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TAR HEELS VICTORIOUS

Carolina Wins First of Series of Debates With V. U.

The first of a series of three debates with the University of North Carolina took place in the University chapel last Friday evening. The first victory went to North Carolina. Considering the counter attractions that were in the city on Friday evening the crowd that heard the debate was not discouraging in size, and the unstinted applause that followed each speech testified to the quality of the debate. North Carolina was not the audience. In addition to Carolina enthusiasts of the city, a Carolina contingent from Webb's school was on hand to make the Tar Heel debaters feel that they were not without her supporters, and her colors were in evidence in all parts of "strangers in a strange land." And the debate which the University of North Carolina's representatives put up was worthy of the support which was given them and the victory which rewarded their efforts.

Vanderbilt went into the contest with North Carolina, realizing that she had to do battle with a worthy opponent and one of long experience and enviable record upon the rostrum, recognizing that literary society work here was inferior to that at Carolina's seat of learning, but confident of coming out with honor and hoping for victory if individual effort and hard work could avail anything. Victory did not come our way, but surely there was no disgrace in the defeat, and next year will find Vanderbilt again eager for the fray.

As regards argument and the intricacies of logic, Vanderbilt's representatives showed themselves not inferior to the North Carolinians, and certainly their knowledge of the subject discussed was as clear and extensive as their opponents but their speeches were less oratorical. The debate which Carolina's representatives put up testified to the high standard of society work at that institution. Their speeches were well put and were delivered with an ease and fluency that are results of continued and patient work in the literary society. Vanderbilt's debaters had facts, and right here some think lay the trouble, their facts were too cold. Facts alone are strong arguments but when they have the pulsating blood of earnestness sent through them they are stronger arguments. Vanderbilt had facts, had arguments, but did not present them with the earnestness or the ease of her Carolina opponents. Our opponents had their main speeches well and carefully worded and they had them easily in hand. It was Carolina's main speeches that won the debate, Vanderbilt's rejoinders being her strongest part of the argu-

ment.

The exercises began soon after 8 o'clock, with prayer by Mr. Denny. The musical programme which had been arranged had to be dispensed with as no piano had been provided. Gov. McMillan, who presided, in a few words explained the object of the debate and the conditions governing it. Gov. McMillan said he spoke the sentiments of all present when he extended to Carolina's representatives a cordial welcome and assured them that Vanderbilt followers were magnanimous enough to applaud if Carolina won. Gov. McMillan then read the question: "Resolved that the United States Should not Maintain Permanent Possession of the Philippine Islands." Vanderbilt having the affirmative side of the question, Mr. E. B. Crooks was the first speaker. He spoke as follows:

"The question means," said he, "permanent possession, and there are but two possible courses open to retain them—first, with the idea of forming States out of them, and, secondly, as subject people. The first course, however, is too dangerous for an advocate. If, according to the second policy, we hold them as vassal people, arbitrarily, then we violate their every liberty. Whatever form this forcible retention takes, it is despotism. Our present attitude toward Porto Rico shows what the imperialist means by subject people; they are to be taxed without their consent and discriminated against for our industrial benefit. To know their countrymen will ever be subject to a foreign nation will crush and degrade all worthy ambition and patriotism.

"The proposed course of island-grabbing aggression is fraught with gravest dangers to us as well. We are deserting the principles upon which our free government and free institutions rest. It is no reflection upon our government that we are not prepared to undertake this autocratic government. We could, but it would be at the price of our ideals of free government and the sacredness of liberty. The very genius of our free government is that it shall be open and above board, but if we are to have a colonial empire then we will have to change to a bureaucratic form of government."

The first debater for North Carolina was Mr. Whitehead Klutz. He said:

"The permanent retention of the Philippines will benefit the American people. In an industrial age this is the greatest industrial nation. Without foreign markets for the surplus of field and factory, industrial growth cannot continue. In the East, populous and consuming, is our outlet. In this East are the Philippines, which will be a valuable export valve, for the islands possess great potentialities. But more than that, the islands are

invaluable as a trading base for Eastern commerce. The cotton-manufacturing South is deeply interested.

