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### PARAGRAPHS

Have you got it. She had it. It was darn clever, even though it did have some itless its.

Paul J. Ranson has become famous overnight. A writer in one of the state dailies dubbed "Ratty," Lochinvar Ranson.

"K. O." Warren also has a new nomenclature. Since he is both boxer and wrestler, he is being called "Munn."

If the Tar Heels lose in the game with Duke tonight, the State Championship will go to Wake Forest, Carolina thus relinquishing its hold on the claim of joint ownership. It just mustn't be did!

The drubbing of the White Phantoms at the hands of the Old Liners was the best thing that could have happened. It showed them that there are going to be others at the Tournament who can handle a ball, and also satisfies those who are superstitious. The Pyorrhea Champs always lose the last southern conference game on the home floor and then go to Atlanta and . . . well, you know what happens.

Bunn Hackney and Bob Sides sing their swan songs in the game with the Blue Devils tonight, so far as home games are concerned. Sides is also winding up his athletic activities in all sports, as he is finishing the work for his degree and will not be here for baseball this spring unless he can be induced to return and take graduate work.

We received a letter several days ago addressed to the Editor of the Open Forum, which

reminds us of the rumor that "Editor" Dula has extended his field of literary activity by writing a piece of futuristic poetry for the Magazine, and also an article entitled "Bull," it being a pseudo-scientific analysis thereof.

### AN OBNOXIOUS LIBERTY

The university library is here for the good of all, but not every one makes use of it. This business of getting an education is a matter of personal initiative. There are some students who subscribe to the library only when compelled to; others read fiction to pass away time. And then there are the students who read classic literature because it is a pleasant way of self-improvement.

Anyone of the latter class is constantly met at the library desk with the rebuff, "The book is out." After being repeatedly subjected to this annoying inconvenience, the student will investigate and find that some member of the faculty has taken the book, which is to be returned at his discretion.

Now why is it that this great university, with its library of 150,000 volumes, should continue this system which works to the ultimate harm of the student for the edification of the professor? Most of the professors have authority to order out new books which they would like to have for their respective departments. As soon as one of these books is received, the particular professor who has ordered it will pounce upon it, and then it is his to have and to hold. And simply because they are not restricted in the use of these university books, many a professor will keep them long after they are of no further use to him. In fact, several instructors have confessed to have held books out of the library for a period of more than two years.

It is thoroughly understood, though, that this is not true in all cases, or even in a majority of cases. That professors should have access to all library books is as it should be, but the books should be returned to their proper places in a reasonable length of time. Now if a member of the faculty be writing a thesis, and be in constant need of the works of one or more authors, he should be allowed a special call on these books. The library might provide a special depository for books which are used in this way, but it is very unfair to other subscribers to deny them access to these books for years at a time.

It is because of the fact that many of our faculty have made a license out of a liberty that this liberty ought to be curbed!

### Dr. