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UNCLEAN

The same issue of the *Biblical Recorder* that praises the *TAR HEEL* for its candidness takes the *Carolina Magazine*, the *TAR HEEL*'s sister publication, severely to task on account of its candidness as exhibited in a certain article appearing in the issue of last December. The coincidental appearance of the two articles in the same number of the *Recorder* serves to show that the Baptist paper does not approve of candidness and openness at all—it approves of morality and obedience to constituted authority.

And so do we. The unfortunate *Harvard Lampoon* that was barred from the mails last year was a masterpiece of cleverness and the features of the comic that were objected to by the postal authorities were negligible when compared to the smut and filth that appear in other accepted publications, both college and commercial. But the fate of the *Lampoon* appears to have put a bee in the bonnets of many of the college editors.

College comics are no longer publications of "humor". They tend toward that which is suggestive, that which is filthy, and that which is daring. The point seems not to put forth good, wholesome wit. It is rather to produce risqué matter that touches the very boundary of indecency, but which doesn't quite go over the line. And college students relish it. Have all of our college comic editors been nourished on Whia Banks and La Vie Parisiennes? It is our opinion that about eighty per cent of our college comics could be weeded out and American humor would suffer hardly a whit. Humor is a scarce substance, yet every college must have a comic. As a result these so-called humorous magazines are forced to resort to an extremely low order of written effort. And the average college is not even able to furnish enough of this stuff. Frequently they must draw upon their "exchanges" for help.

The dive taken by college literary publications into the land of smut appears to be a recent departure. They formerly strove to be literary;

now they strive to be sensational. This is certainly true of our own campus Magazine. "Anything that will be read, and anything that it up" is apparently the editorial policy.

Devoid of a "necking table" such as was printed last year, the Magazine evidently ran the article, "These Perilious Times," as the nearest acceptable substitute. The *Biblical Recorder* broadcasts to the Baptists of the state that this student publication of the University is handling sex in a light and frivolous vein. The article should never have been printed, and the *Recorder* is within its right in objecting to juvenile treatment of a subject of such fundamental importance.

We make a motion that the *Carolina Magazine* return to the status of a publication of "literary endeavor." The editor of last year claimed repeatedly that there was not sufficient "literary endeavor" on the campus to make its monthly appearance possible. The Magazines that have appeared to date convince us that he was right. We make an amendment to our motion and call for it to be made into a quarterly, or some such, publication.

ALL HONOR TO THE UNIVERSITY

"All honor to the *TAR HEEL* for telling the plain, unvarnished truth," says the *Biblical Recorder*, North Carolina's Baptist denominational paper. The *Recorder* calls this paper a "candid college publication" that "comes out in frank criticism of anything that occurs on the campus of the University which the editors believe should be censured." And the Baptist paper explains further that "Papers published at many institutions follow the policy of suppression and are ready to apologize for, or explain, any questionable conduct by students or others who visit the institution."

The above coming from a denominational paper that favors denominational schools is of exceedingly great interest. The *Biblical Recorder* however has gone very far amiss. It would bestow great honor upon this student paper because it tells the "unvarnished truth;" it laments that many college papers follow a radically different editorial and news policy.

No honor is due to the *TAR HEEL*. It's candidness and openness is only possible through the tolerance of the University administration. The University not only preaches a doctrine of free thought and free speech but it does that greatest of acts—it practices what it preaches. All honor to the University!

Calendar

- Saturday, December 9
7:00 P. M., Di and Phi Societies meet. Inauguration of speakers.
- Sunday, December 10
4:00 P. M., Concert, Miss Katherine Riggs, Harpist Memorial Hall.
- Monday, December 11
4:00 P. M., Playmaker try-outs, Theatre.
- 6:45 P. M., Glee Club Practice, New West Building.
- 7:00 P. M., Playmaker try-outs, Theatre.
- 8:30 P. M., Y. M. C. A. Cabinet meeting, Y. M. C. A.
- 9:00 P. M., Rifle Club, Gerrard Hall.
- Tuesday, December 12
5:45 P. M., Glee Club Practice New West.
- 7:45 P. M., Glee Club try-outs.
- 8:30 P. M., Freshman Friendship Council, Y. M. C. A.
- 8:30 P. M., Carolina vs. Durham "Y", Tin Can.
- Wednesday, December 13
North Carolina Press Association in session.
- Thursday, December 14
North Carolina Press Association in session.
- 6:45 P. M., Glee Club Practice New West Building.
- 8:30 P. M., Carolina vs. Wofford, Tin Can.
- Friday, December 15
Concluding sessions of N. C. Press Association.
- 8:30 P. M., Carolina vs. Clemson, Tin Can.
- Saturday, December 16
8:30 P. M., Carolina vs. Guilford, Tin Can.

