

THE TAR HEEL

Vol. 18

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPT. 16, 1909

NO. 1

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS

The Teams have been practicing for two weeks. Many veterans this year and an excellent Coach

It is almost impossible at this early stage to give an accurate statement with any degree of definiteness concerning our football prospects, football material being generally deceptive in its appearances. To say that a large bunch of strong, vigorous fellows have responded on the field, does not, by any means, warrant for us an invincible team. To announce that eighty five responded to Capt. Garrett's call does not signify of necessity that we will take every game on our schedule, nor does it assure us that Virginia will chew the clods in Richmond, Thanksgiving Day. But this we do know, that winning teams are developed out of fast and heavy men by an excellent coach. Ours is a squad of such description and ours a coach par excellence.

Many of the old monogram men have returned, but their positions are by no means reserved for them. If better men can beat them out well and good; they have a standing invitation to do so. The more competition here, the more ginger in inter-collegiate contests.

Preliminary practice began about two weeks ago. Coach Brides arrived on the first of the month and has been on the field regularly ever since. Capt. Garrett together with several former varsity men were already on the Hill and entered training immediately. The number of men on the field has been steadily increasing each afternoon until we have about eight teams on the gridiron for the coach's instruction.

The practice so far has consisted chiefly in learning to hold and start from position. Coach Brides has started from the ground up in introducing Yale's method of play. The men of last year have as much to learn in the way of standing in position and starting as the new men. This should be encouraging to the new men to say the least.

Coach Brides has made a fine impression on the football men and the students at large to begin with. Of necessity he thoroughly understands his business, having played on Yale's team as lineman, end, and back. He also treats the men on the field as gentlemen, a method that can but succeed among Southerners.

Those of the old varsity men who are back in the fray are: John Tillett, quarter, "Dicky" Belden and "Pearl" Crosswell, fullbacks, "Mac" Williams halfback, Deans, center, "Icky" Garrett, tackle, E. A. Thompson, guard, Ruffin, half-back.

Among the last year's scrubs who are in line for advancement this year are: Ferguson, Spainhour, McLean, R. C. Coleman, Oliver, J. F., Brown, L. A., lines-men; Belk, Lambeth, and Blalock, ends; McLean, E. C., Hedgepeth, and Wakely, backs. Some members of last year's freshman team who played noticeable ball are taking a try for varsity. They are Winston, Wood, Crutchfield, Hoffman, Barker, and Hill.

Of the new men little can be said as yet. So far sufficient time has not elapsed for any of them to show indications of being star players. They

OPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY

DR. VENABLE FORMALLY OPENS THE DOORS OF THE UNIVERSITY

A speech of welcome to new and to returning students

In pursuance of the request of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Venable formally opened the doors of the University Thursday morning, addressing a few words of welcome and advice to the students, old and new. His opening remarks were words of cordial greeting to the new men, bidding them welcome and assuring them of a home here and a place in college life soon to be determined. To the older students his words of greeting were somewhat shorter, but as sincere and deep felt. Theirs was a welcoming back again to the places they had made their homes.

Dr. Venable then spoke at length upon the improvements made at the University during the summer months—the enlargement of the electric lighting plant, the extensive work done on the campus, the new water line, and other such permanent improvements as the recent appropriation would allow. He explained that it had been the intent of the officers of the University to enlarge Gerrard Hall so that it might accommodate the entire student body, but that through lack of funds they were able only to resear it and repair the galleries. He further mentioned the fact that until such time as the reseating could be completed chapel exercises would be suspended.

Turning again to the new men Dr. Venable explained to them the workings of the University discipline, telling them of the Honor System, the University Council, and other organs of our self-governing student body. He pointed out to them the responsibilities as well as the privileges of such a government and called for them to take their stand as men in the ranks of University life.

Coming to the college life of every day he showed them that it did not consist merely in the making of high grades on classes, though that in itself was highly creditable; but that college life did consist in the accepting, by every student, of the life here as it came to him, in the dormitories, in the class-rooms, or on the athletic field. He laid stress on the point that in order to get what is best out of college life it is every student's duty and should be his pleasure to develop his body by some kind of steady athletic training. Thus only would a student make himself the well-rounded University man—neither muscles without the mind to direct nor mind without the muscles to uphold.

In concluding Dr. Venable expressed his sincere thanks to those members of the student body who so faithfully worked during the summer in the interests of their alma mater. Their labors, he said, had done much toward making a larger enrollment of students and a greater University.

seem to be taking the coaching in the proper spirit and that means a great deal. As the practice goes on each will have the opportunity to show his metal. It's up to him to seize the chance and prove himself worth something. The change of system this year gives the new players a better chance than usual.

BIG TIME COLLEGE NIGHT

THE ACTIVITIES OF UNIVERSITY LIFE ARE PRESENTED TO THE NEW MEN

All the speeches do credit to the speakers and honor to the University

Last Thursday night at 7:30 as many of the students of the University as had any hope of getting standing room were wending their way toward the Chemistry Building. When all standing room in the large lecture room and the adjoining hall had been taken, the meeting was called to order by W. Hoke Ramsaur, president of the Young Men's Christian Association, for the object of interest to so many students was the annual College Night Meeting held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

When Mr. Ramsaur looked into the faces of those before him, he could but notice one face there that for a long time was so familiar at Carolina mass meetings. When his name was mentioned, the crowd would not be satisfied until they heard from John A. Parker, once a bulwark for Carolina in the center of her football line and also known as all-American Yackety-Yack man. John A. arose and, after a few preliminaries stating his pleasure at again being on the Hill, remarked that the source of the greatest pleasure to him was our football prospect. He was glad that once more we were to return to the Yale tactics that did such wondrous things for us in 1905. It gave him still more pleasure that we should return to them under such a master hand of them as Coach Brides. John A. closed with the remark that not only was he pleased with conditions here but that there were in Charlotte a hundred and twenty-five alumni that would rejoice as much as he when they heard the news.

When a thundering yell had been given for John A. Parker, the crowd voiced its sentiments in continuous calls for Coach Brides. Mr. Brides stated that it was with the greatest pleasure that he accepted the position of coach at our University. He had been offered many tempting positions in the North but he had preferred to come South. He then went on to mention some of the advantages of being an athlete. How the shoulders of an athlete were so broad as to make his head seem small in comparison and how the shoulders of the grind were so narrow as to make him seem big-headed.

The next speaker after the coach was one of the regular program, Mr. D. B. Teague, whose subject was "The Honor System". His remarks were substantially as follows: The name, Honor System, is misleading. We should rather say the honor principle. The so-called honor system is no set of rules by which we are governed; it is a spirit dominant in University life. However, if it should be thought necessary two or three short rules might be evolved from the honor spirit. For example, it is not in accord with the honor principle for a man to cheat in the class room nor for a man to indulge in hazing. The machinery of the honor system consists only of the University council, a body of men

(Concluded on fourth page)

Y. M. C. A. WELCOME MEETING

Speeches by Pres. Venable, Prof. Graham, Prof. Stacy, and Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh

Last Sunday afternoon the Young Men's Christian Association held a meeting of welcome in the Methodist Church, the Chapel being out of use. Dr. Venable presided over the meeting. The Rev. Mr. Wildman of the Baptist Church of the village opened with a beautiful and touching prayer.

Dr. Venable then arose to say a word of welcome. He said in substance: I accepted the invitation of the Young Men's Christian Association to speak on this occasion gladly. Altho I never undertake to make a speech with pleasure yet how could I but be glad to render this little service to the Y. M. C. A. which has been most serviceable and helpful to me. Its young men do the most that is done to upbuild the University. In looking over its history we see that it has been long and full of glory. It was founded here before the war and was one of the first to be founded in a college in this country. It is doing a great work in the community. Its young men at a great self-sacrifice have undertaken to spread the gospel thro the rural district around our little village. The Y. M. C. A. can always be counted on for good. The welcome I extend to you is theirs, the best and strongest young men in the University. I regret that we could not have this meeting in the Chapel so that there might be room for more of you. However we are most grateful to the congregation which customarily holds service in this church. There is one kind of man we all admire, a manly man. You will find the men in the Y. M. C. A. manly men. There is no effeminacy about them. They invite you to band together with them and they offer you many good things. Their building is the center of the social life of the campus. Under their auspices you will find the Bible Study classes and many other good things. A man is not much of a man who is ashamed to join with the right. Personally, I most cordially recommend that every one of you to become a member of the Y. M. C. A.

Prof. M. H. Stacy Speaks

Dr. Venable then introduced Prof. M. H. Stacy, of the advisory committee of the Y. M. C. A. A brief summary of Prof. Stacy's remarks is as follows. The Advisory Committee of the Y. M. C. A. is composed of men in all parts of the state, men of business, lawyers, teachers, all interested in the boys here. A boy of what ever kind he be, does not go far in college life before he asks himself the question, why am I taking all this education? I am going to take law, how will quadratic equations help me. The most of what you learn here, young men, you will soon forget. What do you get then? You get the development and training of your powers by your mastery of your subjects. What we want here is to develop full-rounded men. We have the means for physical development. Yonder stands a beautiful, well-equipped gymnasium. Yonder are two athletic fields and an

(Concluded on sixth page)

Dr. L. R. Wilson