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THE stand that has been taken by Hon. Marion Butler in the fight against the University is particularly gratifying to all alumni and friends of this institution. He has shown himself to be fairly and squarely on the side of State aid, and opposed to taking away one cent of the appropriation. His able editorials in the *Caucasian* have made him many friends, and raised him even in the estimation of his bitterest political foes.

The TAR HEEL wishes to thank him for his work in behalf of our *alma mater*.

THE TAR HEEL has repeatedly urged the students to discuss subjects concerning our college life in this paper, and has offered its columns for such purposes; as yet none have availed themselves of the opportunity. In the papers of other colleges, communications from the students on various matters are in every issue; these papers are the students' and for them to use. Recently the TAR HEEL has submitted several questions to the consideration of the student-body; those articles were not written merely to fill up space, although they were useful for that; they were intended to set the minds of the students to thinking on these subjects, and get the students to discuss them. Surely some opinions have been formed in regard to them; now what the TAR HEEL wishes, is to have those opinions expressed; and it offers its columns for this expression, so that all in college may see it. Discussion is invited on the following questions: (1) Whether a University Senate would be useful in the government of this institution; (2) Whether we wish to put out a Track Team, and not confine our athletics to base-ball and football and tennis; (3) Whether we wish to have a Y. M. C. A. building. This invitation is extended to the alumni as well as to the students.

H. M. Thompson, '95, Washington Birthday orator, has made the following appointments for the Birthday celebration, that will take place in the Di. Hall: President, Herbert Bingham, '95; Introductory orator, H. H. Horne, '95; Marshals, H. G. Connor, '97, and W. S. Myers '97.

It would seem that that the "Tar Heel" has gotten us mixed up with our contemporary in Georgia. The article regarding the inaction of the executive committee of the athletic association, partly quoted by our North Carolina neighbor, was not seen in the "Red and Black," but appeared in the last issue of the "Orange and Blue."

We offer our handsomest apologies to the *Orange and Blue* for our carelessness in crediting some other paper with one of their articles. There was no excuse for it. Carelessness is inexcusable at all times.

You will find an interesting communication from one of the Committee on Athletics in this issue. It clears up some points. It disclaims the idea that the Committee puts out teams. We intended when we said "What have we failed to do," and "What have they done," to refer to the Association and not to the Committee.

So the Association recognizes no athletics but foot ball and base ball! If so, why were track captains appointed before this? And further, so far as we are able to learn, the Association elects "managers" for foot ball and base ball, and with these (the Association's) functions cease. We have heard some vague rumors about an Executive Committee, but if it really exists it is merely a "man of straw." It is useless to say more. You all know the real facts in the matter. What we are contending for is an Association that can really do something; or a dissolution of the dummy and let the Faculty Committee have nominal as well as real control of all such things.

Four Stages of a Student's Life.

There are four great stages in the life of every student. However short these stages may be, it is transition from the lowest to the highest of these that determines, in a great measure, the man of after life. The first of these great stages, as every student knows, is the stage of a Freshman. During this stage the hard dull wits are being softened, polishing and refinement begin their work, and knowledge begins to fill up the empty receptacles of the brain. Through this stage, however much detested, all must pass sooner or later, if they would attain to that higher realm of the self-conceited Sophomore. After a period of twelve months in this first stage, when refinement has failed to make the intended impression and knowledge has fallen far short of its aim, they both willingly and cheerfully surrender the student to the second stage, the stage of the egotistical Sophomore. In this second stage the "Fresh" element remains the same, but time has done its work, and the student of the second year is all-wise in his own estimation, but woefully deficient in the eyes of intellectual judges. Often, however, vanity and conceit alone distinguish the student of his class from the one immediately pre-

ceding it. It frequently happens that the appropriate title of "Soph-fresh" is given to a student meaning, that in point of time alone he is a Soph, whereas from an intellectual standpoint he is still in the humble stage of a Freshman.

We now reach the stage of a Junior, when the student first feels his deficiency and begins to reform the course of his first two years. He feels that he is approaching the stage of a dignified Senior, with many examinations yet to make up, which he stood but never passed.

