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PARAGRAPHS

Freshman Fritz says the only thing that some people do on time is buy cars.

Co-ed Cora says if a girl says she reads you like a book, she has probably put you on the shelf.

First year co-eds at the University of Denver are required to wear green scarfs, and when the tradition is broken, the sophomore court imposes all kinds of oddities for punishment. Last week the tribunal required several of the species to dust and paint furniture and wear gashes in torrents of sunlight.

Unable to sell their million barrel apple crop the fruit growers in Martinsville, W. Va., are giving their produce away by a tank of sweet cider in the public square of the town and dispensing cider and apples to residents as well as tourists and visitors, who are taking full advantage of the opportunity. The famous West Virginia Moonshine now has a real competitor.

Our sister university from the North is having or has had trouble with its magazine. The University of Virginia Alumni News announces "As an expression of disapproval of the editorial policy expressed in the September issue of the University Magazine the board of editors have elected James B. Aswell, Jr., of Natihotoche, La., to take the place of Gilmore Spencer, of Charlotte Court House, Va., who was author of the story 'Mulatto Flaif'."

We expect to see a pretty game today. No one seems to be predicting what the outcome

will be. One sports writer said three scouts sat in the press box here last Saturday. We suppose they were from the three institutions which the Tar Heels play before ringing down the curtain on old King Football. If the scouts got much valuable information, the Blue and White will have to put on more strategy today, which should make the game all the more interesting.

TOO MANY SIDESHOWS?

The survey which was recently made by the TAR HEEL to determine whether the campus is over-organized revealed startling information that has received much recognition off the campus. The chief question seems to be, are the 402 campus organizations essential or superfluous?

Nearly a thousand new men come to the University every year and many of these go out for the various activities, either to make a contribution to university life or to get public recognition. These men fill up the quotas of the multitudinous organizations and organize new ones wherever there are openings. One man believes in extra-curricular activities so strongly that he has said that "Unless you make some contribution to college life you will never afterward make a contribution to the life of the community." He believes that the experience in meeting people, the training in sportsmanship, the executive knowledge acquired, all play their part in building up a well rounded character, which sends the bearer into the world that much better equipped to face the struggles of life.

Then there is the other side of the question and the man who says "The student supposedly comes to college to learn. Anything which actually defeats this purpose, however laudable in itself, such as self-support, athletics, politics, reform, dancing, acting, making friends, or making love is to be condemned. These things are naturally more important to the mass of the people than to the cultivation of the mind. They are in themselves educational and undoubtedly have a place in college experience. But they can all be pursued elsewhere than at college without the expensive facade of intellectual pretension. And when they depose the things of the mind from their proper priority in higher education they deprive the college of its reason for existence. In this the student is to blame: he can make of his college course his chief preoccupation and does not."

Concerning the story in the TAR HEEL, the Raleigh News and Observer recently carried the following editorial under the above caption:

"The beginning of the famous fight waged at Princeton by Woodrow Wilson had for democracy in education came only when the sideshows were so numerous as to crowd out the big tent. Mr. Wilson called the plethora of organizations, some of them social climbings, the sideshows. He said they so monopolized the enthusiasm of the students that when they came to the matter of mastering their studies they came without the necessary zeal. 'I will not be the president of the country club,' was his unique way of saying that Princeton 'must become an educational institution.'

"The fashion of over-organization seems to be the master of fad of this age, in and out of colleges. In churches the numerous societies endanger proper appreciation of the great function of the church—the preaching of the gospel. Everything else is small in comparison to the great command of preaching the Word. The evil seems to be particularly flourish-

ing in colleges. The last issue of Tar Heel, a paper printed by the students of the University of North Carolina, has the following by Walter Spearman:

"Is the Carolina campus over-organized? Are the 402 campus organizations essential or superfluous? Are 159 presidents necessary? Do these activities supplement the regular University courses in a helpful way or do they merely take the students' time from the more worthwhile objectives? Do they reach the student body or only a small percentage of students?"

"Recent surveys have been made on campus organizations in the leading universities of the country and have resulted in the discovery of an appalling number of superfluous organizations among the students.

"As an example of over-organization The New Student cites Cornell, with only 42 presidents, 111 captains and 36 managers. What is to be said of the University of North Carolina with its 402 students organizations, 159 presidents, 11 editors, 167 captains and 184 managers?"

