

CHASE EXPECTED TO GIVE DECISION TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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body, and the senior class, urging Dr. Chase to turn the offer of the Oregon college down and to remain here.

Statement of President Chase

Since President Chase has returned, he has made no statement in regards to his decision, other than to express his appreciation of the resolutions of support from the faculty, student body, and alumni.

In an interview Saturday, he deferred making any statement concerning his decision, or any allusion thereto. He stated that his decision would probably be made today, and that before then he felt that he could say nothing of his position. Pres. Chase expressed his appreciation of the "splendid support" of the campus, the faculty and the student body.

Stating that he "deeply appreciated the fine resolutions of the student body," Dr. Chase declared that the cordial attitude of the campus towards him would have much weight in his decision.

"I have always been sensible of the cordial, friendly, and cooperative attitude of the campus," President Chase stated. "The attitude of the campus can always make the rocky or easy path for an executive, and I wish the student body to know that I appreciate their attitude towards me and the administration of the University—this attitude will have much to do with my decision."

Alumni Heartily in Accord

While the faculty and student body here, and of other sister institutions, have been urging President Chase to remain here, the alumni throughout the state have been active in his behalf and in insisting that he refuse the Oregon tender. Secretary of State, W. N. Everett, in several statements to the press, has been consistently declaring that the loss of the President of the University would be the downfall of liberalism in North Carolina. He was instrumental in the appointment of the special committee, of which he is a member, by the executive committee of the board of trustees to confer with Dr. Chase concerning the Oregon offer. He advocates an increase in the salary of the President, and anything that will retain him.

Chief Justice W. P. Stacy, of the North Carolina Supreme court, who is president of the General Alumni association, was in Chapel Hill Saturday to confer with Dr. Chase. Judge Stacey told President Chase, in the course of a lengthy conference here Saturday morning, that the alumni of the institution want him to continue as president of their alma mater. He said that in urging Dr. Chase to decline the offer of the Oregon university presidency and remain in North Carolina he felt confident that he was voicing the sentiments of the 12,000 living sons of the institution.

At the same time Justice Stacy authorized publication of a letter he wrote Dr. Chase on February 11. Just after the university head left for Oregon.

"Speaking for the body of the alumni and for myself personally," the letter reads, "I beg to submit the following observations anent the tender to you of the presidency of the University of Oregon:

"North Carolina is no less appreciative of your worth and splendid talent than Oregon. She offers to you the presidency of her university. In addition, you are assured the loyal support of a great commonwealth. We want you to stay with us because your statesmanship has already played a tremendous part in shaping the horizon of our educational thought and giving it worthwhile content. We need ripeness of your judgment and the wisdom of your counsel. May I venture the hope that after all has been said and done, the fates will incline you to Chapel Hill. Your going elsewhere would be a serious loss to the state. After due consideration, we sincerely trust that you will decline the Oregon offer."

Friday evening the Durham alumni of the University unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, Dr. H. W. Chase, president of the University of North Carolina, is considering a call to the University of Oregon; and, whereas we, the Durham County Alumni association of the University of North Carolina, feel that his leaving North Carolina at this time would mean an irreparable loss to university and to the educational progress of the state:

"Now, therefore, we it resolved: That it is our firm conviction that Dr. Chase can render a greater service to the cause of education by continuing his magnificent and effective leadership at the University of North Carolina;

"Be it further resolved: That we express our approval of his policies and pledge our loyal support to a continuation of his efforts for a greater and more useful university.

"Be it also resolved: That we call upon the alumni of the university to join us in approval of his administration and urge him to remain at the university to carry on the progressive policies which have characterized his presidency."

Press Favors Dr. Chase

Judging from the editorial comments

of the various leading dailies, the press of the state, with a few exceptions, is for President Chase "up to the hilt." As soon as the announcement was made that Dr. Chase was on a tour of the Pacific coast to consider the offer of the University of Oregon, editorials began to consider the loss of the President and express their hopes that he would remain here.

It is gratifying to know that the dailies of neighboring states have also been greatly interested in the decision of Dr. Chase. The Charleston News and Courier, edited by Robert Latham, winner of the Pulitzer editorial prize last year and recent visitor here during the press institute, expressed the opinion that North Carolina would be losing an invaluable asset in the loss of Dr. Chase if he goes with the Pacific coast institution. The Norfolk Virginia Pilot also stated that they regarded Dr. Chase as one of the Leaders of the New South, the protagonist of liberalism, and the one priceless man that North Carolina must hold onto.

