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WILL HAVE SOME WEIGHT

The student vote on the question of erecting the proposed woman's building on the University campus showed that approximately nine-tenths of the student body is against the measure. That is, approximately nine-tenths of the University students, including the women students, are opposed to using money out of the recent appropriations for building a co-ed dormitory.

The question naturally arises: What does this mean? Have the students a dictum in the matter, and what difference does it make whether the University students are for or against co-education or building of a co-educational dormitory? Much of the criticism of the Tar Heel's propaganda has been ridicule in this respect. It has been said that the Building Committee and the Trustees will not take in consideration at all our voice in the matter.

We are not trying to dictate to the authorities what should be done with the money appropriated the University. We are merely expressing our opinion, and the Tar Heel believes that the opinion of the students will have some effect on the decision of those in authority. The students of the University are right here in Chapel Hill, and can see and realize the general conditions prevailing. The students of the University are in a better position than anybody in the state to know what is best in a question such as this, and see and feel every day the greater needs of the University, as do they also see just how co-education and the further encouragement of co-education works. Could the sentiment of this body of intelligences, so closely in touch with the real situation, be passed up as absolutely nil? We are inclined to think not. And the function of the Tar Heel as essentially a student and campus newspaper, is to work through the students on any such University question that arises, and get at the true students' views.

The Tar Heel believes that the general sentiment of the student body here is that co-education, in the first place, is fundamentally wrong; that a mistake was made when the doors of the University were first flung open to students down as low as the Junior class; that since such a step has been made, co-education should not be further encouraged by providing luxurious facilities for the women, and especially from an appropriation wholly needed to provide facilities for the large majority of men students, and in view of the fact that an appropriation almost as healthy has just been made to the real women's college at Greensboro, although that institution is a much younger college. We think that the ballot taken has gone to prove the fact that such a sentiment prevails among the students. We further believe that this sentiment will not be discarded lightly by the Building Committee and the University Trustees.

THIS IS STILL A MAN'S INSTITUTION

The Tar Heel, since announcement of an uncompromising stand against the erection of the proposed woman's building out of the recent appropriations, and against unlimited co-education in general, for that matter, has been criticized as being illogical, emotional, prejudiced, and by one estimable journal, "The Rhamkette Roaster," as "un-chivalrous toward the gals."

The chief criticism of the Tar Heel's faulty logic has come from the University professor of Philosophy and those dyed-in-the-wool disciples and followers in his department. They have rallied strong to champion the University professor's indictment that any stand against co-education in the present status is decidedly illogical, and in fits of revelry they attached their names to the affirmative of the ballots last week, loudly proclaiming themselves as the "thinking" and "intelligent" few who reasoned the question out on the basis of logic. Many of this group, we have no doubt, are dishonest with themselves in the whole business, and down in their hearts are against co-education and against the woman's building. But they had to be logical, and they had to side with the University professor who in such matters is invariably right.

Figured on a purely logical basis, the Tar Heel admits that it has no case against the admission of women students to the University and the erection of the woman's dormitory. Figured on a purely logical basis—as disagreeable as the analogy may seem, and as much criticism as it has already brought down, but which we are bold to put forth again—the colored citizens of the state should be permitted to register in the University. We realize perfectly that we are not adding to our popularity in again referring to this analogy, but this is a matter for the logicians to work out. Tell us how logically (omitting all emotions and prejudices) a stand against their registration here could be justified.

The Tar Heel realizes that the door of the University has been opened to women students, from the junior classes up, and that the doors will stay open, regardless of our feeble wishes. Yet we do not hesitate to voice our opinion that that was where the University made its first mistake. The college at Greensboro should have been developed to such an extent that work could be procured there that would put its senior class on a par with the University senior class. Then, for the women students to come here to enter the professional schools and take graduate work, and for those who live in Chapel Hill, such a plan of limited co-education would have been well and good. Even now, we believe that such a change would not be impracticable and if the people of the state who are actually opposed to co-education would come out and voice their true sentiment such a change could be brought about. As it is, many people say that now that we have co-education, although we do not think that it is a good thing, the women should be taken care of properly.

The Tar Heel believes that even since this question of co-education has been settled, wisely or unwisely,—with so many people still opposed to it, including ourselves,—and feeling that it should not be encouraged, with the University still essentially a man's institution, the money appropriated by the state should first go to provide proper facilities for the men.

AN OPPOSITION THAT PLEASES

Many of the state papers have commented on the advisability of erecting a woman's dormitory here out of the sum recently appropriated the University. We feel infinitely obliged to the News and Observer and its well known comic supplement, "The Rhamkette Roaster," for their customary platitudinous and nonsensical dissertations. Considering some of the recent editorial advocations of these political gazettes, and in lieu of the general well-known political situation of the state, nothing benefited or delighted us more than to have the author of that endearing title "Bless me, this is pleasant, riding on the rail" oppose our cause.

COMMUNICATIONS

NOTE.—This column is for the free exchange of opinion among our readers. Use it if you have anybody to kick or anything to praise. All articles must be accompanied by the name of the author; no anonymous communications will be published.

FAVORS DORMITORY

To the Editor of the Tar Heel:
At last the Tar Heel takes a definite stand on some question! That is encouraging, for it may be an indication that the Editor plans to take an active part in the building of campus opinion during the last quarter of this year.

