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PARAGRAPHS

With such weather as we had Saturday, we're wondering what Madge Kennedy thought of the sunny South, especially that part of it around Chapel Hill.

The boxing team has fought an uphill battle ever since its organization to get recognition as a major sport. This year, for the first time, a decent schedule has been given the converts of the gentle art. A successful season is predicted.

The president of the junior class has announced that there will probably be no collection of junior class fees for the spring quarter, as the treasurer has collected enough money to carry the class through the year. This must be welcome news to the juniors. We are wondering if the senior class cannot adopt a similar plan, as the fourth year men have many other financial obligations to meet during their last year here. How about it, class officers?

The professor tells this one. He was teaching a course in Investments. The first day he announced that the text book would cost six dollars. Former cheerleader Froneberger jumped to his feet and as he walked out of the room was heard to say, "that's a helluva investment."

Now we are wondering what will be next since the Golden Fleece controversy has come to an abrupt end.

The Freshman Debating Club is doing a commendable thing in trying to revive the waning art of oratory.

Speaking of debating—which

we weren't—Lafayette wants something different in the way of topics. She claims that everyone is fed up with the World Court and the League of Nations. Also she inquires who cares whether we recognize Soviet Russia or not. Questions of national or international importance are said to be either too difficult for the average man to grasp or uninteresting. She suggests topics of this type: "Resolved: That ignorance is bliss; Resolved: That we envy our grandchildren; Resolved: That horses be perpetuated so that we can figure horse-power more easily"; etc. The Di and Phi might revive some of their ancient glory with such forensic questions.

THE NEW CALENDAR

The faculty committee which recently drew up a tentative calendar for the college year of 1927-'28 will submit the calendar to the faculty at its next meeting. The committee's chief work was to provide greater equalization among the quarters and to go into the advisability of shifting the spring vacation to a period between the winter and spring quarters.

As the tentative schedule now stands we wish to address a few remarks to the committee, both commendatory and condemnatory—commending them for placing the spring holidays between the spring and winter quarters and disagreeing with them on the dates of the fall quarter. We have previously made known our wishes to see the spring recess come just after the examinations of the winter term, and will say no more about it than to say we hope the faculty will pass favorably upon it.

We believe that the dates of the fall quarter, as the committee now has them, will meet with the disapproval of the majority of the students and possibly the majority of the faculty men. There is no logical reason why students and faculty should have to remain here through December 22. This past fall the examinations ended on December 18, and the year before on December 19. The fall term is the longest of the year, it being nearly two weeks longer than the winter and spring quarters. As the committee now has it, there will be 75 teaching days (examinations included) in the fall, 64 in the winter, and 64 in the spring. It is easy to see that greater equalization is possible, and to say more about it would be indulging in verbosity of the obvious.

Many students have to work during the Christmas holidays to make money with which to meet pecuniary obligations, and jobs that students can get are offered during the rush-trading of the week before Christmas. There are only two days between the end of the examinations and Christmas day, as the calendar now has it.

By being kept here until Friday of Christmas week, many students would be unable to reach home before Christmas and some would not have time to go home at all.

By way of trying to be constructive we offer the following as a suggestion. Instead of taking examinations for the removal of conditions and entrance requirements from September 14-17, as the calendar has it, we suggest September 7-10. Last year this perfunctory work was done from September 8-11, and the year before from September 9-12. During both of the two latter years classes started on the seventeenth, and next year they are to begin on the twenty-third. We would have September 12 to 14 (Monday through Wednesday) as freshman orien-

tation days and time to register, and Thursday for registration of all others. Then classes would begin on Friday, the sixteenth, and examinations would come from December 14-17 (Wednesday through Saturday). Upperclassmen could register during the examinations and the freshmen and sophomores could register on Monday, January 2 and classes begin on the third.

Last year the examinations for the spring quarter were held June 1-4. This year they will be held from May 30 to June 2. Next year they will come June 4-7. Further comment is unnecessary.

Debate Handbooks Already Sent To 212 High Schools

Debate Handbooks published by the University Extension Division, have been sent to 212 high schools already enrolled for the annual debating contest. The query to be discussed this year is, Resolved, that Congress should enact the Curtis-Reed bill, providing for a federal department of education.

This handbook, which was compiled by E. R. Rankin, of the University Extension Division and secretary of the High School Debating Union, contains the information necessary for high schools wishing to take part in this contest.

A short history of the fourteen annual contests which have been conducted by the Union, as well as the names of winners, is included in the booklet. There is a general discussion of the Bill as presented before Congress and a large group of representative arguments favoring and opposing the bill.

While the number of high schools to take part in the argument has already reached 212, a still larger enrollment is expected within the next few weeks. There were 225 schools participating last year. The negative team representing Winston-Salem high school, won the award of the Aycock Memorial Cup in the final debate held in Memorial Hall.

RANDOLPH COUNTY MEN HAVE MEETING

Short Talks, Eats and Smokes At First Meeting of Quarter.

The Randolph County Club held its first meeting after the holidays on Friday night with an exceptionally large attendance. Each member seemed to have stored up much of the holiday spirit which he seemed to enjoy, sharing with the other members of the club. "Bill" Hammond made an interesting talk on the success and achievements of the banquet held at Asheboro during the Christmas holidays for the benefit of those members who, for one cause or another, were unable to be there.

The Club instructed the president to make arrangements to have a picture taken of the Randolph County Club as a unit and put in the Yackety Yack this year.