OPEN FORUM

The following letters were received too late to appear before Christmas. They are being printed simply because they give expression to student opinion. Several unsigned letters dealing with the same subject could not be published.

The Editor:

It is requested that the following article be inserted in the Open Forum of the next issue of the *TAR HEEL*:
The officials of the University have decreed that no student or students shall give a dance until after the Easter holidays, because of the alleged excessive drinking at the Thanksgiving dances.

Every true son of the University looks with extreme regret upon constant storm of abuse that his Alma Mater receives at the hands of newspapers and the people of the state of North Carolina. This abuse has given rise to a sentiment that is antagonistic to the University. As a result, there is a sentiment which causes many mothers to be unwilling for their darling boys to attend the great wicked University. They fear that their boys will return to them as sots, gamblers, atheists, and reprobates. We, who know the truth about it, laugh at them, and rightly. But where are the grounds for these mothers' fears?—In the articles concerning some molehill made into a mountain, which articles our newspapers conscientious get hold of about three times a year. We do not attempt to deny that these mothers do have some cause to fear. There are sots, gamblers, atheists, and reprobates in the University at the present time. Withstanding the temptations that boys meet at college simply hardens their characters as the fire tempers steel. Yet these temptations are not so numerous as Scott Fitzgerald would have us believe. Not one in a hundred of the mothers who cherish this fear ever has or ever will stop long enough to consider the fact that a very, very small percentage of the 2,500 students in the University is guilty of these "crimes." It is impossible to get these critics of the University to comprehend this fact. No matter how loath we may be to admit it, we all know that a rising sentiment against the University is being shown by the people of the state, their favor turning to other institutions in the state that will some day offer Carolina competition. This adverse sentiment is directly traceable to the articles published in the newspapers. Since it is an undoubted fact that the University cannot exist unless it has the support of the state as a whole, and since the publishing of these articles is slowly but surely destroying that support, to our mind the only feasible solution is to keep the injurious news from the newspapers as far as possible.

But to single our argument down to the article which was published a few days ago, let us look at the benefits and injuries the University has received by allowing our drinking probation to be scandalized on the front pages of the leading newspapers of the state. The only benefit we can see is the notoriety we will get. It will undoubtedly furnish an interesting topic for gossip over bridge tables throughout the state and another subject to be dragged through the newspapers. This kind of notoriety and fame is indeed most desirable! The injuries received are numerous. The parents of a huge majority of the students here, when they read this article, will jump to the conclusion that their sons were drunk that Saturday night. They cannot be blamed for jumping at such a conclusion, for most of us are fair and square with our parents, and have told them that we have taken a drink occasionally, whatever that means. Won't we, who are honest with our parents and who were not drunk, have a sweet time convincing them of our sobriety!

The writer, having attended but few of Carolina's dances, but being informed by those who have attended many, holds that the past Thanksgiving dances were conducted in just as orderly manner as ever before. Many think that they were more orderly than any set of dances given during the past few years. Once every two years, when we play Virginia here and have dances afterward, the University has to cope with the whiskey problem. Some of our alumni and visitors drink, some of the students too. Yet, can there be found anywhere a group of 2,500 college men from all walks of life among whom there are not at least sixteen who will consider such an occasion as the Virginia game a propitious times become inebriated? Should 2,500 men be judged by the conduct of sixteen? No! No more than we should judge the University of Ohio to be a moonshiner's hangout because a still was discovered in a professor's home. Still one newspaper printed this scandal beside the article on the drinking here. Is our problem on a par with the one at the University of Ohio? We are inclined to believe that the drinking problem here is less serious than that of any other university in the South.

Now, this article which was published, being mortally injurious to our Alma Mater, and being injurious to the character and good name of almost every student here, it having been granted

that the wisest thing to be done is to keep such articles from the newspapers, how can their being published be prevented? In this drinking case it would have been best to have had no disturbance at all. Presumably, the Student Council and the Vigilance Committee have summoned and meted out punishment to the offenders. If the officials of the University had allowed these bodies to function as they are supposed to and if they had allowed the matter to drop there, the newspapers could have done nothing more than praise the efficient way in which the drinking problem is being handled here. Instead they have punished 2,500 men because sixteen have broken rules. Is this what the supposedly best minds in this state of North Carolina call justice? IS IT RIGHT?

