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All communications for this paper should be in the hands of the Editor-in-Chief by Monday at noon to insure publication the same week. We shall be glad to publish pertinent discussions of college topics. The Tar Heel will welcome news items, and hopes the whole college will aid it along this line.

The University needs for some of its bards to strike their silent lyres. At the notable welcome-home the college recently gave its football team, college songs were conspicuous by their absence. There was plenty of yelling, but it was clearly demonstrated that we are sadly in the need of songs. They are most appropriate to such occasions, and, breathing the love of alma mater, make patriotic pulses beat faster. A college without its songs is like a springtime without its flowers. They keep alive and even often create college spirit. The men who write them are, as the saying goes, greater than the lawgivers; they are rendering a service of the first magnitude. It will give the Tar Heel utmost pleasure to publish any worthy efforts in this direction. The necessity is great; let it be met manfully. We must, by no means, be without anthems to sing in celebration of Virginia's downfall and departed glory.

Let every member of the student body who possibly can go over to Raleigh Saturday to whoop Carolina on to a great victory over Georgia. Nothing will put heart and hardihood into our boys like the presence of those to whom their success is most dear. There must be such a gathering of the clans in the capital city that a census of the University can be taken then and there. Let there be such a gathering of the unterrified clans that our opponents, realizing that the "Carolinians are coming," will wish that they were "Marching through Georgia." We are on the high road to the Southern Championship; a big victory over Georgia will put us some stadia nearer it.

Manager Carr has arranged for a special train to Raleigh Saturday. It will leave here about 10:30 A. M. and leave Raleigh about 7 P. M. The fare will be about \$1.80. A special car will be provided for ladies. Let everybody go.

Messrs. N. C. Curtis and K. P. Lewis, A. B. '00, spent Sunday on the Hill.

THE PHILIPPINES.

Mr. Ramon Reyes Lala's Instructive Talk on His Native Country.

Mr. Ramon Reyes Lala delivered his famous lecture on "The Philippines" in Gerrard Hall Saturday night. There was a large crowd present, all the seats being occupied. The lecture was well illustrated by over 100 colored views showing the scenery of the country and the customs and occupations of its inhabitants. It gave a good account of our newly acquired territory and was very interesting to everyone there. During the evening, Mr. Lala sang several Filipino songs which showed clearly that the Filipinos are not without musical ability.

In introducing the speaker, Dr. Venable said that Mr. Lala had fought in the insurrection against Spain and on this account had been forced to leave his native land, that he had formerly been an editor of a Manila paper, was educated at St. Johns, London, has been in America 14 years and is the only Filipino who is a naturalized citizen of this country. He has also written the best book ever published on the Philippines.

In part, Mr. Lala said:

The present revolt against the United States is confined to the Tagalos and to only a very few of them. It was instigated by intriguing chiefs whose sole aim was self-advancement. It was also partially caused by a misunderstanding between the Filipinos and the Americans. Aguinaldo cannot be taken as a representative Filipino, but is much admired by his followers for his courage and shrewdness.

The refined class of Filipinos are in sympathy with the American government. As a whole, they are gentle, ductile, and are Christians. The savages of the interior are not Filipinos, but descendants of the African negroes.

Most of the inhabitants of the islands have civilization to a considerable extent. Lawyers, physicians and members of every profession are found there—in brief they have their own civilization.

They desire to become a part of the world and to have a share in its progress and blessings.

They want an opportunity to work out their own destiny, unmolested by any foreign power.

They are not yet, however, ready for independence. They have never had a chance to try to govern themselves, and hence might commit many grievous faults. The best classes desire a protectorate under which they may improve and then decide for themselves whether they shall be annexed.

Humanity demands that the United States keep the Philippines and humanity is the paramount law. Annexation would no more destroy this government than did the acquisition of Alaska and Hawaii. The Philippines were discovered in 1621 by the Spaniards. They are as large as New York, Delaware, Maryland and New Jersey combined. They are very mountainous, and abound in fine fruits and plants.

The remainder of the time was spent in showing pictures of the noted places of the islands, and the

life and manners of its people. Many of the views were taken in and around Manila, which has a population of 460,000. It is divided into two parts, the old city and the new city, which are separated by a wall. In it are merchants from all nationalities. In speaking of Aguinaldo Mr. Lala said that he was a young man about 30 years old. He served in the Spanish army for some time, but was suspected by the Spanish and arrested. He escaped, however, and has since been their most bitter foe.

A strong talk was made last week by Prof. Perrin of Yale, to the students, urging upon them more dignified and respectful observance of the Chapel Service.

A. M. Carr, '02, spent Sunday in Raleigh.

Mrs. F. M. Beard of Winston, N. C., has been in town during the past week canvassing for her book "My Own Life, or A Deserted Wife." She is the authoress of her autobiography and merits praise for such a work.

This book contains 203 pages including a cut of herself and husband. It is indeed a valuable reproduction and is endorsed by all. After being deserted, she was thrown upon her own resources with two children to support. She has traveled over 8 States up to the present date, selling about 5000 copies of this book, price 50 cents. It is published by Edwards & Broughton of Raleigh. Mrs. Beard is recommended by Mr. A. H. Eller, one of the leading lawyers of Winston. And we see no reason for anything but success in her canvassing tour.

On Saturday the 3rd, the Fresh class eleven met the Horner School team on the gridiron and defeated them by a score of 11 to 0. Both teams played very good ball. Horner was much outweighed by the Freshmen, but the teams were about evenly matched.

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