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THE student body has now found that which it had lost, college spirit. Thursday night the speakers at the mass meeting spoke with frankness and power. They first made the students conscious of their listless spirit, showed them its depressing influence, and called upon them, in the name of all that the University meant to them, to shake off their listlessness and get together at once. The students responded and that right magnificently. This awakened college spirit means games fought harder and games won. To express it in a paraphrase:

Let us be spirited and the spirit  
that lies  
In our Varsity, sleeping but never  
dead,  
Shall rise in majesty to surpass  
our own.

It has justly been said that there is such a thing as running mass meetings in the ground. A continual holding of mass meetings makes the meetings monotonous and at times tiresome. The meetings after a while become a sort of a resort for a good yarn or recent anecdote. To persistently haul eleven sensible men into a meeting and idolize them is sickening to the men themselves. So far there have been just enough in numbers but one to many in kind. The first meeting from unforeseen causes was a howling farce, the second was one of the most healthful and beneficial ever held here. One or two more of the kind held last Thursday will be worth far more than a score of puerile outbreaks.

A good number of students doubt the practical efficacy of a mass meeting, cheers, songs, and such other demonstrations of college spirit. These men do not make up any indefinite **THEY** but are real flesh and blood people who are possessed of a sound love for the University. These very students, however, contradict themselves when they lament the lack of college spirit as shown by the lack of yells, cheers, and songs. Of course a half hearted yell, a listless cheer, a lagging song and all other artificial expressions of interest are absolutely of no avail. But an interested and loyal student body simply cannot keep quiet. Songs and yells come spontaneously and not in vain. There is a response

in every play, in every movement, in fact in every pulse beat of the men in the game.

In like manner a public speaker is responsive to his audience. If he speaks to empty benches, he loses half his power. Fill the house, and there will pass into him from the audience a something that will give him power beyond his own. Let the student body be too indifferent and too listless to raise a solitary yell or sing a lone song and the team will lose half of its power. Let that same team feel that it is a part and product of an interested and loyal student body and it will acquire a power and a force that is irresistible.

The rebel yell and Dixie were no mean factors in making the men who wore the grey the greatest soldiers of any time. They stir and they stir deeply. A man simply cannot hear either without almost craving a fight. Let us give our "Yackety Yack" and sing our "I'm a Tar Heel born" and we will have another example of a yell and a song sweeping all before them.

### Scrimmage Improving

The scrimmage between the 'Varsity and scrubs Tuesday afternoon was one of the best that that has been engaged in this year. The scrubs kicked off to the 'Varsity and bitterly contested every inch of ground, but after several minutes the latter succeeded in scoring a touchdown. After the next kick off the 'Varsity was forced to kick, and the scrubs got busy. A number of line plunges by McLean and Hedgpeth, and beautiful end runs by the latter, placed the ball on the 'Varsity's 5-yard line, but it could not be carried over. The scrubs were given two extra downs, and at last succeeded in crossing the goal. The 'Varsity again received the kick-off and by giving Belden the ball almost every time carried it to the scrubs' 6-yard line but could not score except by the aid of extra downs. The 'Varsity is very strong on defense, and by the addition of more power in attack should be able to gain ground on opposing elevens hereafter.

### According to the Ring Tum Phi

"The Ring Tum Phi" of Washington and Lee says in regard to the game in Newport News on Oct. 10th:

"The score does not tell the true story of the game, for to do justice to the Carolina team they should have won by at least twelve points. It was only by the stubborn defense put up by W. & L. at critical moments that this was prevented. Carolina's team work was almost perfect, and especially their forward pass, which they worked time and again for substantial gains. While the work of the team was not as good as it should have been, this showed up much more noticeably than it ordinarily would have done, on account of Carolina's good work."

The Economics Club met Monday at 7.30 and reorganized. Messrs. H. P. Osborne and B. H. Lewis read papers on the "Guaranty of Bank Deposits," after which there was a general discussion of this topic.

### The October Magazine

The October number of the University Magazine is in appearance and make up away ahead of any previous issue. The cover is of white paper vellum, with the title embossed in dark blue. The University seal is stamped upon the front page of the cover and the State seal upon the back. The quality of paper and printing throughout is good.

It is to be regretted that, in its entirety, the contents of the Magazine does not leave as favorable an impression as does its appearance. This is to be attributed in most part to the fact that the October number is the first of the year, and, like the 'Varsity football team, is made up largely of last year's scrubs. Individually, however, there are several especially good pieces. American Democracy and its Third Crisis, by W. P. Stacy, was the successful oration in the contest for the Mangum Medal at the last Commencement. "Newspaper Work for the Beginner," by Ralph H. Graves of the New York Evening Post, is a short but interesting statement of the requisites for successful newspaper work. "An Ether Experience," by J. T. Johnston, is realistic but without definite interest. "A Tragedy of the Banks," is an overwrought, improbable, and immature piece. "Two Incidents," by Hon. A. M. Waddell, is a short sketch upon two views of the immortality of the soul. There are several pieces of verse characteristically *Coffinesque*, but which are nevertheless of some worth. "Things Talked About," is a department devoted to the expression of student thought. The sketch department offers a field for less ambitious writers, and is in this number, as in most others, one of the very best chapters.

On the whole, the October number of the magazine is a step further along the right path, and the managers and editors are to be commended for what they have been able to do.

### Work on Tennis Courts Resumed.

Work on the tennis courts behind the gymnasium has taken another spurt. The courts are being laid off and the only other thing to be done is to put up the wire netting and the posts. This will be accomplished in the course of another week and play on the courts will begin. The work on the courts has gone forward rather slowly but "the mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceeding small." The tennis courts when finished will be the best in the state. All those wishing to use the courts should join the tennis association as probably only members of the association will be allowed to use the courts. There have been so few courts fit for use this fall that even the 'Varsity team has been unable to get a court some evenings. Meets have been arranged for the team, with Guilford and Wake Forest. Guilford to play on the 30th and 31st of October at Greensboro and Wake Forest to play on the 6th and 7th of November at Wake Forest. Meets are being arranged with six other teams, William and Mary, Davidson, Virginia, Randolph-Macon, Raleigh and Tarboro.

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