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## THE DAVIE PORTRAIT

A priceless and unique legacy; the life-size profile portrait of General William Richardson Davie, founder of the University, and illustrious warrior, statesman, jurist and diplomat. This is the only life size portrait of General Davie, made from life, in existence and was made one hundred and twenty years ago, just eleven years after the founding of the University, while he was at the zenith of his illustrious career as minister to France; and made by one of the greatest artists of that age. Princeton University, Davie's Alma Mater, is now having a copy made of one of the portraits of Davie to be preserved at that institution.

The University is glad to come in possession of this portrait of its Father; and shall be glad to keep it perpetually. We appreciate the kindly thought and deed of Mr. Ball, and believe that the portrait could have come to no person or party who is prepared to appreciate it more, or guard it more sacredly than the University of North Carolina.

## LIMIT YEARS AGO

The University reached its limit to care for students several years ago; and last year its every bit of teaching force and material equipment was overburdened to the very limit. The number of students on the Hill at one time reached thirteen hundred and fifty. To care for this number housing space on the campus and in town was overloaded about sixty per cent, and dining halls were overloaded about seventy per cent. There was a shortage in classroom, library, laboratory, gymnasium, administrative, and Y. M. C. A. space and also in teaching force and in athletic fields. In the face of these conditions the students packed themselves down and set to work, thinking that those responsible would recognize the difficulties they were in and bring relief. A year has passed and no relief has come. The situation becomes ever more tense.

And yet the State seems surprised that the size of the student body has not increased by two or three hundred this year. Now can it jump in size when, after overloading every bit of available space, one student remained here for a great part of last year without a room. This year, by re-sacking, we have thirteen hundred and eighty-nine students, thirty-nine more than last year, on the Hill; and on floor space that has not increased in the last six years (the conversion of a wood shed into a dormitory being the only addition to space.)

If the University had been prepared to take care of the students the expected jump in population would have taken place. Men who would be glad to be here today have had the door of an opportunity for higher education closed in their face, and they have turned to other things, dismissing forever perhaps, the hope of going to college.

All Eastern and Central Europe has been reeking in its own blood,—torn by internal dissension for many months because her citizenry was unenlightened and unintelligent. Mexico has paid the price for the illiteracy of her people. And indeed, you might call the roll of all the nations of the world and rank them according to wealth and advancement, and you would find that the rank corresponds almost without variation to the degree to which the several nations are educated.

Apply the same test to the State of the American Union and it will be equally true.

But just now in wealth North Carolina is pushing far ahead while her youth she neglects.

She boasts of the Oldest State University in America. Rightly so. But there is no special virtue in age. For eighty-nine years that institution

stood and grew and received from the State only the privilege of calling itself "The University of North Carolina." Half of her plant is the gift of friends; and half of her strong faculty has been held here because of their love for the institution and faith in her future.

The University is not too old to grow; and if given a chance will soon outstrip those that have left her behind. Shall we start now; or shall we again wait eighty-nine years. A single ycock, who was educated here, was worth more to the State and to our nation than all it will cost. In indeed it is your University, claim her now North Carolina.

## THE CHALLENGE OF THIS DAY

Below are excerpts taken from the address of Mr. Frank Graham delivered to the group of forty-seven University Alumni who came to Chapel Hill on October 2nd, on two days' notice, to study the conditions here—The Editor.

Mr. Toastmaster and Fellow Alumni of the University:

"The University and the State vitally connect in the presence here of men who have come from mill, shop, bank, pressroom, courtroom, schoolroom, and farm to make common cause of the simple facts. We see here the signs, we have here the sounds, we feel here the presence of a new and greater University. Smaller groups than this facts less compelling than these have urged themselves into the life and decisions of the people. You are the heralds of a new crusade, the ground breakers for unbuilt buildings, the storm troops to shock the people out of an unconscious neglect of their youth. With youth as our cause and with youth in our fighting ranks we cannot fail. You will not accept defeat.

