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In the death of Dr. Palmer Cobb, the University has suffered a distinct loss. Just in the prime of his life, Dr. Cobb was considered a man of exceptional ability in his chosen line of work. All who knew him, respected and admired him. The entire campus unites in a feeling of sorrow and regret at the untimely passing of a strong and able man into the valley of the shadow.

With the first meet but little more than a month off, Coach Cartmell is exceedingly anxious to begin real track work. He wishes to size up the quantity and quality of his material as soon as possible. In view of that Capt. Ruffin asks all track candidates to present themselves at the gym this afternoon at 3:30.

Go down and have a talk with the Coach. You may have the makings of a gold medal vaulter, jumper or hurdler for all you know. Let the Coach look you over and he'll soon enlighten you. Don't allow your bashfulness to stand in the way of a varsity sweater.

In today's issue of the Tar Heel appears a letter by Professor John M. Booker, of the Department of English criticizing from a rather favorable point of view the performance by the Dramatic Club of "She Stoops to Conquer" on last Monday night. The letter owes its inspiration, probably, to a feeling of trying to right what a number of people in the community consider a wrong that the Tar Heel did the dramatic organization in preparing for the last issue a criticism of the play that was spread abroad to be highly unfavorable in its review of the performance, and later of saying nothing at all about the play. We are very glad to print the letter for in our humble and inexperienced opinion as to running a paper—in college or out in the world—all sides should be heard.

Herein lies the rub. The members of the Dramatic Club, their friends and many who were well pleased with the play did not evidence any desire to be so fair. As soon as they heard that the play would be "roasted," as they expressed it, off they hurried to the President of the University. In other words they wanted the Tar Heel to be censored. The President naturally told them that this was not a matter of executive discipline, and kept hands off.

A bigger issue is involved here than whether the play on Monday night

was good or not; whether the Tar Heel was just or unjust in its criticism that, on account of the peculiar circumstances, under which the issue was gotten out, was left out. Has the Tar Heel the right to knock if it wants to knock? Undoubtedly the principal aim of a college paper is to boost everything that goes on in college. But if it has to swallow everything that comes along who is going to believe it when it says that something is good? Who will read the paper with any interest or any confidence?

The point has been made that, although this is perfectly true, the policy of the paper was suddenly and violently changed to the disadvantage of the Dramatic Club gentlemen. Since when, however, did the present occupant of the sanctum cease trying to rub it into a certain football team we had not more than three months ago or telling the present successful band of basket-ball boomers their weak points? Did they scream for help? Did they seek the authorities? And is it not a fact that some of those who yell the loudest now were grand opera stars in the swelling chorus that "knocked" the football team almost off its feet?

Whatever weak protest the Tar Heel might have uttered would not have killed dramatics in the University. It was hoped that it would help give Mr. McKie a larger and better group of talent to work with next year and a play of more interest. Dramatics here is not such a lowly worm as to be mashed under the heel by the adverse opinion of one man.

Lastly, gentleman, if you have anything to complain of, come to the editor. If he does not give you satisfaction, appeal to the Athletic Association from which he derives his power. BUT PLEASE DON'T SPILL TEARS ON THE PRESIDENTIAL LAWN EVERY TIME SOMETHING HAPPENS THAT YOU DON'T LIKE.

## Professor Collier Cobb Speaks

Professor Collier Cobb delivered last Tuesday night in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium the regular weekly lecture of the series which is being given by the Young Men's Christian Association. The lecture was in the words of the speaker, a lesson from the registrar's records. Professor Cobb said that he had looked up the records which a great many men he had known had made in college in order to see what conclusions he might draw from them.

"Before the civil war," said Professor Cobb, "a student was judged by his class room work and his debating for these were the only college activities of the time. M. W. Ransom and J. J. Pettigrew stood at the top of their class. But since then so many other activities have taken a place in college life that even a brilliant man may not be able to lead his class and also enter into the other phases of college life. Thus, many of our greatest living alumni did not lead their classes but I noticed that each and everyone of them did good consistent work in the class room. On the other hand, some of the star students did not do so well in after life. They, while in college stuck to their books, burned the midnight oil, and did not mingle with their fellow students. We can draw two conclusions from this. They are:

"First, the men who are doing the world's work today are college men who made their studies their chief pursuit while in college, but who engaged in various college activities and mingled with their fellow students.

"Second, The men of to-day who led their classes while in college, but who made their studies their sole pursuit, and who did not mingle with their fellow students are not now the leaders of the people."

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