He is in a position to at least make us think, and whether his logic is strong enough to convince or not, it is good to be stirred a little once a month.

The Tar Heel's avowed purpose to put a quietus on co-education at the University for ALL TIME is certainly looking a long way into the future. I sincerely question the statement that the construction of a women's dormitory would mean an overwhelming influx of women students here in the next few years. In the first place, the construction of such a building would mean in no way the altering of the present rules with respect to their admission to the University. Furthermore, it cannot be shown that the women of the state have any desire to flood the University with girls direct from the high schools. Indeed, I am quite confident that, if left entirely to a vote of the mothers of North Carolina, the decision would be for the present entrance requirements.

It is the height of folly for the student body, or certain members of it, to attempt, by appeal to prejudice and expediency, into one of which classes most of the communications printed in the EXTRA issue of the Tar Heel fall, to change this UNIVERSITY into the NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE FOR MALES. The co-eds are asking in their resolutions for nothing that cannot with perfect fairness be granted. We are proud to boast, and to advertise abroad, "THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, MAXIMUM SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE," and yet the Tar Heel puts out an EXTRA heralding abroad that the student body of the University wishes to deny to half of the citizenship of the state any of that service, except what accrues to them indirectly through service to the men of the state.

I decline to believe that the resolutions of the co-eds constitute a mass of "sentiment" and "rubbish." In fact, I believe that there is not half so much "sentimental rubbish" from "the history of grammatical phraseology" in the resolutions of the co-eds, as there is prejudicial rot and poor logic in the editorial comment appended to the resolutions as printed in the Tar Heel.

R. L. RANSON.

Mince and Comments

To the horse shoe throwers in front of the Old East building, the leading question of the day is not the Co-Ed dormitory problem but whether or not horse shoe pitching shall be made a major sport.

If this works out in five years we'll have collections taken in chapel for gold horse shoes for the Carolina Four, Southern Intercollegiate horse shoe pitching champions.

Last week a freshman by drawing a pair of fives and a couple of sixes in a poker game won his expenses for the Winter quarter. The next day the same freshman by drawing a pair of fives and a couple of sixes from the Registrar's office lost a spring quarter's work.

"In the Spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," and Norman Shepherd and Victor Young were brave enough to champion the Co-Eds.

The Chapel Hill traffic was held up last week for two hours when the reception line formed to greet Professor Green, the only professor ever in the University who could be hard boiled and yet popular.

We have the Mask and Wiggers and also an informal organization of greater membership, the Flask and Swiggers.

"No late dates during the dances," rules the Faculty. It's more than a pity the faculty can't recall that they themselves were young once.

A new barber shop is now operating in town thus enlivening competition, but so far there have been no cuts in prices.

The Chapel Hill Fire Department is gradually recuperating from the effects of their heroic work in putting out the fire of two weeks ago. The only trouble is the house burned down before they put the fire out.

MASSACHUSETTS ALUMNI HAVE BANQUET IN BOSTON

Dean Pound, of Harvard Law School, Who Comes Here Friday, is Guest of Honor.

Massachusetts alumni of the University held their semi-annual banquet last Friday night at the Boston City Club, with Roscoe Pound, Dean of the Harvard Law School, as guest of honor. Mr. Pound comes to the University this week to deliver the McNair Lectures Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

Dean Pound was the principal speaker of the evening, with Albert Coates, president of the Massachusetts alumni, acting as toastmaster. Short talks were made by J. T. Pugh, formerly of Elizabeth City, and now a member of the Boston bar; Sterling Carrington, formerly of Durham, and now a member of a prominent Boston brokerage firm; Howard Sharpe, formerly of Burlington, and now in the insurance business in Boston; Holmes Harty, formerly of Chapel Hill, and now connected with the faculty of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; T. C. Wolfe and C. L. Nichols, of Asheville, and W. M. York, of Greensboro.

Messages of greeting were read from Dr. Chase and from Walter Murphy, president of the general alumni association, and Daniel L. Grant, secretary.

Those present and their North Carolina homes were S. R. Carrington, Durham; W. C. Fainster, Jr., Newton; M. C. S. Noble, Jr., Chapel Hill; C. L. Nichols, Asheville; J. D. Shaw, Charlotte; L. Gregory, Salisbury; W. Stephens, Warsaw; M. A. Braswell, Whitakers; J. Braswell, Rocky Mount; S. R. McClure, Cherryville; F. B. Nims, Mt.

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A weevil has been discovered in Stone county, Mississippi, which is injurious to the tomato, potato and turnip. It is one-third of an inch long, dull gray in color, and bears on the wing-covers a pale V-shaped mark. The larvae feed at night, hiding underground during the day.

Work On Relativity By Dr. Henderson

The University, through the bureau of extension, will issue shortly an extended monograph on the subject of Relativity by Dr. Archibald Henderson, head of the department of mathematics. The book will be a fully illustrated, popular exposition of the subject, so simply written as to bring the fundamentals of the subject within the range of average intelligence.

Dr. Henderson has written a number of articles on this subject and has conducted to seminar courses for graduates involving the general and special theory. During the spring quarter he will give an introductory course for undergraduates.

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