a noble, pure, upright life is a beautiful thing—a thing we all must face. The slipping away of one of our fellow students was not a tragedy, however so it might seem; it was merely the passing into higher realms, celestial realms of the soul, of one who lived so nobly and uprightly on the campus in every-day life. —F.P.J.

## W. C. WAGONER

W. C. Wagoner, a student of this college, died Saturday, November 23, at 12:55 o'clock. His death was preceded by a very short illness, having gone to the infirmary the preceding Thursday night. The students and faculty were very deeply grieved because of his death. The following went to his home to express sympathy to the family in their bereavement: Professor R. M. Lee, Miss Nora Kelly, DeForrest Hasty, Wade Baker, and James Smart.

On Monday afternoon, at the Yadkin Valley church, the last tribute of honor and love was paid to a young man whose life was a burst of sunshine to his friends and a blessing to the institution which he attended.

William was of a quiet nature. He said very little, but he always had a smile for whomever he met on the campus. He attended religious services regularly. His society and class work was carried out with diligence. It is believed that his vacant seat in the hall will be hard to fill.

Somewhere beyond this world there is infinite power and eternal life. The blessed Christ who whispered "peace" to the troubled waters of Galilee has whispered "peace" to the soul of our departed friend. There his tired eyes have opened to the light of a blissful immortality. —D.A.H.

## What's In a Name Anyway?

Suppose  
John were Corn instead of Cain  
Nita were a Bear instead of a Koon  
Hassell were a Floor instead of a wall  
Mary Hudson were a Bungalow instead of a House  
Mack were Less instead of Moore

Donnie Mae were a Saxon instead of a Norman  
Jean were a Mustache instead of a Baird  
Pearle were a Wrong instead of a Justice  
Ann were a Priest instead of a Bishop  
Rex were a Shower instead of a Sprinkle  
Joe were a Pope instead of a Cardinal  
Magdalene were a Blankentrain instead of a Blankenship  
James were a Peach instead of a Cherry  
Martha were Peas instead of a Bien  
Vey were an Eve instead of an Adam(s)  
Era were a Hapsburg instead of a Stuart  
"M" were Near instead of Pharr  
Eva were Sleet instead of Snow  
Leonard were France instead of England  
Frank were a Valley instead of a Dale  
Nellie were a Maid instead of a Butler  
Grace were a Cellar instead of a Garrett  
James were Lazy instead of Smart

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## ARS POETAE

TO NIGHT OF JUNE 20, 1929  
Have you seen the moonlight sleeping  
In the Carolina mountains?  
Have you seen the dream-mists hover  
Round the stately silent summits,  
Clinging round in soft embraces,  
And the silver dew of kisses?  
There methinks in Nature's garden  
Planted round in deep profusion  
In the mountains and the valleys,  
Nourished by the streams of water  
Babbling dreamy conversations  
In their journey to the ocean,  
Laughing mirth and merry laughter,  
Singing sweet and solemn dirges  
Where some native seer is sleeping.  
Nature here delights to ramble  
In and out among her children,  
Leaving fragrance where she lingers,  
Rambling in the virgin forests,  
Proned to loiter at the river  
Or upon the grassy meadow,  
All around her sweetness leaving.

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O the moonlight sleeping yonder  
On the dim outline of summits!  
O the dream-mists in the valleys  
And the deep nocturnal silence!  
O the glory in my bosom  
And the God within my being!  
—D. L. STEWART.

A. T. were a Preacher instead of an Usher  
Winifred were Black instead of White  
Ray were Old instead of Young  
T. Carl were Pink instead of Brown  
Walton were an imp instead of an Angel  
Zaro were a Puzzle instead of a Riddle  
Trula were Large instead of Little  
Margaret were Yellow instead of Green  
Ruth were a Ford instead of a Franklin  
Wouldn't it be funny?  
The "Priest"

## HAIL, THE TEAM

Too often, after the close of the football season, students are prone to the thought, "Just another season closed." Most of us are unmindful of the actual toil and hardship each man on the squad undergoes during the season—the unremitting training, the incessant scrimmage, and then all the knocks and bruises in the actual game. "All for Alma Mater," we might say, or "it's part of the game." True, and in both instances Mars Hill can say that the "team was there." But back of it all is the in-

domitable spirit, the good sportsmanship, and the loyalty. As a tribute to remark that they did not win all the games, but credit be it said that in each man was in there fighting best. And where one gives it follows that the season was full.

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