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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 pertiuent discussions of college topics. Th
Tar Heel will welcome news items, an Tar Heel will welcome news items, and
hopes the whole college will aid it along hopes the
this line.

## Excelsior!

The higher educational institutions of the South have a common problem. It is the problem of nearer approach to that University ideal from which all of them are far. The subject is too large for any justice to be done it here. There is, however, a line of action essen tial to growth that can be briefly emphasized. Consistently and persistently followed, it will get these institutions daily further from the narrower and nearer to the larger view. It will help them to leave the comparatively contracted spirit and aim of the college for the more expanded spirit, the fuller, freer and higher life of the University.
It is not the business of a Univer sity to work with raw material. Its privileges and duties are not realized, not realizable, by crudeness and immaturity. It is necessary to exclude the unprepared and unfit until they are prepared and fit. Admitted, they invariably lower the spirit and aim of the institution, making a high school of what should be a college and a college of what should be a University. Therefore entrance requirements should be raised as rapidly as is practicable. Of course local conditions which do not tend to scholarship must be considered and nothing unreasonable done. There is room for a rise throughout the South. The standard of entrance must be put up, gradually and surely, if slowly. Certainly this is a primary cond tion of the progression we are striving for. It is easily seen that putting up the standard of entrance, giving the institution a better class of men, will aid indirectly in satisfying the most absolute essential of its progressthe broadening of its prescribed courses of study

Who can deny the necessity for liberalizing curriculums which are narrow and hide-bound? In our college courses leading to degrees there is a tendency to put all men in the same mould and turn them all out about the same size. Inflexbie rules of study are laid down; the wants of the individual are
ignored, and he misses his potenignored, and he misses his poten-
tialities. The same training is prescribed and enforced upon all sorts and conditions of men, the same mental pabulum for minds as different a diversity. Compulsion occupies a more exalted place than choice.
A University proceeds upon the assumption. the basis of which is sure, that those who come there are men who know their needs and not children to be guided into knowledge by leading-strings. The student is a free ranger, unfettered by the cramping restrictions of the school.
This ideal has been realized on both sides of the Atlantic, and can be here, though not in a day or perhaps even in a decade. A good beginning can be made now. Right now, the choice of studies in regular courses in this and some other institutions in the South, can. with utmost safety and advantage. be made freer. A long stride can be made from comparative narrowness and shallowness to University breadth and depth. May individual and institution throughout our loved Southland together grow up out of weakness into power.

## To Virginia.

Here's the kind of thing we need It rings true.
There's a football team a comin' Yes, Virginia, she's a comin',
And if you are kind o' wonderin
As to who and what they are, They're the runnin', flying buckin',
-Smashin', tearin', kickin', cuffin'
Crow
Crowd that's goin' to lick the stuf-
Out of you, Virginia.
There's a time that I remember,
Up in Richmond one November,
When they trailed the blue and ange

In defeat and in the dust.
And so now I've been a sayin'
And a bettin' and a pravin'
That the boys would win the day in

Norfolk, and they will or bust.
No, Virginia, you can't hack 'em,
And they've got the tin to back 'em,

Every man has got his money
On the good old Varsity.
With the streamin' white and blue you'll
See the crowd that's come to do you,

They'll come shoutin' Halleluia
And they'll march to victory
I'll be there with all the rooters With our old tin horns and toot-

And the air will sound like thun-
On a roarin', ragin' sea.
Yes, you'll even be outhollered, And your football team get wal ered.
And old "Wa hoo wa" '1l be swallowed
up in yells for U. N. C.
J. A. G.--'96

Mrs. Julia Graves went to Selma ast week to the celebration of the golden wedding of Mr . and Mrs . Noble, parents of Prof. Noble, of the University.

## With ine Societies. <br> DI SOCIETY.

In the Di an animated discussion was held on the relative merits of the liquor systems of North and South Carolina. The Tar Heel advocates argued that in this state the liquor traffic is in the hands of the people. The dispensary advocates argued its satisfactoriness in Europe and South Carolina as a decreaser of drunkenness. The committee decided in favor of the North Carolina debaters and declared Mr. Jonas best debater.

## PHI SOCIETY.

The query was: "Resolved, that Trusts are justifiable and should not be abolished."
The affirmative held that the trusts meet the tendency of the times thward consolidation and that. it takes large combinations of capital to carry on the erormous volume of our business.
The negative argued that trusts tend to destroy individuality in business and to cause concentration wealth.
The committee decided in favor of the negative and reported Mr . Herring best debater.

Dr. H. M. McDonald, of La Grange, came Thursday to see his son, Mr. A. M. McDonald, who is taking a course in Pharmacy here. Dr. McDonald returned the following day. He is a great admirer of the University.

## WAR! WAR!

Read what H. R. Guthrie has to say
to the University students. Five hundred men wanted as soldiers for China and five
hundred men wanted to shave at hudrdred men wanted to shave at H. R. Guth-
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