The Greensboro Daily News, regarded by many as the most liberal and unbiased daily in the state, has been insistent that Dr. Chase remain. All along they have declared that he must stay and see the state through this trying period for liberalism. In a splendid editorial yesterday, the Daily News well-nigh broke a precedent in carrying an editorial strongly urging the President to decline the offer of Oregon. The editorial ran well over a column, which is most unusual for the length of a Daily News editorial.

It was a matchless plea for President Chase to remain in North Carolina. The Daily News editorial ran in part:

"With the state of mind observed in Raleigh and in a few other parts of the state which seems to accept it as a fact that Dr. Chase will resign from the presidency of the University of North Carolina the Daily News is not in agreement and does not believe the state is in agreement. To this newspaper it does not seem necessarily a probability that simply because Dr. Chase has given serious consideration to the Oregon opportunity he will find it a broader or a happier field than North Carolina. We are entirely willing for Dr. Chase or anyone else to weigh the possibilities of the presidency of the University of North Carolina and the presidency of Oregon not only because it is his personal right and duty, but because we are confident that, once he is assured on one point there can be little argument.

"It is not necessary for anyone to tell Dr. Chase, because he knows it as well as anyone else and better than most, that at this moment the position of presidency of University of North Carolina offers an opportunity of educational leadership which is not easily equaled in the entire country. In many vital aspects we do not know another educational opportunity like it in the United States.

"What is happening at Chapel Hill is the creation of a real university.

It is not a Babbit-hatchery or a mere mechanism for passing along accepted standards of knowledge.

"With the direction in which this potential university is proceeding it is not now necessary to question. It is enough to say that the events of recent years have demonstrated that there is at Chapel Hill a force which seems to be capable of creating not only a university in name but a university in spirit.

"The decision is not essentially Dr. Chase's. It is North Carolina's. It is not a question of whether Dr. Chase will resign. It is a question of whether North Carolina wants to resign.

"The voice that speaks now will be the voice of North Carolina's conception of educational leadership and opportunity. Dr. Chase has become more than a single person. Because of him has been given the task of creating a university for the state, to him should be given now the state's assurance that North Carolina meant what she said when on another day she handed him the baton and pointed to the magnificent field she wished him to win."

PLAYMAKER TRIP IS GREAT SUCCESS

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matinee and evening shows at both the Gild Theatre and at Goucher College. During their stay in Baltimore, Professor Koch gave an illustrated lecture on the work of the Carolina Playmakers at Goucher College and at Johns Hopkins University; and he addressed the Kotos Club, of which Doctor Greenlaw is a member. In each of the other places visited he made his usual brief address during the first intermission between the plays.

In Washington the Playmakers were presented by Senator Overman to President Coolidge at the White House, where they were later photographed by various Press Photographers of the Washington newspapers. With a brief speech of explanation, Professor Koch presented the President with autographed copies of the three published volumes of Carolina plays. On this occasion "Cal" is reported to have broken his usual silence with the smiling comment, "very interesting". The performance in Washington was greatly handicapped by the inability of

the Playmakers to use their scenery. Although their scenery was fireproof, they were not allowed to use it on account of the stringent fire regulations which are imposed on theatres in the Capital; and these regulations were enforced by two policemen, who remained behind the scenes throughout the entire performance. They were even forbidden the use of lighted candles in *Gains and Gains, Jr.*, and the lighted lamp and the fire in the stove in *Fiein's*. This necessitated the omission of the spectacular scene in the latter play in which Lily Robinson scrambles eggs for her husband's supper. Between the performance of these plays Professor Koch was introduced to the Washington audience by Congressman Abernethy. While they were in that city, the Playmakers had a box party at Poli's Theatre and witnessed the popular musical play, *The Student Prince*.

From Washington they journeyed through the beautiful Shenandoah valley to Harrisonburg, Va., during their trip passing through snow drifts which were in some places seven feet deep. En route the party visited the famous Endless Caverns. Due to the late arrival of their truck in Harrisonburg, they were obliged to begin their performance that night without scenery, costumes, and make-up; and the first play, *Quare Medicine*, was given without these. The audience accepted the situation cheerfully, however, and they seemed to enjoy the performance all the more for the limitations of the stagecraft.

The next day, on its way to Sweetbriar College, the truck was overturned on a curving mountain road, and some damage was done to the equipment which it was carrying. An emergency truck was sent to the rescue, the damages to the scenery were repaired, and the performance went on that night merrily as usual.

Perhaps the most interesting place on the itinerary was Williamsburg, Va. Here the performance was given in the auditorium of the High School building, which is situated within a stone's throw of the site of the first theatre in America. It was here that Mr. Hallam's Company, the first professional troupe of actors in America, produced in 1752 Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*, this being the first professional dramatic performance to be given in this country. Here, too, in Williamsburg the students of William and Mary College in 1702 produced a pastoral comedy, the first original college drama in the New World. While in Williamsburg, the Playmakers made a side trip in their bus to the site of historic old Jamestown.

