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Whether we went to see the game in the Capitol City or had, for various and sundry reasons, to remain on the Hill, we were with our team. We know that the men who represented us and the state on the football field fought to the last ditch and did their part like men. But they were up against a better team that fought just as hard. We were beat cleanly and well. We have no excuses. Next Saturday we go up against what is conceded to be an even better team. But that does not mean anything about the score. If we are beat it will have to be after the two teams have lined up on the field and until the last whistle blows in the fourth quarter.

We have got a hard row to hoe. Every team that we play from now to Thanksgiving is a team thoroughly worthy of everything that we have. Our team this year has one of the hardest schedules that any Carolina team has had to buck up against. But that is what makes it worth while. If we lose every game from A to Izzard we will lose because we were beat. But as long as muscle is muscle and brains remain brains we have the sublime intention and right of not getting beat.

While the rest of us continue inactively to pull for a Greater University the majority of the County Clubs, following the Pro-Yackety Yack custom, likewise maintain the established order of things by holding one organizing meeting, one feasting meeting, and one picture meeting. But there is at least one notable exception to this manner of lifelessness. The Johnston County Club is really justifying its existence. It is aiding in the securing of new students for the University and is aiding in the extension of the usefulness of the institution to the people of the state.

Here is a fine opportunity for the other County Clubs—and they are legion—to follow a good example and start on something constructive for the good of the University and for the good of the state. If all the Clubs should really get into the thing and try to see how many new students they could get, why in a few years from now we would have a place here so prosperous that we would not know it when we returned to our class reunion in nineteen-unseen. Why not start a little something here and give it a tryout.

"ROOT."

Root, and the world roots with you,

Knock, and you're on the shelf. For the world gets sick of one who'll kick,

And wishes he'd kick himself.

Root when the sun is shining, Root when it starts to rain.

If you happen to fall, don't lie there and bawl,

But get up and root again.

Root for your own advancement,

Root for the things sublime, For the chap that's found on the topmost round

Is the rooter every time.

"Changed."

—Exchange.

UNITY AND ACCOMPLISHMENT

Eight hundred students united with a common purpose and led by a faculty of seventy-five men determined for some end would be invincible; but all the hosts of heaven fighting against one another and pulling in opposite directions could not overcome three devils, provided that the devils had a common purpose, as most devils do.

We are in the superstitious condition of the hosts of heaven. There is not one single, solitary, thing here about which all the students are agreed or for which all the students work. If two or three, a dozen or a hundred students try to accomplish something, there are always two or three, a dozen or a hundred who oppose that something. Worse than this opposition, which at least shows an interest in affairs here, there are eight hundred ten, seven hundred ninety, or six hundred other students who take no interest at all in the thing. If it is a Glee Club there are about forty who take an active supporting part, another forty who are mildly enough interested to know that there is such a thing as a Glee Club; about ten disgruntled individuals who oppose it, and seven hundred to whom the Glee Club is about as vital as an immediate solution of the query, Resolved: That fire is mightier than water. Dramatics, the publications, the Y. M. C. A., the obtaining of good men as new students, athletics, and everything else here are in the same small boat as far as support goes. We will venture the statement that out of eight hundred students here last year there were six hundred who knocked the teams and coaches for something during the year. Of the other two hundred at least one ninety-nine did not take enough interest in athletics to know what to knock about.

The faculty, too, are in the same superstitious condition as the celestial hosts.

Now we submit that for so long as the faculty and the students are divided among themselves and against themselves, for just that length of time will we remain a small and dissatisfied potato among other potatoes. Further than that we submit that until there is a concerted movement among the faculty and the students for better things, and until both the faculty and the students get together with the common purpose of pushing things that are already started, and of starting new things, until that time we shall remain about where we are. If we are ever to amount to anything it will be because we decide to work for it. We can't merely stand around and exhibit a fine crop of individualism gone to seed. Individualism is all right when wisely administered. But when there

are things to be done it is not the individual who does them. Then the man that counts is not the one who is eternally thinking about how he looks and how he can act to impress people with the mighty weight of his individualism. The man that counts then, though, is the one who can forget himself and his impressions and get down with other men who are made of clay and work for the things that are to be accomplished.

WHEN ON THE SIDE LINES.

Side-line etiquette? Although it has fallen very much into disuse here, there is still such a thing. This etiquette means that on the football field no one will make it necessary for the game to be stopped and the crowd to be requested to get back behind the ropes in order that the teams may continue to play. It means that no one will direct unseemly and prepish remarks against the other team or against the individual members of the other team. It does not allow the spectators to hiss an opponents coach, especially when that coach happens to have been a former Varsity captain here. It goes further than this, even. It causes the students to refrain from crowding upon the field during practice and thus interfering with the work of the coaches and players in getting us out a good team. It means that we will be considerate. In fact it just means that we will continue to be gentlemen even though we are at the same time spectators at a football game or practice.

At the V. P. I. Game in Raleigh we appreciated the yells our brother college gave for our team. Yet high as was our appreciation of the spirit which caused them to support their fellow institution, our pleasure was tinged with one regret—that two hundred fifty University students could go to Raleigh with the expressed purpose of supporting and yelling for their team and then allow students of A & M. who happened accidentally to go to the game to beat us out yelling for our men. The support the the A & M. boys gave our men made our feeble attempts look like a dinky engine beside the real thing. Now we appreciate our brother collegians' support; but it isn't right for us to depend entirely upon them to do the yelling for us. Let's get out and have a little yell and song practice once or twice a week and see if we can't do something on our own hook.

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