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THERE are some ten or twelve men in the senior class who have done more in the four years since they have been in college towards the betterment of campus life than any set of men ever did here before. It would afford us the greatest pleasure to publish the names of these men in a roll of honor that no honor roll of any institution in the land could measure up to. But these men are not seeking glory. They have been and still are actuated by no lower impulse than the desire to promote a cleaner, truer life on the University campus. Some of these men have received honors at the hands of their class-mates and of the University. Others have gone their way quietly and no one has suspected the power behind that calm exterior. We believe that these men ought to be proclaimed but they themselves cannot see the question that way and we think that we are in their debt enough to acquiesce to the wishes in this one particular. If any one doubts the statement that these men have accomplished so much let him look about and compare conditions of life here in nineteen hundred and six and in nineteen hundred and nine. When the class of nineteen hundred and ten entered college hazing in all its most degrading forms was thriving on the campus. This fall the only attempt at hazing has been a little dancing and singing and this only lasted a night or two. Also in nineteen hundred and six and seven card-gambling was fairly widespread.

Now such a thing is practically unknown. Up to last year it was common for drunken students to keep the college awake at night with their hideous carousals on the campus. Now the space about the well is as quiet at midnight as at one thirty A.M. To one who knows the inside workings of such a reformation as this the reformers appear in their honor, but to the ordinary out-sider that quiet man, who seldom speaks and who always seeks to obliterate himself, is simply a fellow to meet and speak to and then forget. But we are not the first to remark that these silent, dreamy looking men will bear watching. First think of the power behind that calm, none of it wasted in vain display, all of it stored up for use when the time of need shall come. These are the men to whom the most honor is due. We publish these few words simply to show that tho their deeds are not heralded on the highways, yet in the eyes of those who know there are no greater men than these same slow, irresistible dreamers.

THE all-state preparatory school elevens which we are publishing in this issue are the selections of Messrs. W.M.Gaddy and J.H.Manning of the Horner Military School. Both these men graduated here last year. Mr. Gaddy was athletic editor of the Tar Heel last year and was a member of the scrub football team several years. During his stay in college there was no man more interested in athletics than Mr.Gaddy and no one perhaps, who did more towards it's advancement. Mr. Manning was a member of the football squad for two years and was one of the best ends we have ever had. Both these men have been with the Horner football team this year and have thus seen many of the preparatory school teams in action. Besides such qualifications as these for judging the football ability of the players in the state the judges have also asked the opinions of the different coaches of the elevens of the state. With such safeguards as these we feel safe in asserting that no one in the state was better qualified than these two gentlemen for choosing the all-state Prep.eleven.

As the Tar Heel has always maintained we need more experienced football players on our team. Our team always show up well until they buck up against a crowd of veterans. Then the difference in experience tells immediately. There is no necessity to give instances of this. Any one who has followed closely the record of our team for the past three or four years can point out numerous instances where inexperience was the only thing that kept the Carolina team from winning. For instance we have not had an experienced quarter back here since nineteen hundred and five. As a result we haven't had a championship team since then. The men we have may be all right when they get the experience, but the University of North Carolina cannot afford to put out a weak team three years while waiting for a quarter back to develop. On the other hand consider the fine material that is each year developed in our high schools. The men who chose the all-state Prep.elevens claim that the man they chose for quarter-back is the peer of the best quarter-back, probably that Virginia has ever had. And there is another man right over here at Durham almost as good. Now why can't we get such men as these to come here? The University is recognized by the best institutions in the South at which to get literary training. Then why do all these good athletes go somewhere else to get their education? It is simply because other schools take pains to present themselves to promising players in the best light possible. Some we understand go so far as to offer pecuniary inducements. Of course Carolina can never stoop to such as this. However we can exert ourselves to place the institution before the eyes of the Prep.schools in the very best light possible. It would of course, be much better if we could sit still and let the students make their choice without any inducements from any quarter. But all the other colleges round about are tooting their horns with all the wind they have. Carolina must make a noise like something or she will be over-looked in the din.

THE Dramatic Club and its production Thursday night have had their horns blown sweetly and profusely. This is not another toot. President Venable took occasion to mention dramatics as a legitimate university activity. And so it is. We are slow to realize it here where we associate the stage only with strolling players. But if we take a glance at proceedings in other great universities such as Harvard and Chicago we may understand what a very great influence the drama

may wield. The drama will develop the aesthetic side of university life. It is a common criticism of the university that there are so very few works of art here and that these few are so unappreciated. No wonder. The average student here wouldn't know a beautiful building from a cowshed. We understand that the production of the dramatic club Thursday night is to be a masterpiece of a beauty loving master. Everyone who doesn't go to see the play will be doing himself an injustice. A vivid appreciation of every thing beautiful adds more to the joy and sweetness of life than any thing else can. In most however this appreciation has to be developed. It is high time we were getting about developing it.

It has come to our ears—about the last to which it comes we suspect—that there is much grumbling because we insist on publishing the directory twice a week. These grumblers should remember one or two things while they mutter. In the first place the Tar Heel has been placed in the hands of a set of men this year who have had no experience in newspaper work. These men are doing what they can to put thru a new scheme in publishing the paper. If every thing doesn't turn out to suit you personally, why, try to be at least a little charitable in your views. It's not every man that can run a newspaper as you could. It would also be well to remember that the Tar Heel has never before been published this last month of the year. The University has never before put off examinations till after Christmas and as a consequence the month of December this year will not be the month of activity it will doubtless come to be later. Then one other morsel to feed your thought. You are reading the Tar Heel twice a week this year and each issue contains as much reading matter as did a single issue last year. Sometimes we are forced to believe that Charles Darwin slipped up in one detail. He said that all men are descended from monkeys. We believe that some have sprung from hogs—the more you give them, the more they want, and they are eternally grunting.

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