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The prospectus of the "Southern University Magazine" has been received. The Magazine will be published monthly and devoted to the interest of the Southern colleges.

Mr. John Young Garlington, who is connected with the *Atlanta Constitution*, is Editor-in-chief. There is room and an evident need for such a periodical, and THE TAR HEEL wishes it abundant success.

We are in receipt of a letter from our friend and former college-mate J. B. Floyd. He is justly indignant at the way in which his name has been drawn into the indiscriminate and reckless charges brought by Mr. McGuire against the University.

He says: "Now as to my receiving any remuneration for my ball-playing while at the University, any assertion to that effect, coming from whom it may, is unqualifiedly false." Surely that is explicit enough.

Last weeks TAR HEEL contained the announcement of the Pan Hellenic Tennis Tournament, for the championship cup. It is perhaps a matter to be regretted that this tournament is not open to all comers, so that the real championship of college not simply the two best fraternity men should win. This is impossible by the laws of the association which at present consists of twelve fraternities who last spring formed it and subscribed for a handsome silver cup to be played for every spring by members of the fraternities composing the association, and should become the property of the fraternity winning it three times in succession.

There is another Tennis association in college which more properly represents the college. Why does not this body bestir itself and do something? What did they organize for if they were to be nothing but a name? A general tournament open to all college can be gotten up by this association with very little trouble to any body. Why not do it? Charge a small entrance fee, and let a cup or trophy of some sort be given to the winner, both singles and doubles. We have good tennis players here and we might as well use our material as let it keep on doing nothing. True, every one can't beat, but if one don't this time there's always a chance for the future. Let's think about it, and then let's do it and do it quickly.

Mr. J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, accompanied his orphans to the village Thursday. They gave an entertainment in the Baptist church Thursday night, which of course was very interesting and commendable.

Mr. Leyburn's Address.

On last Sunday evening our students were favored with an address by Mr. E. R. Leyburn of Hampden-Sidney, on "The Claims of the Gospel Ministry." Mr. Leyburn is a ministerial student in that institution, and gave his address at the invitation of the Y. M. C. A.

He showed that, while secular callings have many attractions, the Gospel Ministry must be regarded as the highest privilege to which man can aspire. No calling needs men so much as this. The world cannot be brought to Christianity with the present numbers of ministers. China, since the late war, has seen that she must have western civilization. Her doors are wide open, and yet there are not enough volunteers. Such is also the case with India, and nearly all of the Pacific islands. Thus the ministry has claims upon our young as well as the other callings and it is every young man's duty to consider this claim when making a choice.

Prof. Charles F. Wing's Lecture.

Thursday evening the students were entertained by a lecture from Prof. Charles Wing, formerly of Cornell University. After a brief introduction by Dr. Battle, Prof. Wing arose and announced as his subject "The State, the Church and the University." The relation of the state to the church and of both to the university were forcibly illustrated in a brief and pleasant way.

He said that every individual had his place to fill in the state, and that it was the duty as well as economy on the part of the state to educate all of its citizens. It was also shown that the money invested by the state in higher institutions was of equal value to that invested in our primary schools, because the state makes greater demands and expects greater service from its higher institutions than it does of its primary and public schools. They that shape our legislation and hold the reins of government and perform the duties and functions of state, must be educated at our higher institutions, if we are to keep pace with the progress of the age and preserve our place among the foremost states of the Union. He showed that, while there were fossils in the state, fossils in the church, and fossils in the university, these were being gradually laid aside and replaced by living forms.

One of the oldest fossils of the universities is the theory that religion and science are not compatible. This fossil has now been deposited among the relics of antiquity, and no professor, unless he too were a fossil of some geological age, would contend for the contradiction.

But the fossil in the church, that the growth of the university takes place at the expense of the sectarian colleges, has also served its purpose and has now been laid aside. This claim was completely overthrown by the example of Harvard University. Within a radius of ten miles of this University there are five or six noted sectarian colleges, all of which have grown as Harvard University has grown, and have been checked as it has been checked. All these flourish side by side in peace and harmony and without contention. Why can not we do the same?

What Harvard University has been to Massachusetts, this University, he said, would be to the Old North State. We, too, have an educational centre with the University of North Carolina as the nucleus upon which all sectarian colleges will throw their reflected light. When the state appropriation is withdrawn from the University, it will be when the legislature no longer represents the people of the State. By keeping in close touch with her alumni, our University will be immortal. Her sons have served the state and the nation in almost every conceivable position, as the pictures on the walls of our society halls and the tablets on the walls of the Memorial Hall will show.

At the close of the lecture Dr. Battle returned the thanks of the audience to Prof. Wing for his highly appreciated lecture.

Some little disturbance seems to have taken place in the delicate minds of the lower class men, caused by the fact that that "pushing, conceited set of busy-bodies," known as the Senior Class, took charge of and carried through successfully, the President's banquet on Friday night last. Poor little boys, if they grow long enough they will be Seniors, by and by, too, and then they will know more about some things than they know now. The Senior Class was led to take charge of the matter through the fact that the first suggestion came from a member of the faculty, and there seemed no other way to get the thing done, so they did it and did it well. It is perfectly wonderful what big fools some people do make of themselves sometimes. By the talk on matter one would be led to think that a place on the committee in charge was a place of particular honor, and not a place of no honor and lots of hard work. The committee deserve a great deal of credit for the whole affair, and those who try to belittle their efforts are only jealous because their names were not upon the little printed souvenirs as members of the committee.

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Work on Memorial Hall.

Work is now being done with a view to making the acoustics of Memorial Hall better than at present.

Prof. Wing of Cornell, who is an expert in physics, has suggested some sensible expedients for the purpose. The back of the hall from the rostrum is being draped with coarse cloth, and should this not be effective, it is intended to stretch cloth across the entire top of the building. After these experiments are made, the hall will be draped and ornamented for Commencement. It is also proposed to level the floor and make this spacious hall serviceable as a gymnasium and dancing hall.

It certainly would seem the proper thing to utilize this magnificent building, which has heretofore been of so little practical use. It should be made useful as well as ornamental. Indications point that it will require a larger hall than the gymnasium for the balls. The hall has been the object of criticism on account of its bad acoustic accommodations, since it was first used. We hope the work will be successful and enduring.

Couldn't a Tennis match between the University of Virginia and North Carolina be organized for the Spring? The games played here last Spring were very interesting, and a great many took the opportunity of seeing some fairly good tennis. North Carolina's representatives clearly outplayed our men, both in singles and doubles, and we should return the compliment, this year, by defeating them. Without some such event in tennis each session, the game will be in great danger of dying out here.

—College Topics.

An article making a suggestion akin to the above clipping from *Topics*, appeared in last week's TAR HEEL. We should be heartily glad to see a match arranged with Virginia or indeed any Southern College who cared to enter, and it would seem that there is no reason why such a match could not be made beyond our own apathy. Let's wake up for a little while and take some interest in some branch of athletics other than baseball and football.

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