It would be difficult to describe the wonderful success of this their second southern tour, for large audiences and much favorable comment greeted them everywhere. A few excerpts from reviews of the Playmaker performances by dramatic critics in the leading cities visited on the tour will form an interesting comparison with the local reviews of the campus critics. Following are a few of these reviews:

"The Playmakers showed that their talents in playwriting and acting are equal to the highest professional standards."—The Washington Post.

"Their three one-act dramas certainly

deserve rank with the best original playwriting offered by any of our little theatres."—The Baltimore Sun.

"Performed in Baltimore's most comfortable little theatre, the bill was instructive and entertaining. The plays were well cast and directed; something unusual in strictly college dramatics."—The Baltimore Evening Sun.

"The Carolina Playmakers came to Norfolk last night and more than justified their reputation not only as writers and actors of plays, but as workmanlike creators of what may yet give to America a native drama."—The Virginian Pilot.

"The Carolina Playmakers added Norfolk to their list of conquests last night, playing to a large audience and proved themselves pioneers worthy to be followed in a new significant movement in American drama."—Norfolk Ledger Dispatch.

BASEBALL SQUAD BEGINS TRAINING

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his hitting this year, it is likely that he will land a berth on the team. "Monk" Green, who has been on the varsity squad for the past two years, will also have to be reckoned with before the catching job is assigned. A third likely prospect is Odell Sapp, who cavorted around in the outer pastures on the freshman team last year. He was a catcher in high school and has now decided to go back to his old position. Sapp is likely to give the more experienced men a great fight for the catching job.

Plenty of Infield Practice

With all of last year's varsity and freshman infields to choose from, Coach Duncan should have very little to worry about concerning this part of the team. The four lettermen back in school are "Buck" Stanton, Bob Sides, Johnnie Johnson, and "Touchdown" Jones. From the Tar Baby squad are Tom Young, "Moose" Tenney, John Baily, and Doug Webb. There will be a great deal of competition for every infield position and there should be a merry scrap among the various candidates before the positions are finally assigned.

Stanton and Young will fight it out at the initial sack. Stanton bats and fields left handed while Young throws right handed and bats from the same side of the plate. Both are good fielders and good hitters and there will be a great fight for this position.

At the keystone sack, Sides and Tenney, who was captain on last year's yearling nine, will fight it out. Sides probably has the edge due to his experience but he will have to play a great brand of baseball before Tenney is eliminated.

Captain Johnnie Johnson will probably get the call at shortstop over John Baily, who held down that position on the freshman team last year. Johnson is one of the best fielding shortstops in the South but he is rather weak with the willow. His hitting improved last year, however, and if it continues to improve this year, he will be one of the most valuable men on the team.

Probably the hardest fight for any position on the team will be at third base. "Touchdown" Jones, who held down the hot corner last year will be given a great fight by Webb, Tar Baby third-sacker. Jones is a good fielder and a timely hitter, especially against left-hand pitchers. Webb is likewise a good fielder, he being credited with only one bobble throughout the entire season last year. He is a good hitter and is especially effective against right hand twirlers. It is highly probable that Coach Duncan will alternate these men at third base, using Jones against left hand pitchers and Webb against those who twirl the horseshoe with their right hand.

There are only two lettermen back in school who are out for outfield berths, these being Hatley and Dodderer. Hatley held down a regular position on the team last year while Dodderer alternated between first base and the outer pastures.

Taking everything into consideration, the prospects are rather good and Coach Duncan should have a fairly good machine on the field when the time for the first game of the season rolls around.

LOST—Black Parker Fountain Pen—Probably in front of Memorial Hall. Name engraved on Pen. Return to BRYAN GRIMES No. 4 Pettigrew.

TAR BABIES BEAT STATE FROSH 21-17

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floor game and also tossed in two goals from the field. "Hank" Young, one of State's regular forwards, was injured early in the game and was forced to retire. He returned to the line-up later but was only able to remain in the game for a few minutes.

Line-up and Summary.

State (17)	Carolina (21)
	Position
Goodwin (2)	Satterfield (9)
	L.F.
Young (1)	Wall (4)
	R.F.
Waring (6)	Baggett (2)
	C.
Holden (4)	Hackney (9)
	L.G.
Loughlin	Gray
	R.G.

State substitutions: Taylor for Goodwin, Mason (4) for Young, Trogden for Taylor. Carolina substitutions: Covington for Satterfield, Presson for Wall, Watkins for Baggett.

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