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The true Carolina spirit was present in that meeting which the seniors held Saturday with the new men as their guests. We say the "true" college spirit because the meeting in its purpose and in what it accomplished expressed, as we believe, the thought and the feeling of the student body. It was the expression of the Honor System, or rather of the honor spirit as it has worked itself out in the consciousness of men who have lived here for the greater part of four years. What should be the attitude of men coming from homes and schools that have kept a watchful eye on their conduct into an atmosphere of liberal freedom; where in fact, they are compelled to do nothing but to choose for themselves? What should be the relation of the new men to those who have been here one, two and three years? These questions were discussed with an earnestness which their importance deserved.

The honor system has proved its claim to our loyalty and enthusiastic support. It creates conditions under which men develop their best. The University takes a man on his honor and trusts him while here to do the honorably and manly thing. It has no system of surveillance by which the students are made to feel continually that they are under restraint of some higher authority. It regards the men who come here as men rather than children and as gentlemen rather than otherwise. Who, that has the least bit of manhood, could fail to respond to such treatment by striving to be worthy of the confidence imposed in him? It is this opportunity for the development of manhood under the best conditions, this incentive to the choice of the right without compulsion that makes the honor system the best influence in our college life.

What should be the attitude of the man who finds himself for the first time in such an environment as we have tried to describe? It may take him some time to adjust himself to the new conditions. He may fail to realize the true meaning and significance of the freedom into which he is suddenly brought. He needs the help of men who have been here longer than he in finding out 'where he is at' It was for this purpose that the senior class held a meeting and invited the freshmen to it Saturday. That the results of the meeting were good, no one who was present could doubt. Would it not be a good custom for the Seniors and freshmen to hold a similar meeting at the beginning of each year?

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The success of the Honor System is based on inherent manhood and self respect. It is futile where these qualities are not found. The men that composed the blacking crowd that was out Saturday night in malignant opposition to the sentiment of the student body cannot be appealed to on grounds of honor. This happened just after the freshmen class had pledged itself to use its influence against hazing while in college. It was an attempt on the part of a few men to undo what the student body had been striving to do. Such a cowardly and diabolical act could only have been done by men who have not the least sense of fairness—to say nothing of a regard for decency and for the welfare of the University.

We wish to call attention to the notice of the \$100 prize offered for the best essay by an ungraduate student on "Internation Arbitration."

Doubtless there are a good many men in college who will have time to prepare an essay for this contest, and it would be a good idea to begin early. The study of this question would be worth the while whether one won the prize or not. The University library has a particularly good collection of books on the subject of arbitration.

Two letters have recently been received from the University of Tennessee asking that arrangements be made for some games of basket ball between the two universities. We have some good material in college, and it is to be hoped that the necessary arrangements can be made.

What Others Are Doing

From the Idea, (Kentucky):

With the new change of rules in football this year, every man that knew the game thoroughly, was, perhaps, a scintillating star last year, excelled in every department of the pigskin game, has had to unlearn all he ever knew and learn the game over again. While this worked a hardship on the old men, it created a more open game, lessened the chances for injuries and gave the new material a better chance than ever to "make good." Under Coach Sweetland's coaching the squad has been drilled into as good form as is possible this early in the season and every one of the forty-five men in the squad, to say nothing of the whole school, are looking forward to a glorious victory with Ohio next Saturday.

The following old men are back and will help build up this year's Southern Champions: Hendrickson, Shanklin, Webb, Campbell, Babb, Gaiser, Threlkeld, Dunlap and Meadors. The new material are showing up well and this in connection with the class game promises to develop some good men. The following changes are some that have been made this year:

A man when making a tackle must have one foot on the ground.

A forward pass cannot be made over twenty feet.

The quarter-back can either play his regular position or occupy a position in the backfield.

These changes, with a few others, eliminate the most dangerous plays and make the game more open and consequently more enjoyed by the spectators.

From College Topics (Va):

According to the statistics in the office of the Registrar, after the close of registration on Thursday evening, more than 600 students had matriculated at the University of Virginia for the present session. This is somewhat lower than the figures of the corresponding time last year, but this is only natural, considering the con-

ditions; and, on the whole, the present showing is very satisfactory.

The Virginia team will average about 160 pounds, which, though lighter than last year's team, may be better able to work than under the rules of 1909 team would have been. The rules favor light, fast teams, as the Carlisle Indians have so far demonstrated, and today's game will show the University whether they will also favor Virginia's men.

S. B. Houaker, All-South-Atlantic quarterback, of the Varsity, 1907 and '08, and captain elect, 1908, has decided not to enter college during the coming season. Although urged repeatedly by his friends Honaker decided that it would not be advisable for him to re-enter the University owing to the promising position he holds at the present time with the Santa-Fe Railroad.



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