Realizing the importance and benefit to be derived through high school debating, a committee was appointed to write all of the high schools in the county and offer any encouragement or assistance possible to get them to enter the state wide debating contest this year put on by the University of North Carolina. No other business coming up, eats and smokes were served and everyone spent a most enjoyable evening.

CAROLINA RIFLE CLUB TONIGHT

The Carolina Rifle Club will hold a business meeting tonight for the discussion of general business. Gerrard Hall, 8:30 p. m.

OPEN FORUM

ABOLISH ALL HOLIDAYS?

Editor of TAR HEEL: Who said anything about the legislature passing a bill to abolish all holidays in the state owned institution of higher learning? I haven't heard a word about it yet, but evidently the faculty committee that was appointed to draft a new calendar for next year must have gotten wind of such action. If we are believers in evolution, there is but one conclusion that we can predict. That is the abolition of all holidays in a year or two.

In the TAR HEEL last week there appeared a draft of the proposed calendar for next year. Said draft calls for a reduction of the Christmas holidays by five days, and a reduction of the Easter holidays by 3 days. What have we poor students done to warrant such autocratic and unsympathetic action on the part of our dearly beloved faculty? Maybe they appreciate us to such an extent that they wish to keep us with them as long as possible? personally, I do not believe that the feeling will be found to be mutual, at least with the majority of the students. I would like to hear what some of the rest of you think about this matter?

FURTHER OBSERVATIONS ON GOLDEN FLEECE

Editor of TAR HEEL: My attention was attracted by an article that appeared at the head of the open forum of the TAR HEEL on Saturday last. It was a vain attempt to justify the Golden Fleece upon the grounds that it is secret and aristocratic.

I wish to voice nothing against the Fleece, but it cannot be justified by such terms as "aristocratic" and the propagator of this, as a term of justification, should avail himself of the assistance of a member of his bootee. If the Golden Fleece is, or claims to be, aristocratic, I should say that this was the only objection to it, but it doesn't seem that the gentleman has the authority to say "aristocratic."

There are things that are necessarily secret, but there is nothing today that is essentially aristocratic; it is a hinderance that is out-grown and cursed by the new order. If there is anything aristocratic about Golden Fleece, it can best be justified by keeping it a secret. The article (signed A STUDENT) reminds us that we have no license to argue—very evident by his lengthy article. It hasn't been forgotten that argument is the spice of life, or that his implied license is limitless. The gentleman also questions

the right of criticism, which in many cases is the expression of private opinion. What if someone took the opposite view from him in regard to Golden Fleece; it would be criticism and he says that this man must keep quiet while he himself fills whole columns with his opinion. STUDENT, II.

NO TIME TO SOBER!

Editor of TAR HEEL:

I am extremely glad that the calendar prepared for next year is tentative, and there is hope that it will not become permanent. To my notion, with certain possible exceptions, it is as poor an arrangement as could have possibly been suggested.

In the first place, I am at a loss to understand why it has been so arranged as make school open so late in September. When September comes around, I believe that most boys are becoming a little tired of the vacation and are ready to head back for the Hill. I, personally, would rather start back to school earlier in the month, than to fool around until the 23rd, as the committee has proposed.

Then, too, what is the big idea of the Christmas holidays being deferred until December 22, only three days before Christmas? This arrangement will throw a lot of boys out of chances to get jobs preceding the holidays. This loss of money will be felt by a great number of students.

I think that the plan to change the date of Easter holidays is very commendable. I can't, however, say so much for the brilliant plan that has been proposed—if for no other reason than that it makes our Easter vacation three days shorter than it has been in the past.

The committee proposes that our vacation be shortened by five days; our Easter vacation by three days; and they suggest that school not close to June 8th. Why, they don't even give us time to sober-up after holidays. such poor judgment!

Come on, give us a sensible plan! MR. I. CRAVE PUBLICITY

WHAT'S HAPPENING

TODAY

7:15 p. m.—Phi Assembly, Manning Hall.
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8:30 p. m.—Phillips Hall, illustrated lecture on Michel Angelo, by Edgar Wind.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

8:30 p. m.—Varsity basketball, Carolina vs. University of Georgia, Tin Can.
7:00 p. m.—Venable Hall, moving pictures, "Fruits of the World," and "Romance of Coffee."

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

6:00 p. m.—Supper for Religious Workers Council, Episcopal church, Parish House.

Dekes Give Dance

D. K. E. Affair Augments Calendar To Three, Saturday.

The D. K. E. fraternity will heap more coals on the already brilliant social blaze for the coming week-end with a formal dance to be given at their house Saturday evening from nine until twelve o'clock. With the first Grail dance of the winter and the Theta Chi "twilight" affair also set for this evening, the Deke dance will make a total of three dances on the Hill in a single evening. Invitations have been sent to all the fraternities on the campus. Kike Kyser and His Orchestra will play.

Death of Mrs. Scarborough

Mrs. J. B. Scarborough, formerly Miss Lessie Neville of Chapel Hill, died at her home in Annapolis, Maryland, December 28. Her husband is a member of the faculty of the Naval Academy. They moved to Annapolis several years ago from Raleigh, where he taught in the A. and E. College. Everett Neville, Mrs. Scarborough's brother, went from Chapel Hill to the funeral. Miss Lizzie Neville of Washington, D. C., her sister, was also at the funeral.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 28, EVENING: "AIDA"

SATURDAY, JAN 29, AFTERNOON: "THE BARBER OF SEVILLE"

SATURDAY, JAN. 29, EVENING: "FAUST"

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