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In chapel Monday morning Dr. Venable spoke to the students on the question of the undue prominence of athletics in college life. As he himself stated Dr. Venable came to no definite conclusion but it seemed to us that he rather thought the trend of public opinion was right and the athlete deserves all the glory and the admiration that he gets, also that the scholar is getting his just portion when he gets none. Dr. Venable didn't mention the men of literary distinction in his comparison with athletics but spoke only of the scholar, the Phi Beta Kappa man. In a former editorial we tried to get a just comparison of the different sets of men and we think that even above the scholar, if anything, ought to come the literary men. However only the scholars were mentioned in chapel. Dr. Venable stated as his belief that the reason the athlete so shines in the eyes of the student body is that his deeds are essentially unselfish and that, on the other hand the man who seeks honor in his books is working solely for himself and the students know it. We believe this to be a superficial view to take in respect to the scholar. It is true that the football player wins renown for his college. We believe that this reason actuates our representatives to a certain extent. But remember that the renown does not all go to the university. A big share goes to the player himself. A selfish personal ambition urges on the athlete as well as the unselfish desire to win for his alma mater. To work solely for the glory of something else than one's self comes rarely indeed—to anyone. It is simply a question of to what extent each man is incited by personal ambition. Dr. Venable further stated that the business of the university is to make citizens. This statement we believe is generally accepted as true. The man to be honored then, it seems to us, is the man, who aids the university all he can, who does the most he can to turn out good citizens. Here is where the scholar does his work. Never before, as today, have trained minds been so largely in demand. The better trained a man's mind the better chance he has to render service. The state today doesn't need horsepower. It needs the power of mind. Then who is giving himself better training for citizenship, the man who spends most of his time and who centers all of his energies upon hardening his muscles, or the man, who is training his mind so as to meet problems and to overcome them with certainty

and dispatch? Which is going to do his state more good? When the athlete leaves college he leaves with a magnificent physical foundation on which he may build his mental abilities but he's got a mind that has not learned the methodical and quick way in which to tackle problems. When the scholar leaves college he goes forth with a mind well able perhaps to solve any tangle his state may be in or to contrive any way in which the advance of his state may be quickened. Such a man can but be the more valuable citizen to the state. The business of the university is to turn out citizens. The better the citizen the more glory to the university, the more honor to the individual who brings it. Then why do our scholars stand accused of selfishness before the whole student body and by the head of the university? Shall we forget the man who brings the greatest renown to his alma mater in future years and glorify the man who merely brings the transient enthusiasm of the hour? Does the university feel prouder of Senator Ransom or of the captain of last year's football team?

With Other Colleges

Three or four decades ago, when Yale Chapel exercises were humdrum, the hard seats disciplinary and college unities outside Chapel more intense, an undergraduate vote in favor of abolishing Chapel would probably have polled its stalwart majority. Of late years repeated votes of the undergraduates in favor of compulsory Chapel index the change in college sentiment induced by the argument for a common meeting place and by Chapel exercises more aesthetic and attractive. In such conditions the movement now afoot to secure a larger attendance at Chapel of members of the Faculty is well-grounded in logic and fitness—besides having the force of example. In a rough way the undergraduate body at Chapel may be divided into two parts—one, a minor part, that views Chapel on its austere side, deems it a form of discipline and a hardship; the other and major part that takes the devout or sentimental view, sees in Chapel with its thousand massed faces the symbol of a unified Academic life and cherishes a ceremonial at once dignified and uplifting. To the one group on its lowly plane of ideals, to whom Chapel is irksome, there comes at least the vague sense of justice in the Faculty's sharing its lot—on the enlarged Campus scale the feeling of the boy who, kept after school, comforts himself with the thought that the teacher must stay, too. To the other and majority group, with its higher ideals, the joining of the Faculty in the daily ceremonial of worship that dates back two centuries in the life of the college must come as a token of sympathetic relationship and of a unity not limited to the undergraduates—Extract from the Yale Alumni Weekly, November 26th.

West Raleigh, Nov. 27.—Three hundred of the students, together with the cadet band, left Raleigh Thursday at 1 a. m. and arrived at Norfolk at 7 a. m. The streets of Norfolk resounded with the yells and songs of the Carolinians until it was time to go out to the game between A. and M. and V. P. I. If the team had played one-half as well as the students rooted, there would have been a different story to tell. The students were not in uniform, but all had an A. and M. pennant, arm-band or cap. Fairfax Hotel, the stopping place of the A. and M. team, was thronged the whole day by A. and M. enthusiasts and yell after yell was given for the team. The students left Norfolk at 9 p. m., arriving at Raleigh at 7 a. m. The college authorities gave Friday

morning as a half holiday so that the returning cadets could recuperate from their arduous journey.

Durham, Nov. 27.—Thanksgiving Day was a general holiday and the students took advantage of it in various ways. Many took long walks through the woods around the college, while others went home to spend the day. Two picnics were given, one by the A. T. O. fraternity at Mr. Duke's home about ten miles in the country on the Chapel Hill road. The other was an independent one got up by several of the students and took place near the college. A large delegation went to Norfolk to see the A. and M. boys get walloped by V. P. I.

Wake Forest, Nov. 29.—Wake Forest celebrated yesterday and all college work was practically suspended. The victorious debating team returned from Ashland on the evening train and was met at the station by over two hundred wildly yelling students. Borne aloft on the shoulders of the cheering crowd the speakers were carried from the depot to Memorial hall, rows of bonfires lighting up the way for the triumphal entry and signaling to the outside world the fact that Wake Forest has met another foe in debate and has triumphed. The procession was headed by the band and the students marching behind the speakers kept up a continual uproar with songs and yells.

The hall was filled and the walls literally shook with the tumult. Songs and yells filled the air and the student body stood for five minutes giving vent to its pent-up enthusiasm, waving pennants and tossing hats high into the air. Besides the student body there were present quite a number of the ladies of the hill who entered into the jubilee with great zest.

Dr. E. W. Sikes presided and after the song, "O, Here's to Wake Forest", made a brief address of welcome to the returning heroes. He then called on "Bull" Collins to speak in behalf of the student body. In his own inimitable style Collins made a speech that set the crowd to yelling anew. He spoke of enthusiasm and how much it has accomplished. Rome won victories so long as she celebrated them on the return.

Dr. Poteat, who accompanied the debaters to Ashland, was asked to tell how it was done. He told how the fellows clearly outclassed the Randolph-Macon boys in every point of the debate. He then spoke highly of Randolph-Macon as a college, saying that it is one of the strongest of our smaller Southern colleges. He quoted the president of Randolph-Macon as saying that they were too much interested in athletics.

Dr. Poteat read a congratulatory telegram from Dr. J. W. Lynch and there was more yelling.

After Carrick, alternate, gave a number of amusing incidents connected with the debate and the debaters, the heroes of the day, Jones and Johnson, were called on. Jones spoke first, saying that it was the backing that Wake Forest gave her debaters that had led her so often to victory. Johnson gave some of his experiences before and after the debate. Dr. Sikes then declared the meeting adjourned until we meet to celebrate our victory over Davidson Easter.

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