Very sincerely,
W. S.

To the Editor:

It is very evident that the powers that be have, using the slangular expression, literally "shined" this week in the publication of the article declaring that the dances here at Carolina have been called off because of drinking. I do not claim that the "shine" is due to the fact that we have to go without our dances, but, putting it mildly, the greatest indiscretion has been shown by broadcasting to the country an exaggerated condition which, in my estimation, has done Carolina more harm than anything that has happened in many, many years.

The dances, in the opinion of many visitors, with whom I have talked, were not considered by them to have been conducted on a plane as low as authorities would have the world believe. The fact is that these people remarked that the dances were much more devoid of liquor than several they had attended at institutions in neighboring states.

Carolina has been the object of much unjust criticism during the past year or so, and many people have believed all they have heard. Just when we have been trying our best to overcome these criticisms, and convince the public what a good old institution we do have, along

comes an official declaration which would lead people to believe that here we have a veritable cesspool of human iniquities, and a student body fraught with carousing "sots."

I contend that the student body here compares most favorably with that of any like institution anywhere in the world, and that our moral standards are no lower, but, on the other hand, much higher than those found at the average American university.

This gross newspaper article has been published all over the South, and perhaps in many Northern dailies. To my knowledge it was published in bold-face type on the front page of the leading dailies of Norfolk, Richmond, Charlotte, Winston-Salem,—in fact, all the North Carolina and Virginia state dailies.

It would be difficult to accurately estimate the amount of harm which this information has done to Carolina. The institution will be "low-rated" by thousands as a result.

Drinking here at Carolina is done by a minority which can be dealt with locally without crying out to the world at large, telling them of our problem, and causing a mole-hill to develop into a towering mountain in the public's eye.

I think every Carolina man, knowing the situation better than anyone else possibly can, has had his fury and disgust aroused because of the unjust criticism and chagrin his Alma Mater has been, and will be, subjected to as a result of such a move on the part of those responsible for such distorted reports.

R. H. C.

NOTICE

The Yackety-Yack photographer will be here very soon to finish up the pictures for this year. Be on the lookout for him, make your engagements right away, or you may be left out of the book. Fraternities please take special notice.

PHI ASSEMBLY MEETS TONIGHT IN NEW EAST

First Regular Meeting of Winter Quarter—Inauguration of New Officers Will Take Place.

The Phi Assembly will hold its first regular meeting of the winter quarter tonight at 7 P. M. in the New East Building.

Initiates will be received tonight and next Saturday night, but at no other meetings of this quarter. All those wishing to join are urged to be present tonight. Owing to the high interest recently taken by both old and new men many initiates are expected.

All meetings of last quarter were attended and there were many heated arguments. Some of the leading debaters of the campus furnished material for the arguments, thereby making it possible for the would-be orators to speak intelligently and advantageously.

Not only the former discussions point to a successful term for the Assembly, but also the efficient officers will make the meetings interesting and instructive to all. The following officers were elected at a special meeting held on December 12: S. G. Chappell, Speaker; T. E. Clemmons, Speaker pro-tem; A. E. Warren, Sergeant-at-arms; J. W. Crew, Reading Clerk. The appointment of J. F. Cooper as Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, D. H. Dantzer as first assistant assures the Assembly of interesting and complete programs. "Slim" Mathews with W. H. Strickland a new assistant will continue as treasurers for the Assembly. The above named officers will be inaugurated tonight, following which will be another of the old-time hot discussions. Members are urged to be present and visitors are invited to attend.


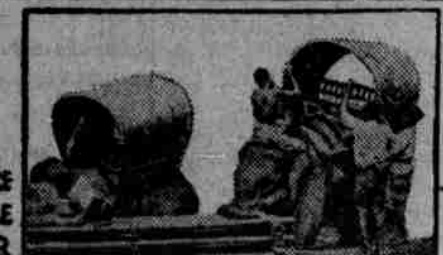
"Peggy" Flournoy, of Tulane, by making a touchdown and two extra points against L. S. U. recently, boosted his total of points to 121. Incidentally, he has the best mark in the country, leading Tryon, of Colgate, by 30 points.

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