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With this issue the eighth volume of the *Tar Heel* is completed and we make our parting bow. It is with little regret that we lay aside the editorial quill for our task has not been an easy one and we do not fail to recognize that in many ways our performance of it has not been satisfactory. We have no excuse to offer, however, for we have done our utmost to furnish a readable paper and one worthy of the University. In conclusion we wish to thank our staff associates for their ready and cheerful assistance and our supporters for their sufferance.

The news of President Alderman's resignation will be received with genuine regret throughout the state and wherever the friends of the University may be. During his short incumbency the University has made remarkable forward strides and has come to be generally recognized as in the forefront of southern institutions for higher education. His relations with students and faculty have ever been of the most cordial and sympathetic nature, making us exceedingly loth to give him up. While his loss cannot but be a severe blow to us we feel assured that his acceptance of Tulane's offer was prompted by a desire to best serve the educational interests to which his life is devoted and that selfish considerations had no share in his decision. We wish him God speed and the much success which will undoubtedly await him in his new field.

It has been the consistent policy of the *Tar Heel* not to engage in controversy with any of our college exchanges regardless of the provocation, but justice to the members of our baseball team, particularly its captain, and our beloved institution which they represent, does not permit statements and reflections in the last issue of the *Georgia Red and Black* to pass unnoticed. In the first place we will assure the editor of the *Red and Black* whose puerile ebullitions cannot represent the real sentiment of the institution which he represents that we do not intend to engage in any contest of "mud-slinging" and "billingsgate." Were we to do so he could easily outclass us.

We can understand that in the heat of contest personalities should be bandied about but how any gentleman could so lower himself as to

resort to such vulgar personalities in print as appeared in the last *Red and Black* passes our comprehension. Such can only injure the author and reflect discredit upon those who endorse his sentiments.

As to the game itself the final authority as to the score must be the umpire. Carolina might urge strong objections to at least one of his decisions but we prefer to submit to possible injustice rather than make ourselves despicable in the eyes of sport lovers by wrangling and abuse. The official score as declared by the umpire was 7-7 and not 7-6 as announced so wildly by the *Red and Black*. Carolina "conceit" and "brass" does not go to the limit of falsifying the score nor will we descend to the level of the *Red and Black* by abuse and contemptible innuendoes.

Probably the most significant and important step in the history of our athletics was taken when application was made to the Southern Inter-collegiate Athletic Association for membership in that organization. Though in existence for only a few years and having many obstacles and disagreements to meet it has been the most powerful agent in the development and perfection of athletics in the South. We have all along recognized its power and been in sympathy with its aims, but certain more or less important considerations have heretofore deterred us from seeking to affiliate with it. These deterrents have, however, been removed or recognized as of minor importance and the step has been taken which shows clearly our position with regard to purity and honesty in athletics and gives new force to the demand that our opponents rid themselves of the blight of professionalism.

### The Past Year at the University.

The year just closing has been for the University one of active endeavors and large success. In every phase of activity, academic, literary, material and athletic great advance has been made. The total registration of the year has been five hundred and twelve exclusive of late entries in the Law department, an increase of twenty-three over last year. Substantial gains are shown by almost every department. The Freshman class has proved itself far above the average in preparation and in ability.

The continuation during the summer months of regular courses of study counting toward a degree is an evidence of progress and of the desire to serve to the fullest extent those seeking higher education.

During the year the beautiful Carr Building, a modern dormitory, the gift of Gen. Julian S. Carr, has been practically completed, and the work on the Alumni Building, for administrative purposes, has been greatly advanced. Surveys for a complete and much needed system of water works have been made and work will begin at an early date.

In the classroom the task of raising the standard of work done has gone steadily forward and the work itself has been unusually satisfactory. The various departments of the University have been strengthened

by the addition of new courses and the enrichment of those previously offered. The course of public lectures by members of the University faculty and by other thoughtful men of ability and prominence has been in the highest degree stimulating and helpful. Arrangements have already been made for a star course next year to include such men as Seton-Thompson and Hamilton Mabie.

The literary societies have shown greatly increased activity and usefulness. *The University Magazine* published under their guidance has risen from a plane of mediocrity to a position not surpassed by the publication of any southern college. Debaters, chosen competitively from these societies, have been successful in contests with Vanderbilt University and the University of Georgia and the revival of interest in debate and kindred subjects has been very noticeable.

Our prominent position in southern athletics has been further strengthened during the past year by the performance of the various teams. In football, despite many discouragements due to players ill and injured at the most inopportune times, our team made an excellent record and was defeated by but one southern team and only by the narrow margin of five points besides playing strong games with two of the most important northern teams. The baseball season just closed has been even more successful, the only game lost being the first of the season to a team notoriously tainted in large measure with professionalism.

The track team too, despite every discouragement deserves high rank among those of the South, as its members broke two and tied one of the southern records. Our greatest satisfaction, however, is not derived from the performance of the various teams but from the fact that their purely amateur standing has been fully recognized and that our determined stand against professionalism has had much to do in bringing about the recent movement in the State to effect its elimination.

Dr. Baskerville went over to Durham Saturday, representing the University in the Athletic Advisory meeting held there on that day. This institution did not join the State League because it has already applied for membership in the Southern Inter-collegiate Association.

Dr. Hume will lecture at Bingham School at Mebane next Saturday.

On Friday night, the 20th, Mr. Robert Strong, of Raleigh, delivered a very valuable lecture before the Law School on "Municipal Corporations."

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