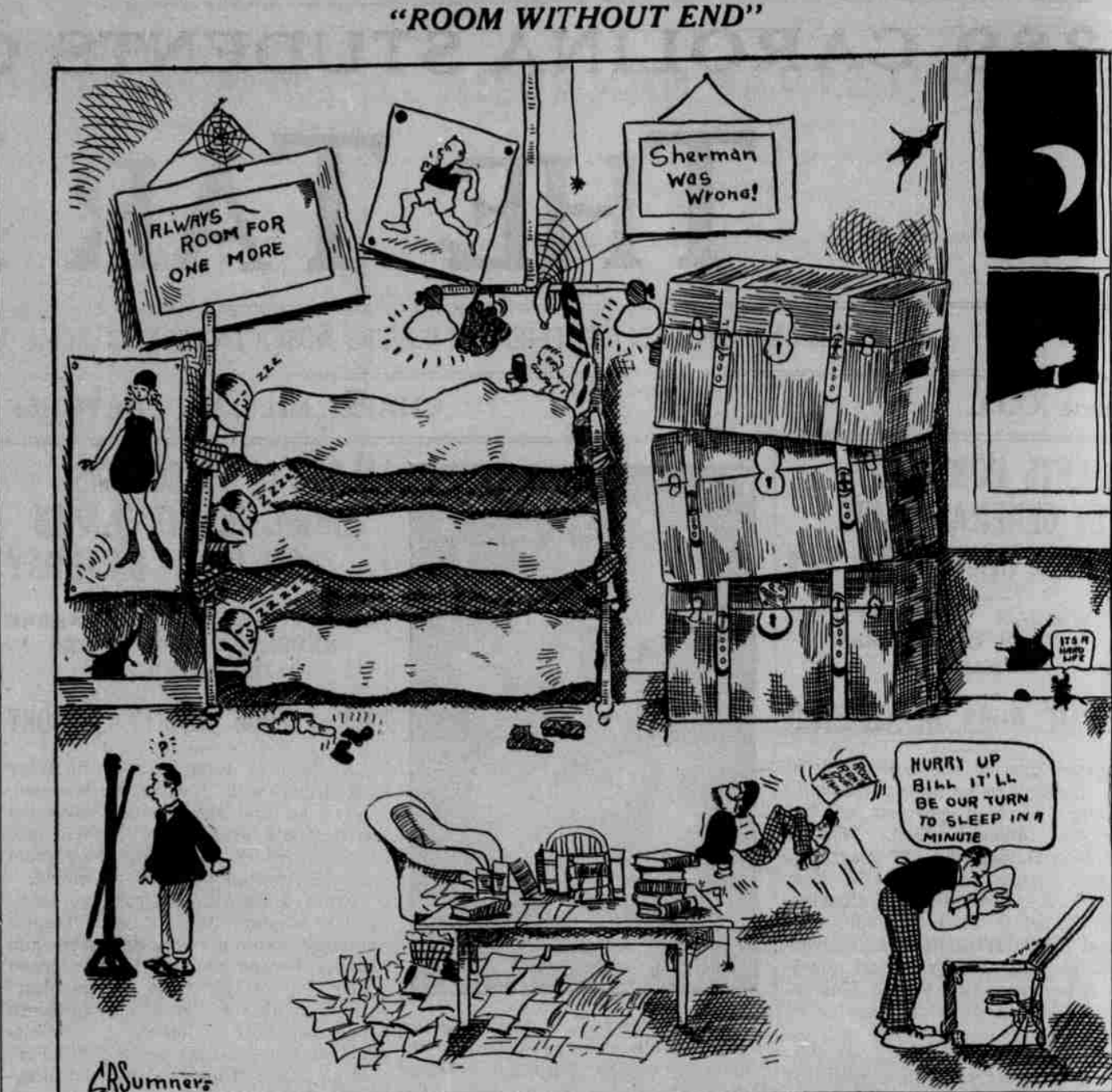
"Youth in the University is on the mark all eager to join you in your dashing fight. In this fight he is not thinking primarily of himself. Yet from the necessities of circumstances he must think of himself when for example he writes to twenty-seven different housekeepers to have the facts piled back upon him that there is no room in Chapel Hill, or when as it seems to him, he walks farther to get a room after he gets here than Hinton James did to get here. He must think of himself when he finds living rooms in a woodhouse and a dining room on the back porch or when he waits his patient turn at the crowded gym shower or when he eats at an elbow-crowded table in a table-congested hall. At last he seeks relief from his confused day of congestion in a room four deep with beds.

"These hardships and more he has absorbed in a spirit of good sportsmanship. While strikes and student uprisings run their courses in the colleges the student body of the University, with more congested grievances to the square inch than haps any student body in America, met congestion with a smile. They realized that congestion was the only way the University had of giving everybody an equal chance to the birthright that belonged to all.

"Yet, I say, in his eagerness to join you in the fight he is not thinking only of himself. He is thinking of the 3,000 graduates of our high school last spring who did not have an equal chance to get a room at the University. He is thinking of the 26,000 boys and girls in the public schools today and is wondering how many of them in the next four years will have the gates closed against them by the colleges of North Carolina. The boys and girls are beginning to know their educational rights. They are thinking of more than themselves. They are thinking more than some cheap-vised politicians think they think.

