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THE time has not yet come for the University sermon. Visiting celebrities have departed for we know not where. Peace and quiet are trying to reign over the campus. But the Tar Heel's eye is skinned for bubbles upon the pool of college life. We hope that the Tar Heel's head will not also be skinned if it should be a little too zealous in pursuit of news. No one will have a fire or break a leg, or even loose a cow, or confiscate a load of junk. Yet such things that do take place, and some that we hope are yet to take place, will appear in our issue. And pray be patient, friends, we know that we are apt to get a little yellow, but we will not interview the Chief of Police. Something might be said about personal reasons for this, but but we are not growing reminiscent, even to fill up the news columns.

THERE will be a mass meeting Friday night. Its purpose is to see what can be done in regard to the proposed trainer. The track team needs him this spring. And we are going to get him. The meeting is going to be a good one. Good speakers from the faculty and the student body will talk to those present. Enthusiasm is incidental. Something is going to be done, with enthusiasm preferably, without it if necessary. But remember that it is to be an occasion. The band is coming. In fact just about everybody is coming. If you do not want to regret it, see that you come, too.

When you get there, help. We have got to get the trainer so we might as well begin. If we let this chance at strengthening our football team, making something of our track and basketball teams, and up lifting athletics generally go, there is something wrong. And that fault will be in us, and not in the proposed scheme.

WELL our readers are to get a partial rest for a space. The next issue of the Tar Heel is not exactly ours, but the Y. M. C. A's. It may be up to us to begin boosting this issue now, but just you wait and see it! Not knowing its exact nature we can not say much. And yet while we hesitate to commit ourselves upon our own paper, we believe that the next edition will contain something good.

THERE has been a general celebration of Poe's centennial throughout the South. Certainly it is time that he should meet with a part of the recognition due him. Virginia is to be congratulated upon her gifted alumnus and not alone upon Poe, but also upon the spirit that gives his genius recognition.

Most colleges do too little to spread the fame of its alumni. Carolina seems to do less than almost any of those who do little. As Dr. Smith suggested at the senior banquet, the outside world knows little of William R. Davie. But General Davie is not the only one. There are many why have gone from here and have seemingly been forgotten by us. They can get along without our praise, especially those that are dead, but can we get along without giving their merit recognition? We think not, and it looks to us as if we needed to make up this lack of appreciation of our worthy alumni in the future. The appreciation is here, we do not doubt that, but we should give voice to it.

A Proposition in Regard to Securing Athletes.

An outsider who knows nothing about our situation here, on hearing the frequent discussions on football would think that we will have the most powerful team in America next year. You cannot ask a man in college about the football material in his community but what he will say, "I have a 215 pounder I am going to bring here next year." Even now it is generally understood that the great policeman of Sanford, who shouldered a mule by the tail, will be here.

Big men are all right. We want all we can get, but big men will not make a football team. It takes weight, spirit, nerve, and the greatest prerequisite—experience. A man has to know how before he can do any thing. The more he knows about a thing the better he can do it. This is as much true of football as any thing else. The more a man knows about the game the better he could play it. We want experienced men. It is true that men get experience on the class and scrub teams, but this is not enough. We want men who have had experience before coming here. How can we get such experienced men?

We have a few prep. schools in the State which play football. We want more, for the prep schools of this State are our student recruit, and should be our athletic recruit. Oak Ridge and a few others are doing their part and we feel the good results. We have others that could do equally as well, but which are doing nothing notning, at least for athletics. Now there is the Appalachian Training School. If it can send a man like Story without his having had previous experience, what could it do if it had a man to train such men? It has plenty of material there now just as good physically as Story was, and these men could be developed if they had any way to become trained.

This brings up another important point. We must arrange for such prep schools to have their men trained. We must send our graduate players who want to teach, to these prep schools. We must get behind them and see that they get positions at these places. Now, we have Rogers, who graduates this year, and he would make a good man for some place, for he could coach both football and baseball. He has been an average student, an exceptional athlete, and we should try to place him in a good place, where he can do good for himself as well as the University. The Appalachian Training School is virgin soil in athletics. "Go" would not only make a good teacher there, but a good coach for both teams.

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