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SALUTATORY.

To all the students, both old and new, THE TAR HEEL extends its greeting, and especially it salutes the college athletes. It has always been the policy of THE TAR HEEL to represent but one faction of the University and that one the General Athletic Association, and during the management of the present board at least, this policy will be rigidly adhered to; but though the paper is primarily meant to collect and put in readable shape the athletic news of the University, beyond this it is designed to make the paper an exponent of the life here.

With this issue begins the third volume of THE TAR HEEL and with it a new board of editors assume the burden and responsibility of its publication and in order to fully carry out their aims, and publish a paper that shall be a credit to the University, your help is needed, the encouragement of your interest, both by subscribing and then reading the paper. If at any time during the year anything should suggest itself to your mind, which you consider an improvement for the paper, remember that the paper is yours and you have a right to suggest it and come to us and tell us of it.

Mitchell Meeting

The Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society held its first meeting of this session Tuesday night last in the chemical lecture room, Prof. Holmes presiding.

Dr. Baskerville gave a paper on "Some New Cellulose Compounds and the Industrial Application of Cellulose Thiosulphocarbonate"

The paper touched upon the practical value of the new compounds and their economic use. The chemical reaction by which these new compounds are produced were illustrated and their theoretical constitution was given.

Dr. Venable followed with a report of the work of Lord Rayleigh and Prof. Ramsey, two noted English scientists, in which they claimed to have discovered a new element in the atmosphere. This element is said to be similar to the inert nitrogen only being even less reactive. It is claimed to occur as one per cent. of the air around us. Prof. Dewar maintains that this body is not a new element, but a polymeric form of nitrogen, as ozone is of oxy-

gen. However it was shown to be the greatest discovery of the year and probably the decade and is of very absorbing interest to all scientific men.

Prof. Cobb showed samples of native sulphur found in York County, S. C., in the King's Mountain region. This occurrence is very unique in America.

The meeting was interesting in every feature.

Library Notes.

Mr. Benjamin Wyche, '94, who is to be Librarian this year, spent his vacation in the library at Amherst College, learning more thoroughly the details of his chosen vocation. He has come back full of zeal and new ideas, and the library promises to be more efficiently managed than ever before.

We learn that there will be about \$500 dollars expended on the library this term and as much more in the second term. This amount judiciously managed will soon make our library one of the best in the South. The number of volumes is creeping on to the 40,000 mark now, and with this larger appropriation we should make rapid progress toward it.

Mr. J. M. Oldham, '94, is busy in the library, arranging and cataloguing the valuable collection of books and pamphlets of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society. "Oldie" calls a halt every now and then when he comes to the Russian, Japanese and similar exchanges, but he generally manages to settle them "on the third strike" or a "foul tip." We can look out for some grand stand plays before he is through with the job.

Professor Francis K. Ball.

Doctor Francis K. Ball, A. M., Ph. D., of Harvard University, was elected by the Trustees in August to fill the Greek Chair during the absence of Prof. Eben Alexander as Minister to Greece. Dr. Ball has had large experience as a teacher both in schools and as a private tutor at Harvard. He has also been regular instructor in Latin at Harvard for one year. He comes with the highest testimonials as to scholarship from Professors Goodwin, Morgan, Smith and other members of the Harvard classical Faculty. Dr. Ball has already impressed his classes as a scholarly refined and courteous gentleman as well as a gifted teacher. In behalf of the students of the University, we welcome him, and assure him that he may win in our esteem such a place as his merits deserve.

The Athletic Association.

Its Regular September Meeting.

According to the constitution, the General Athletic Association of the University held its first regular meeting for the year in the Chapel, at 2.30 p. m., September 15th.

President Charles R. Turner, '95, called the meeting to order and appointed Harry Howell, '95, temporary secretary.

In the absence of the regular secretary, the minutes of the last meeting were not read.

J. Worth McAlister, '95, was elected secretary and treasurer of the Association, vice H. E. C. Bryant, who has not returned to college.

W. R. Webb, Jr., '96, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the official organ of the Association shall represent the interests of the Athletic Association, report all athletic events and other events of interest in the University and be in no sense the representative of any party or faction, nor lend its aid in any way to the keeping up of strife among the students of the University.

Mr. Webb also read the following terms proposed for the combination of the two college papers, THE TAR HEEL and *The White and Blue*:

1. That the names be dropped and a new name, such as *The Varsity* be adopted.

2. That the board of editors consist of four men from the board of THE TAR HEEL and four from that of *The White and Blue*, one business manager from either side and an editor-in-chief to be chosen by them, who is not connected with either side.

3. That the future boards of editors be elected in the spring by the paid-up subscribers of the paper.

4. In case of a vacancy, until the new mode of election comes into force, the side in which the vacancy occurs may fill it, at their discretion.

A motion that the Association favor these terms was carried. [It should be stated that these terms have been refused by the *The White and Blue*, therefore there will be no combination, and the TAR HEEL will be continued as formerly.—ED.]

Dr. Baskerville offered the following amendment to the constitution, which was adopted:

"The business managers of the foot-ball and base-ball teams shall be elected at the end of each session."

Messrs. George S. Wills, post-graduate, M. H. Yount, '95, and Jas. A. Gwyn, '96, were elected editors of THE TAR HEEL, to fill vacancies caused by resignations of H. H.

Horne, '95, W. C. Smith, '96, and W. D. Carmichael, '96.

J. L. Patterson, '95, offered the following amendment to the constitution, which was adopted:

"The business managers of each foot-ball and base-ball teams, if they deem necessary, shall be empowered to appoint assistant managers of the teams."

W. R. Webb, Jr. was elected official correspondent to the *College Student*, the new southern inter-collegiate periodical.

George G. Stephens, '96, was elected as the undergraduate member of the Athletic Advisory Committee, in place of G. R. Little, '94, who has not returned.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The Literary Societies.

It is a well-known fact that, within the past year, many changes have been made in the manner of conducting our literary societies. In the unprecedented growth of the University during the last few years both in number of its students and in the facilities for imparting higher education, the societies have not failed to recognize their position and influence in the education of University men. No young man, even though he has spent four long years within the walls of the University of North Carolina, can claim to be a well-balanced and thoroughly developed man, unless he has connected himself with one or the other of our literary societies. From the walls of these societies, men have gone forth who are to-day leaders in educational, social, and political circles not only throughout the state, but also throughout the nation. Formerly every young man entering the University and pursuing the academic course, was compelled to connect himself with one of the literary societies. This is no longer the case. Men are now left to their own discretion in the matter. In this way it is hoped that the best material of the University will also be connected with the societies, and those who join from mere compulsion will no longer be a hindrance. From precedent, which has now become a law, men from the western part of the State connect themselves with the Dialectic society, and those from the eastern with the Philanthropic. Since this has become an established custom, there is no strife between the two societies as to securing members at the opening of each year. It is very probable that the time of meeting will be changed from Friday to Saturday nights, since Saturday has been made a free day. It is to be hoped that new students, who propose joining either society will do so at once, so that the work may go on without interruption. No young man, preparing for the duties of life, no matter what his calling or profession may be, can afford to be without a knowledge of parliamentary law. This he can most easily and readily acquire by his connection with one of our societies. Therefore we gladly welcome to our halls all those whose earnest desire is to learn and to be benefited thereby.