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It is with regret that we announce the resignation from the TAR HEEL board of our former Editor in Chief and Associate Editor on account of college duties. They will be missed by the board and college generally, as men who had the proper college spirit and men who did their best to make THE TAR HEEL worthy of representing the University. And in assuming their duties, we deem it wise to follow their example.

THE TAR HEEL in the future, as the past, will endeavor to be a conservative college paper edited for no faction or party, but for the whole University, keeping its interests pre-eminent above all else.

And as such we invite the students, the alumni and the Faculty, to use its columns whenever they wish, at the same time reserving the right to publish only those articles which we think suitable for publication and declining to stand responsible for the opinions expressed in communications. Each writer must be known to the Editor in Chief, through the article need not be signed. And we hope that this invitation will be accepted and that we may thus make our college paper thoroughly wide awake and interesting.

The resolutions which appear in another column of our paper need no explanation, all understand the causes which made them a necessity.

The passing of the resolutions signifies that the University has passed successfully another crisis in its onward march, a large idea involving all has taken the place of one seeing only a part of the whole.

The University, as the embodiment of all large ideas, must pass through a certain series of crises in its upward march. The narrow views, seeing the few, must be supplanted by those having a wider and a deeper significance. The narrow grooves in which this old idea moved must be widened to meet the needs of the deeper insight.

Our present revolution did not suddenly spring into existence, we have only made individually real a principle brought out in Raleigh two years ago. Here the University was recognized as an Institution of the State, this recognition demanded the break up of the old University idea. Before this time the University was not a University, only when the Legislature, composed of representatives from the people declared it to be an Institution for the people, did this old idea give place to the deeper insight.

This onward march had not, as yet, reached our inner life, we were

at this time living our family life, having no interest in those outside the family circle, and admitting to membership only those who were able to come up to our standard.

At this stage we were not a University; personal views were held to be pre-eminent, no place being given to those holding different views.

But on last Monday this larger idea became a reality to the University student. He recognized that he was a member, not only of a family, but of a state as well, and that the demands of the latter were more important. While he might have his family ideas, as it were, yet when the two came into conflict the higher ideas of the state must prevail.

Here the University made a stride forward, a deeper insight had been gained, and a narrow idea had been supplanted by a far reaching one.

The view, which saw an aim as useless unless it promoted personal interest gave away to one regarding the welfare of the University as the aim of all action.

Along with this idea comes the necessity of conformity to law. While we were in the former stage, laws were unnecessary, every one sought personal ends, hence a common law is a contradiction.

The life of a state is governed by law and each individual, if he wishes to hold his membership in the state, must conform to this law.

These requirements are not made arbitrarily by any one, but they come as results of the state's life—they are indeed an expression of the state's life. And as the state expands, law becomes more abundant, we are growing, hence an increase of law.

Any one being a member of the state and seeing that the demands do not suit him, should either learn to obey or leave. The interests of the student body demand that either one of the two courses be pursued.

The change, from the stage in which there is no law, to the one governed solely by law is always attended by friction, and in some cases with great bitterness, but these are only evidences of vigor. Their significance is growth, expansion and a deeper insight.

It is but natural that the feeling should have been high against the leader of this great movement. Has this not been the case with all such leaders? Have they not always been stamped as seekers of personal advancement? Seeing the conflict from the stand point of the lesser idea this is the only conclusion, any other would be in direct opposition to the opinions held by such men.

It means a putting aside of the old regime and the introduction of a new order.

Our struggle is a logical one; we have had a genuine revolution, an idea recognizing the rights of the few has given place to one seeing the University as a unit.

The University has won a victory, not a part but all, the principle is greater than any man or set of men.

The University idea has become a reality and each member is a part of this reality.

The crisis has passed and it is now our duty as friends to our best interests, to the University, and as citizens of North Carolina, to make this idea individually real by living

it. The idea is among us and will remain, conform to its demands or see to it that you do nothing to hinder its progress.

We notice in a recent issue of *The News and Observer*, in an editorial relating to Fraternities at the University, the statement that TAR HEEL is the exponent of the Fraternity men. We have no wish nor do we think it a good plan to discuss in our columns the merit or demerits of the questions at issue in regard to the Fraternities. But we must correct the mistake and make the statement, once more, that the TAR HEEL is, and has always been, what it claims to be—the official organ of the Athletic Association,—at the same time endeavoring to be the exponent of no man or set of men, but of the University generally, wishing to see its interests placed before any other.

And we hope that in the future, we will not have to correct the same error again.

We are glad to see that some have taken up our suggestion of an entertainment for the benefit of the Athletic Association. The debt is in some degree, at least, due to the carelessness of the student body. So we think it is their duty to do all in their power to relieve this debt. And the men who are willing to give their time and talent, for the accomplishment of this end, deserve the support of the entire University, and we hope that it will be cheerfully and heartily given. Let the work go on and when we have done our best, then we can, without shame, look to the alumni and friends for aid.

While warm weather lasted, the base ball candidates had very good batting practice and we hope that much improvement over last year's batting average will be made. And we have noticed with pleasure many new faces on the field. But we hear that there are several men who can play base ball who have not yet made their appearance on the field.

And we wish to urge them to come out and help to make the team as good as possible. Even if, for any reason whatever, they should not be able to be a member of the team, still they could help the team in many ways. A good Scrub team makes much difference in the play of the Varsity and it is the duty of all to help in any respect. And to those who hope to win places on the team we would say that there is but one way to accomplish their end and that work alone will give them an N. C. sweater.

We have lost many of our games in the past through inability to hit with any degree of sureness and the management recognize this. Good stick-work will henceforth win the place over superior fielding, and now is the time when the batting practice has especial attention given it.

So do not wait longer, but come out and go to work for those who do hard conscientious work, at the beginning of the season will be apt to be members of the team.

There is to be an inter-collegiate debate between Vanderbilt and Sewanee during the present term.

Vanderbilt seems to be meeting with much success in the construction of her indoor Gymnasium track.

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