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PARAGRAPHS

High school event here this afternoon.

The above announcement is another way of saying that we have with us rain and mud.

Now that the war of the Greeks has been brought to a close, the drug stores, the jitneys and the Pick will miss supplying the necessary ammunition.

It was a hard fought affair and several broadsides were used very effectively near the end of the battle. Letters of marque and reprisal had evidently been issued by a number of the Grecian forces.

The Playmakers performed creditably to two audiences here last night and the night before. The program presented proved very interesting, especially the play of the Scuffletown outlaws. This is one of the best plays we have seen produced by the Playmakers. It is especially symbolic of the spirit of the task the Playmakers are trying to accomplish.

It is the collection and moulding of state folk-lore into tangible forms that makes the work of the Playmakers appeal to a good many people here and out in the state. It seems to us that the two most important things that the local players are doing out in the state besides the creation of a body of literary appreciation is the collection of local bits of history such as the Lowrie play and the presentation of the social, economic and religious problems of the state.

The University's debating program of the year opens Monday night with an open forum debate with N. C. State here. This is the first time that the Oxford plan of debate has been used locally, and many are looking forward to the contest. The Debating Council has announced some important contests for the coming quarter and the spring. A large number of men are expected to try out in the preliminaries and the number of contests will afford places for quite a few men.

In order to demonstrate its interest in the high schools of the state the Publications Union has donated nearly two hundred copies of last year's Yackety Yack to be sent to the high schools and preparatory schools in the state. This is one of a number of ways in which the University may become known more by the high school and preparatory students who plan to attend college. The Alumni Association is paying for the wrapping and mailing expenses of the annuals.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Today will mark the close of the race for the state high school championship in football. The teams winning the eastern and western championships of the state will meet on the gridiron here this afternoon.

Some very interesting and notable situations stand out in the season's progress. Charges ranging from small breaches of the conservatively critical attitude toward athletics in general all the way to violent denunciations of all the high school teams of the state have been made.

Charges of rank professionalism have been levied against some of the school elevens in the state. Charges, best and smoothest working high school elevens in the state. Charges, best and smoothest working high school elevens in the state. Charges, best and smoothest working high school elevens in the state.

Rumor and gossip are mediums through which much prejudice and hatred may be carried. And prejudice and hatred frequently grow out of the bitter rivalry which exists between many neighboring communities in the state. Football serves as an excellent outlet for this community rivalry. Any number of towns throughout the state could be cited in which is fostered an intense and fierce hatred for a neighboring town. There is one specific case in this season's games in high school circles where the bitterness was carried even to the point of a fisty fray between citizens, or rather those who should more properly be called anything but citizens, of two rival towns.

As to charges of playing ineligible and ringers by several high schools, there has been nothing definitely proven about those schools which entered the race for the state title. It has been charged that several schools were playing men who had previously played their full time in other schools both in this state and in distant states. One charge reached the central committee of the state high school athletic association only the first of this week. In this case the Charlotte high school preferred charges against the Shelby high school for playing a man who had passed the age of twenty-one, the limit of age eligibility in high school circles. After due consideration of the facts in the case as presented by the contending parties was made by the committee, no action was taken to rule out the champions of the west. Many people in the school that brought up the charges are doubtless yet unconvinced of the fairness of the decision in the matter. The mere fact that charges are made which are so well supported that the school officials of one of the most important high schools in the state felt that their school has been made a victim of a team playing ineligible players clearly demonstrates to our satisfaction that something is rotten in the state.

The director of the high school championship series here at the University can in no way be blamed for the existing conditions. He accepts the registration blanks of the players at their face value and has no doubt to cause him to question their soundness. The officials in the local schools are in a position which cannot be assailed without demonstrated proof, for the blame may rest on enthusiasts in the town or the players themselves. It is just a rotten state of affairs that exists and one which it is hard to place a finger on.

The central committee in their meeting on the Charlotte-Shelby controversy contemplated a ruling which will not allow non-residents of a community in which a school is located to participate in athletic contests of that school falling under the supervision of the high school association. This proposal will be forwarded to the members of the association for their vote. With the passage of this ruling many of the evils of the present state of affairs should cease to exist.

We toss in the towel when it comes to a solution of our athletic situation, both in the colleges and universities as well as the high schools.

Professor Meyer Speaks in Greensboro

Professor Harold D. Meyer spoke to an assembly of scoutmasters in Greensboro last Monday night. He is the educational director for this organization in the western part of the state. Scoutmasters were present from numerous towns and a large number of scout troops was represented.

This meeting was one in a series of such meetings which has been held in a number of the principal cities of this part of the state. The meetings constitute a school in which problems of the scout movement are discussed and studied. A great deal of enthusiasm has been manifested in this work and it is hoped that a sufficient number of organizations can be organized in the eastern part of the state to warrant holding such a school there.

It is proposed that a patrol leader's camp be held here at the University next summer. This will probably make a very welcome addition to the Summer School.

George S. Lawrence, professor of sociology, has moved into one of the apartments of T. C. Atwood's house in Ghinshouville.

The house being erected by W. L. Tankersley on North street for the medical fraternity is ready for the roof timbers.

Frederick Ward lectures tonight in Memorial hall at 8:30 p.m.

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