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A College Annual to be Published

The Tar Heel is able to inform its readers on good authority that a college annual; an annual thoroughly representative of every phase of our college life will be gotten out this Spring. For years past attempts have been made to bring about the necessary cooperation on the part of the student body but for many and various reasons these have been futile. But at last we are able to state that within a week, such an organization will be effected as to secure the hearty cooperation of at least nine tenths of the student body.

On Saturday last representatives of the fraternities and the two Literary Societies met to discuss the question and after an hour of consultation an agreement was drawn up which met the approval of every representative present. A copy was given to each to be submitted for ratification to the respective organizations and on Saturday night the two Literary Societies ratified this agreement.

The main features of this agreement are as follows:

The board is consist of four representatives from each society with two votes each, and one representative from each fraternity.

The managing board shall consist of an editor-in-chief and two business managers to be chosen, one ach from the two societies and the fraternities,

The name is to be chosen by the board of editors.

This agreement is for one year but should the venture prove satisfactory, as it most likely will, it will, without doubt be renewed.

As the Philanthropic Society and the majority of the fraternities have already elected their editors and the others will be elected within a week, it remains only for the fraternities to ratify the agreement (and, when this issue of the Tar Heel reaches its readers, this will very probably have been done), and the board organized. The Phi Society editors are: Messrs. Thigpen, '01, Ballard, '02, Everett, '02 and Lewis, '02.

The fraternity editors so far elected are:

Drane, '02	D.K.E.
Rankin, '03	S.A.E.
Byrnes, '02	Sigma Nu.
Horner, '03	K.A.
Short, '02	A.T.O.
London, '03	Phi Delta Theta.
Van Winkle(Law)	Beta The atPi.

At the meeting of Board of Trustees of the State University at Raleigh last week Dr. Chas. Baskerville, who has been in charge of the Department of Chemistry, was elected Professor of Chemistry, the election to take effect on September 1, 1901. Dr. Baskerville is one of the foremost young scholars of the South, and has already made an enviable record in his chosen work.

Historical Society.

Two interesting papers were read at the meeting of the Historical Society last Tuesday night, one by Dr. Alexander on the "State of Franklin", the other by Mr. Ivey F. Lewis on the "State vs. Wills."

Dr. Alexander, himself a native of the State once called Franklin, read an exceedingly interesting account of the struggles of that short lived state against her savage and her civilized foes. It was, we think the only instance in the history of the American union of a state being organized, flourishing and then passing into decay. The dominant character in the state of Franklin, and its successor Tennessee, was John Sevier, the hero of Kings Mountain. Though once jailed in Morganton for stirring up an insurrection, he was afterwards released, welcomed back to Tennessee with a great demonstration, and honored by his people with the highest offices they had to bestow.

Mr. Lewis read an account of the celebrated trial in the State of North Carolina against Wills, Wills, a slave was tried in the Superior Court for the murder of his master, whom he had killed in self defence, he claimed. The lower court found him guilty of murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to be hanged. The case was sent up to the Supreme Court, and here the decision of the lower court was reversed, and the slave was found guilty of manslaughter only. This decision of the Supreme was a great surprise to the people of the State, for it was commonly supposed that a slave was only property, and had no more right to resist the assaults of his master any more than a horse had. Dr. Battle declared it a land mark in the court decisions of North Carolina.

Washington's Birthday.

Next Friday, the twenty-second, Washington's birthday will be observed in the usual manner, as a holiday, and with the appropriate ceremonies customary on that occasion. Mr. J. E. Event, '01, of the Phi. Society, will be president, and Mr. G. L. Jones, of the Di., secretary. The orators are, from the Phi. Society, Mr. B. S. Skinner; from the Di., Mr. Whitehead Kluttz. The final speaker of the occasion is the Hon. Francis D. Winston.

Origin of the Rugby Game.

There has just been fixed in the famous garden wall of the headmaster's house at Rugby school, overlooking the playing fields, the following tablet to the memory of William Webb Ellis, which will interest football readers:

This Stone
Commemorates the Exploit of
William Webb Ellis
Who with a fine disregard for the
rules of football
As played in his time
First took the ball in his arms

and ran with it.
Thus originating the distinctive
feature of the Rugby game.