We pass briefly over this to the more important stage of a Senior. Here the student has reached the topmost round of college life. But boast not, Senior. Your head may be as empty in many respects as the vain Sophomore upon whom you look with scorn. "A little learning is a dangerous thing," because an empty brain saturated with only a little knowledge is constantly surging and seeking an outlet, thereby producing a continual strain on the walls of the skull, which may at any time result in a fatal explosion. A man possessed with what is usually called the "big-head" has a brain swollen by the first draughts from the fountain of knowledge and which, like a grain of rice, as soon as the swelling is gone, shrinks back again to its normal condition. But the man of real culture, usually characterized by meekness and simplicity, has a treasure which no man can deprive him of.

From this last stage we pass into active life, and lose ourselves in the multitude of the world.

Resolutions Passed by the Dialectic Society of the University of North Carolina.

Feb. 11th, 1895.

Whereas, The over-ruling Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst our fellow member, Rufus Barringer, of the class of 1842, and whereas, we feel that the society has lost a faithful member, the University a loyal alumnus and the State a valuable citizen, therefore by the Dialectic Society in meeting assembled, be it

Resolved 1. That we extend to the bereaved family of our brother our heartfelt sympathy, and that as a mark of respect the hall of the society be draped for thirty days.

Resolved 2. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the *Charlotte Observer*, to the college papers, and that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the society.

H. E. C. BRYANT,
HOLLAND THOMPSON,
T. A. SHARPE,
Committee.

The Glee, Mandolin & Banjo Clubs.

Newspaper Opinions of our Musical Clubs.

Oxford Public Ledger.

For several weeks the people of Oxford had been looking forward with interest to the appearance of the University Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Clubs.

Their joint concert in the Opera House on Friday evening was a most enjoyable musical treat and the expressions of praise from the large audience attested the success of the entertainment. The opening medley, which introduced many of the most popular, and beautiful airs of the day delighted the audience in the beginning, and bespoke for the Glee Club the best attention and a most hearty reception through the evening.

The Sleigh Ride Gallop by the Mandolin Club was a most decided imitation of a sleigh ride and interspersed with the jingling of sleigh bells, held the listeners with delight and called forth a full burst of applause which ceased when the Mandolin Club returned to play an "encore" which even more delighted the audience.

The Banjo Club, under the skilled leadership of Mr. Lake, proved itself equal to the Mandolin, and furnished music on that old popular instrument, the Banjo, that elicited prolonged applause which continued until the Club played an encore, and this so pleased the hearers that the skilled Banjoists were recalled a third time.

The large, fashionable and appreciative audience that greeted these young musicians, showed by their rapt attention and continuous applause the high estimation in which they regarded the evenings entertainment, and at the close the highest encomiums of praise were awarded the performers and many pronounced the concert one of the finest ever given in our town.

Too much cannot be said in favor of our popular townsman, Mr. Darius Eatman, who led the Glee Club.

Much credit is due Mr. Bristol, the leader of the Mandolin Club, through whose experienced directorship, the club has reached so high a degree of excellence. For many in the audience, it was their first opportunity of hearing the mandolin.

Henderson Gold Leaf.

The richest entertainment of its kindest a Henderson audience has had the pleasure of enjoying lately was that given by the Glee, Mandolin and Banjo Clubs of the University of North Carolina, in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. last Thursday evening. An attractive programme had been provided and each number was exceedingly well rendered. The young gentlemen, a fine-looking, manly body of students, numbering about 25, acquitted themselves in a manner to win the applause and make warm friends of the cultivated and critical audience whose good fortune it was to see and hear them. Rarely have we seen a more appreciative and thoroughly well pleased audience. Each selection was generously applauded and the young gentlemen were obliged to respond to an encore every time they appeared on the stage. This is sufficient evidence of the merit of the entertainment and the appreciation shown for the efforts of the club. We are glad Henderson was included in the Glee Club's list of appointments and shall welcome their return at any time they may pay us another visit.

H. H. Cartland, the Greensboro tailor, will be here with his Spring samples on the 22nd.