"The Philippines are a powerful strategic base. We must have such a base in the East. The danger of China's being partitioned and an exclusive commercial policy entered upon by the continental powers is imminent. English and American interests demand the integrity of the empire and the 'open door.' In the Philippines we can enforce our demand for these policies. We secured the recent 'open door' as assurance because we held Manila."

"The permanent retention of the Philippines will benefit the Filipinos. Since all tropical peoples left to themselves have failed, it follows that under native direction, these islands of magnificent resources and possibilities would lie barren and useless. Under American sovereignty the Filipinos would develop their land and thus better their own condition. In Egypt and India and throughout the tropics our British brethren have saved people thus. The permanent retention of the Philippines will advance civilization, and we should hold them as a trust for that cause. Making a rich but now useless country to blossom as a garden of beauty and thrift and saving a people that sit in a shadow from themselves for civilization, is a work making for the regeneration of the earth. If it be imperialism, long live such an empire!"

The third speaker was Mr. Carl Monk for Vanderbilt. He said:

"We do not advocate a surrender to a foe in arms against us. Pacify the Tagalos in an honorable way and without further bloodshed. We do not justify the cause of Aguinaldo and his Tagalo insurgents. An imperialistic commission tells us that Aguinaldo and his coterie of lieutenants are crafty and ambitious leaders, but we are also told, and on the highest authority, that they are indiscreet, but sincere leaders. But whether they be the one or the other does not affect the present debate. The rights of the whole Philippine people can not be forfeited by the acts of one-eighth of their number. The Filipinos should be given independence, because they desire it. This is supported by a citation from the report of the Philippine commission which declares that, while the better element of the islands do not desire immediate independence, on account of the ignorance and political inexperience of the masses, still they do desire ultimate independence. The Filipinos are not now capable of independence, but the Philippine commission tells us that the educated Filipinos are the educated people of Europe and America. The corollary following from this is, that so soon as a sufficient number are

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THE GEORGIA GAMES

Carolina 9 Georgia 4;

Carolina 7 Georgia 7.

The two games played in Atlanta were neither a display of good ball playing, both sides making many errors, especially the Georgia team in the first game.

In the second she braced up and gave her opponents the best she had in the shop, while Carolina presented the worst game she has ever played.

It perhaps is necessary to explain why the second game ended in a tie. In the third inning, Carolina had three men to cross the home plate. Then with the bases full and two men out the pitcher made a balk, the umpire though at the time he did not score the man on third, waited until three men were out and then instructed Carolina to score a fourth run for the mistake. This was not put down by the Georgia scorer, so when Georgia scored the seventh run, thinking they had won the game, left the field and the error could not be righted until too late to play out the game. The following is a detail of the two games:

FIRST GAME

Game is called at 3:35 P. M. with Carolina at the bat. Lawson lines out a pretty second and then steals second. Oldham gets another hit, scoring Lawson. Lambeth makes first on McBride's error and Oldham goes to third. Lambeth starts toward second and McBride in an attempt to get both loses both, allowing Oldham to come home. Lambeth is out at third. Woodard and Willcox both die at first.

McBride singles to left and steals second. Cox fans. Hall is out on a fly to Graham. Woodard gets Elder's grounder and cuts off McBride at home.

Score—Carolina 2; Georgia 0.

Holt is hit by ball and goes to first, but dies at second on McBride's fielding of Graham's grounder. Graham moves to second on a pass ball. Bennett walks and Graham goes to third on Lawson's hit and scores on Elder's error. Lawson is out trying to steal second and Lambeth goes out at first.

Black sheer gets first on a balk. Baxter lines out a single and goes to second on a wild throw. Lawson goes in the box and strikes out Whitfield. Rounsaville gets base on balls. Richardson fails to find the ball. McBride comes to the bat with the bases full and amid the cheers of the grandstand, hits a stiff one to Lawson, who gets Blacksheer at home.

Score—Carolina 3; Georgia 0.

Graves sends the ball into left for a two-bagger. Woodard is out from Elder to first. Willcox fans. Graves scores on Holt's single, but

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