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## PARAGRAPHS

Where are those fellows who said the Tar Heels were afraid of the Demon Deacons?

The senior edition was a grand finale to the special edition series. A majority of the students found those five issues to be the most interesting of the year. The regular staff enjoyed the rest. Bathing down at Miami sure was fine during the vacation.

In an epistle from Greensboro College, a lassie says: "From the TAR HEEL write-up we've decided Carolina didn't like us so well. Please say to everybody that our soloist didn't cry a tear nor did she hesitate when she wasn't supposed to. A freshman wrote all that so I'm not surprised." It gives us great consolation to know that the young ladies didn't get offended at the alleged rudeness at the concert here.

The N. C. State Technician denotes that "The director of the Greensboro College Glee Club was unstinting in his praise of the student audience here. That speaks well for their training, both at home and at college." That should go a long way in smoothing over the turmoil which was caused at the Raleigh institution last fall when a student attended a concert in his overalls. No more calling those fellows farmers!

We have just received with great pleasure our certificate of merit which was awarded in the 1926 contest of the National College Press Congress.

Equal rights movement has reached the point at the Univer-

sity of Utah where co-eds are insisting on "dutch treat" with their dates. Some of the girls went out with a fellow unless he agrees to let them share the expense. Those Flossies would be popular anywhere.

## CONCERNING POLITICS

The plan to "clean up" politics tends to make one think that political elections on this campus in the past have been crooked, corrupt, base, and demoralizing. Up until last year the elections had generally been run off on a one party ticket. There had been very little competition for the different offices on the final card. The various factions had been able to trade men in the caucuses and the final agreement meant the candidates were elected before the voting had taken place.

Last spring found two parties in the field, both offering men for practically every position. One of the groups employed the open method and the other used the secret practice. It is no news to say that the secret group won and that some of those who were defeated cried "dirty" politics. There were others in the defeated party who admitted that clever and subtle politics had been used during the campaign. It is our belief that the party that uses the open method is going to win this year because the voters will be skeptical about "dark horses," after having the "intelligentsia" tell them that they were sleeping last spring.

The new plan which is being expounded by Dave Carroll has both virtues and defects and how they will balance is a question yet to be settled. No attempt has been made to work out the minute details. If the Di and Phi societies are to be political groups and nominate two separate groups of candidates, there will have to be a third and possibly a fourth party, for there will be more than two men for many of the offices. Then there is the problem of unequal advantages. Some claim that the Di or Phi nomination will give a man an advantage, while others believe that such nominations will mean the automatic election of the independent candidate, because ninety percent of the students are not members of either society. The co-ed element is in the same status and would not have any voice in the nominations.

But we wish to say this: There is always room for improvement and we go on record as favoring an investigation of the proposed system of elections. If it proves to be best, it will probably be adopted and if not, no harm will be done.

## JONAS SPEAKS ON WASHINGTON'S DAY

Father of Charlie and Donald Jonas Will Lead Memorial Exercises.

Final arrangements for the Washington's birthday program have now been completed. Memorial exercises will be held in chapel on Tuesday morning; the regular period of time will be prolonged to one hour to allow ample time for the address.

The speaker of the day will be Charles A. Jonas, Lincolnton, a member of the present general assembly. Mr. Jonas is a graduate of the University of North Carolina of the class of 1902. Since his graduation he has taken an active part in the educational and political life of the state, having taught in Winston-Salem High School, served as superintendent of the Mount Holly graded schools, postmaster at Lincolnton, practiced law, and sat in the state legislature as senator in 1915-17 and now as representative. He has also been a trustee of the University

since 1917. Mr. Jonas will be given a hearty welcome on the campus not only because of the fact that he is one of the most prominent of the younger alumni, but also as the father of two very popular students, Charlie Jonas and Donald Jonas.

The Chapel Hill Alumni Association is bringing Jonas here under its auspices, and R. D. W. Connor, of the history department, is chairman of the committee on arrangements.

The Freshman Debating Society will hold its regular weekly meeting tonight at 7 o'clock, Y. M. C. A.

## Di and Phi Discuss Carroll's Political Proposal, Etc.

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deeds which would become public property. "The life of a political frameup leader," he stated, is limited to one year." On concluding, Senator Carroll stated that he proposed offering space in his weekly column in the TAR HEEL to all hints of embryo political frame-ups, if the suspicions could be at all verified.

**Frat Brother: President?**  
Mr. Mewborn attacked the plan, stating that it was utterly impractical, and would only serve to complicate the situation.

In order to make the discussion more free, a system of questionings was suggested by Senator Carroll. Senator Shohan questioned the Senator at length as to the plan. In his opinion, the plan, although delightful in its idealistic theory, was not feasible. He saw the purely artificial division of the campus into warring camps as impractical. Furthermore, fraternities, which are now an important political unit, would have chapters divided against themselves because of the traditional east-west division of the Di and Phi. He pictured the dilemma of Senator Carroll if a fraternity brother belonging to the Phi were to run for President of the Student Body on the opposing ticket. He also observed that a man would be obligated by his

membership in one of the organizations to vote for its candidates, whether or not he considered them the most meritorious. In concluding, he asked Senator Carroll if he considered the meager attendance at the meeting, which had been widely announced as one of great importance, as justifying the assumption that the organizations could be successfully used as campus-wide political units. Senator Carroll admitted that it did not.

## Past Conditions Not Bad

Senator Milne, in his inimicable manner, suggested that present conditions were not so bad. "Past exposes have done little good. One group can pull the wool over the eyes of the students. Then, very probably, they are exposed. But when elections come around again, they are able to repeat the performance. Some of the speakers seem to consider the frameup of 1925, in which only one man was nominated for each office, as the worst in frame-ups. But 1926, with two parties in the field, did not elect better men than the one party frameup of the year before."

After several more speeches by both sides, the talking was limited to one minute statements and questionings by those who had spoken before. At this time the major issues were hidden by clouds of petty technicalities.

In a final statement, Senator Carroll stated that he would leave his column open to any suggestions that anyone wished to make in regard to the problem. He then moved that an-



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other joint meeting be held to consider the question. He suggested the appointment of a committee to draw up questions relating to the matter which were to be answered by the proponents. The motion was passed. Senators Milne, McPherson, and Bledsoe were appointed on the committee for the Di and Phi. President Kennett, Messers. Crew, Covington, and Chappell were appointed for the Phi.

## A Public Forum

Senator Carroll then suggested that the meeting be held in the form of a public open forum under the auspices of the Di and Phi. This was added to the duties of the committee. The forum will be held some time during the coming week.

After a few more minutes of minor arguments, the two societies adjourned.

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