MADRY PRESIDENT OF NEWS BUREAUS

Director of University News Bureau Chosen to Head Association at Durham Meeting

MILTON IS VICE-PRESIDENT

R. W. Madry, director of the University News Bureau, was elected president of the North Carolina Association of College News Bureaus at an organization meeting held in Washington Duke Hotel in Durham last Friday, with publicity directors from leading colleges in the State in attendance. Ernest Milton of Davidson College was elected vice-president and E. G. Moore of N. C. State secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Madry has been director of the University News Bureau for the last three years. He had previously served on the reporter staffs of the New York Herald-Tribune in New York and Paris and of the Wall Street Journal. He is a University graduate of the class of 1918 and was graduated from the School of Journalism of Columbia University in 1920.

The association went on record as favoring continuance of the policy of frankness in dealing with the press. Any attempt at suppression of legitimate news of the part of the colleges was characterized as detrimental to the best interests of the institutions. Co-operation with the press in furthering the cause of education was stressed.

Present at the meeting were M. L. Wright, of East Carolina Teachers Training College; F. Hill Turner, of Guilford College; R. W. Madry, of the University of North Carolina; R. P. Harriss, of Duke University; C. M. Cannon, of Elon College; E. G. Moore, of North Carolina State; E. A. MacMillan, of Wake Forest, and Ernest Milton, of Davidson College.

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According to various fireside or home and hearth champions, many parents worry about their sons who have strayed off to college. There are so many evils with which this or that neighbor's boy may tempt our own pluperfect lad. Why, they say so and so was drunk at high school commencement exercises—almost reeled off the stage as he read the class will, etc., etc. And so all fond parents worry about their impenetrably stodgy or hopelessly lost sons. We don't know what the young people of this day are coming to—but we suppose they'll grow up and worry uselessly about their shocking children. Still,

Where Is My Wandering Boy Tonight?

We can't hail parents into our juvenile court. At least, their anxiety is indicative of a well-founded mistrust of that most dangerous explosive, learning. Besides, we abandon parents and family life to that sabre-toothed tiger, Bernard Shaw. But we wonder where the boy is too. Our reason for wondering where he is tonight, like most human reasoning, is simple ignorance. Why is there no directory to enable students to find one another? Are searchers supposed to go to the registrar's office, which is never open when a feller needs a friend most? Is the Y. M. C. A. to be burdened with a university responsibility? Why all this talk about the Y. M. C. A.'s too numerous duties and virtues? Must a Christian organization, in order to exist, be publishing agent to the University? The Y. M. C. A. has battled valiantly to keep its nose above water for many years. Latest reports of its financial independence are certainly relieving. But organization should not be blamed if convenience so obviously necessary to intelligent community life as a student directory is lacking. It seems that the University has been dodging the performance of a favor rightly its duty. For six weeks the student body has had no means of locating members. Relatives were sent helter-skelter to find students. We now hear that the directories are off the press. But the present system of furnishing the books for the University is worthy of only a prep school where everybody is known—certainly of no higher institution. The University is either woefully lacking in silver or astonishingly strong on brass.

Criticism of the Critics

We are proud of our enrollment at an institution which allows as much freedom of opinion as this University. The letters written recently to the Open Forum are a tribute to that spirit of student responsibility. But some of them are more likely evidences of nit-witted flourishings at publicity. Why anyone should assume that a mere explosion of his moralistic opinions upon the campus will drive it to some desired action, we cannot understand. Some of the letters to the Open Forum are to be commended, we think, for their logic and wording. Others afforded only a review of elementary English courses, characters, etc. We appeal to future critics to avoid the presumption that others care to read long-winded, disgusting philippics against the character of offenders.

The Faun

Another source of pride is this independent organ of criticism. Its first issue was sensational and uselessly personal in tone, a Yellow Journal on white paper. But subsequent editions have presented admirable criticisms of true tin gods. The only question now is, can the paper glean enough non-sensational material to justify weekly editions? It should be welcome as a monthly, if conducted properly. We believe its articles should embody both personal and "destructive" criticism (since both types are obviously essential to progress) so long as they truthfully concern worthy questions. Such critics, unpleasant though they may be, are the real leaders of human activity. And if the publication of the Faun is endangered by financial difficulty, we know no enterprise more worthy of student support than a searchlight upon campus affairs.

The presence of the new sheet is a decided credit to its editors, this institution, and a challenge to loyal University thinkers. May the failure of a sincerely critical sheet never be attributed to unresponsive students, but only to inefficient editors and their subscription manager. The Faun doesn't seem to have one.

To Deck Street with Flags

Standards bearing United States flags will be placed along both sides of Franklin street, from Columbia street to the post-office corner, next Thursday, Armistice Day.

Mrs. Elden Bayley of Springfield, Ohio, left Wednesday afternoon after a visit to Mrs. John M. Booker.



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