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In this issue the TAR HEEL appears under a totally changed management. Many of the members of the old board have passed already into the larger life, but their work will not soon be forgotten. They have raised the standard of the TAR HEEL to a plane that is pointed to with pride by the University, and viewed with envy by their successors. The twofold legacy of a lofty standard and a quest for stuff, zealous albeit enforced, which they have bequeathed to us we are proud to accept and will endeavor to leave to those who follow us at least unimpaired.

It gives us great pleasure to state that never before has the University entered upon a year under more auspicious circumstances. Every sign indicates that the present collegiate year will be the most prosperous through which Carolina has ever passed. The enrollment to date is already very nearly equal to the total enrollment for 1905-1906. The Senior class is large, promising to surpass in numbers the class of two years ago, which was the largest class that has graduated so far since 1861. The number of new students entering college this year is far in advance of that of any previous year, and the new men as a whole, show far better preparation than heretofore. The faculty has been increased by the addition of several instructors and assistants, and the equipment of the several departments has been rendered far more adequate, partly through the accession of new buildings, partly through the refitting of the old. The athletic outlook is good. In football we have one of the best coaches to be found in the United States and plenty of good material for him to work with. While only a few members of last year's team have returned to college there are new men in abundance from whose numbers the coach will be able to select a team worthy of those that we have turned out in the past. Already a strong nucleus for next spring's baseball team is on the Hill. In every way the prospects for the year show bright for the University.

We are brought face to face this year with a new condition in athlet-

ics. Through the loss of one of our most important football games this fall, the revenue from which has been in the past, the chief source of income of the Athletic Association, it has become necessary to institute an athletic fee. Prior to this time the collection of such a fee has never been a custom at U. N. C., and even now it is not compulsory, as it is at many colleges. It is left entirely to the option of the student whether or not he will pay the nominal fee of one dollar toward the support of his team. However we feel sure that there is not a man in the University who will not be glad to come forward and help as much as he can.

But it is not through dollars alone that he can render aid. Especially, if he be a man of strong physique, is he under obligations to go out on the field and work—not for himself, but for his University. The coach needs good men, and will need them to the last, and we feel that he will give every man a square deal according to his ability. The man who fails to go out and do his best on the gridiron when he has the requisite strength is failing in his duty toward himself and toward his college.

From the first, too, every man should appoint himself a committee of one to see that he gets out on the sidelines every afternoon. Get behind the team, cheer every good play, encourage the players. This counts for a lot, and we want more than ever before to get out a winning team this year. There are two reasons why we should desire this season to be a success, both financially and in point of games won. First: when Virginia withdrew from the Thanksgiving game she believed that she deprived us of our means of subsistence in the athletic world. Just as we have shown her in the past that we could outplay her in football we want to show her now that she is not indispensable to our athletic life. Second: we want to win every game possible, in order that Virginia may realize, when the season is ended, that the only reason we failed to win the game in Norfolk on Thanksgiving Day was that we didn't have the chance. There is only one way to accomplish this result—let, not every man on the team, but every man in the University go in to win.

While the mass meeting on Friday night could not be termed a success in regard either to numbers or to the amount of enthusiasm aroused, it was distinctly a success in so far as accomplishing the introduction of the new men to University ideals was concerned, and this was, we take it, the chief purpose of the meeting. The want of such a meeting has long been felt in University life. To the men just entering college this life is an entirely unknown quality and heretofore these men have been forced to accommodate themselves to it as best they could. Consequently in the past many men have failed to identify themselves with the Literary Societies, the Y. M. C. A., or the work on the athletic field simply through indecision resulting from

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ignorance of the conditions extant here. Such a meeting as this of Friday night, by introducing to the new student the ideals of the three great phases of University life, the mental, the moral, and the physical, must do much toward clearing this haze of indecision from his mind and helping him to determine upon taking active part in that life immediately. We believe that steps should be taken to insure the calling of such a mass meeting each succeeding fall.

**A Word to New Men.**

Already, in the mass meeting of Friday night, has the position which the Literary Societies occupy in college life been called to the attention of the men just entering college. However this position cannot be too strongly emphasized. No training that is to be found in any department of the University can contribute so directly toward the intellectual development of a man as does the training that is to be had in the Literary Societies. These societies afford practically the only training in debate that is to be found here, and a training that is thorough, as is proved by the results of our inter-collegiate debating contests. Incidentally the society work teaches a man to be at ease, and to think on his feet—a valuable acquisition, no matter what his walk in life. The man who fails to take advantage of the opportunity for such development is doing himself an injustice of which he must be fully aware.

Aside, though, from the standpoint of mental development, joining one of the two Literary Societies must be a good investment however you look at it. There is, for instance, no medium through which a man can so soon become acquainted with his fellow students as through that of the Literary Society. In the society hall he is brought face to face with men, made to learn them, as he is nowhere else in college. The society member must in spite of himself, have a more or less wide circle of acquaintances. His opportunity for the making of friends is unlimited.

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