A. D. 1823.

—Minn. Daily.

The Elisha Mitchel Meets.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Mitchell Scientific Society last Tuesday night papers were read by Dr. H. V. Wilson and Mr. Isaac F. Harris. Dr. Wilson's paper was on the "Porto Rican Sponges," being an account of the method used for classifying a great number of sponges that has come into Dr. Wilson's hands for that purpose.

A few years ago an expedition was made to Porto Rico for the purpose of investigating its fauna and flora, and of the collections made portions were distributed to the great naturalists of the world, and to our professor of biology came the sponges.

Mr. Harris gave an account of the contention between two great German chemists—one asserting that phosphorous is transmutable to arsenic and the other declaring it impossible. Mr. Harris referred to the fact that chemists of modern times had laughed the transmutation theory of the old alchemists to scorn, but pointed to the attempt to transmute phosphorous into arsenic as a revival of the old theory.

The February German.

The largest and most successful Spring dance ever given by the German Club was held last Friday night in Gymnasium Hall. The leader, Mr. Emory G. Alexander introduced a number of remarkably pretty figures, and managed everything with the utmost smoothness and grace. He was ably assisted by his Floor Managers, Messrs. Will K. Battle and Graham Andrews.

Present were:
Miss P. Bridgers with Mr. K. Lewis
" R. Bridgers " " Root
" Bovlan " " A. Hanes
" Barbee " " Nunn
" Haywood " " Whitehead
" Haynes " " Holmes
" Moses " " Brenizer
" Bynum " " Rountree
" Busbee " " Cobb
" M. Jones " " Short
" Morson " " F. Hanes
" Latta " " Duffy
" N. Hinsdale " " Turner
" A. Hinsdale " " Ehringhaus
" Thompson " " A. Berkeley
" Lyon " " Payne
" Heartt " " Rankin
" Renn " " Carr
" Skinner " " Howell
" McRae " " Harris
" Battle " " Staton
" Burr " " Murphy
" Graham " " Graham
" Jones " " Clement
" Andrews " " Holt
" Primrose " " Lemly
" Archer " " Smathers
" C. Archer " " Galloway
" R. Battle " " Morehead
" Snow " " L. MacRae
" A. Snow " " Richardson

" Wall " " Cox
" Higgs " " Dunn
Stags: Messrs. Bynes, Carr, I. Lewis, J. MacRae, Pearson, Sharpe, Makeley, Holland, Cowles, Bell, Bernard, A. Henderson, Dr. Ruffin. The Chaperones were Dr. and Mrs. Mangum, Mrs. Hume, Dr. and Mrs. Baskerville, Professor and Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Graves, and Mrs. MacRae.

An Inquiry.

What has become of our proposed Glee Club? This is a question which has probably occurred to many of our students during the past few weeks and it is a question which should receive an answer at once, if anything is to be accomplished towards the organization of the club yet this year, for the weeks still remaining before the time for spring examinations are rapidly decreasing in number.

The project has surely not shared the fate of the University Forum without having even progressed so far as to be formally organized though present appearances would seem to indicate that it has come dangerously near to a like fate.

A very good beginning was made last fall and a great deal of interest seemed to be taken in the enterprise. Since the Christmas holidays however there has been a lull and nothing has been heard concerning the organization of the Club.

There is evidently a great need for such an organization in the University and there is abundant material in the student body from which to select men for a glee club, therefore why not push the matter and begin the work without delay. It is hoped that this little reminder will serve its purpose and stimulate those already interested to further exertions, besides, interesting other men in the undertaking. In closing it may be well to repeat that the weeks are passing rapidly and if anything is to be done, it must be done immediately.

L. '02,

The Tyrolean Concert.

The musical entertainment given by The Tyrolean Concert Company in Gerrard Hall on Thursday night February 7th, was greatly enjoyed by all. It attracted a larger crowd than any paid entertainment for some time. The music may not have been classical, there may have been in it discordant notes, but this was compensated for by Gremiat native costumes of the musicians. And it was the first time that lovers of German music have been taken into account in the selection of the concert companies. "Ich ken ein Thal," struck a responsive cord in the hearts of all the German students as they sat in rapt attention.

A telescopic photograph of the milky way, taken recently at the Harvard Observatory, shows more than 400,000 stars.