"North Carolina is politically saying, not consciously, but actually in results, that a North Carolina boy is not worth as much as boys in other states. When the people realize that we are actually saying that our youth is not worth the room of University and college education in North Carolina then the responsible leaders will either quit saying it or quit having the chance to say it. Public duty demands that it be made clear that we are saying to our boys and girls "You are worth a high school education (the high school flood is both our problem and our glory, but only a few of you are worth a college education," and then we add that buffer statement, that side-stepping phrase "especially at this time" in view of the more important matter of keeping taxes low, majorities high and government cheap. Youth in North Carolina is stimulated to aspire to a higher education and then has the door shut in his face by the State which pointed him the way. Says the state to her sons in sacred paraphrase: "I go to prepare a place for you and if it were not so, I would have told you." We do not prepare the place and we dare not tell them.

"We shall not seal our future, we



shall not sell our youth to serve a petty hour. There is no price for the denial of youth. North Carolina cannot afford by counterfeit economy to bankrupt the richness of her invested life. We cannot be both great minded and cheap minded. It is tragic waste to be cheap sighted in building for youth. We shall not dodge the issue. If the issue be the privilege of a few as opposed to the rights of all we shall join in the fight there. If the issue is taxes we shall call it taxes and not beat around the bush of expediency. We shall join battle by frontal attack. Of the alternative of more money for our colleges or less boys and girls for our colleges, more buildings or less boys, between taxes and youth, the people will vote for their youth. The issue is joined; exemption of property or redemption of life. The facts in issue are not a charge against our poverty, but are a charge against our patriotism. Buildings denied is youth betrayed. "North Carolina the first to declare for political independence will now declare for educational dependence.

"Let us go forth with courage for the facts with faith in a people resources in heroism all the way from the Kings Mountain frontier to the Hindenburg line. You have come to this emergency conference, fellow-alumni, out of a loyalty that asked no questions. Alma mater asked you to come, you dropped your work where you stood and you came. One of you rushed away from a bank office urgent with its own business of the first of the month and will ride all night to meet his Sunday school class at ten o'clock in the morning back in the mountains of North Carolina. And he is but representative of the long line of University men out there as loyal as you and who give faith to the group gathered here. Of such is the stuff and spirit of this gathering, of such are great movements born and through such people move to fulfill their destiny.

"Without apology to faction, sect, or party, taking no counsel of faint-hearted pessimism, you are the evangelists of a cause as wide and deep in its justice as the full glad life of youth. If we but strike out boldly we will find the people in heroic mood for a crusade more Christlike than that which impelled its thousands across Europe to death in the Holy Land. The Son of Man cares more for crowded dormitories than for an empty sepulchre.

"In 1879 there were in the University 171 students; in 1900, 512; in 1920, 1406, in 1920—I do not know. But I do know this—you are going to have a part in writing the figures of the coming year. The facts which you take to the people will determine in large measure the number of boys who enter the University and the number of boys and girls who cannot enter the colleges of North Carolina. You are the underwriters of figures—figures of youth and life."

"Each man is a hero and an oracle to somebody, and to that person whatever he says has an enhanced value."—Emerson.

## "SLIP OVER", BILL

"Say, Bill, how about moving over and letting me get warm?"  
"Aw go on, this is my period at the radiator. Why don't you go to the Gym and get under a warm shower if you're cold?"  
"Now you know, Bill, there ain't no warm showers at the Gym, and there ain't been any since we came. Besides, seven of our roommates have been waiting down there in line for the past three days and they ain't got a bath yet. Come on now, Bill, can't you fellows move over just a little bit and let one o' your roommates get one leg warm."

## STILL HAPPY

We used to have a room mate;  
Fine old fellow he was too,  
But we got a dozen or so here of late,  
Still I reckon that's just a few.

We used to know the whole student body  
And call each man by name,  
But now we don't know anybody,  
I wonder who's to blame.

We used to go to class  
And have one whole big seat,  
But now there's such an awful mass  
We sit on each other's feet.

But here's to the days that used to be  
And here's to the days that are,  
I'm glad I lived both days to see,  
And I'm glad they are all as good as they are.

## The Spice o' Life

Brown—"What's old Jones doing now?"  
Robinson—"Oh he's working his son's way through college."—London Mail.

A girl is apt to have many pressing engagements before she marries.

The wise man and the fool's money are soon united.

There is something the matter with any woman when she is willing to let a man do all the talking.

Hoax—"Did your garden win any prizes last summer?"  
Coax—"Indirectly, yes. My neighbor's chickens took first prize at the poultry show."

How a bald-headed man does sneer at a woman who dyes her hair!

Men are so contrary that if their wives wanted them to stay out late they probably wouldn't do it.

Hiram—"Smithers claims to be a self-made man."  
Maude—"That relieves somebody of a terrible responsibility."

The International College at Smyrna never closes its doors. Classes are held all the year, and there are no vacations.

No greater compliment could be paid any girl—she made other girls wish to be good.

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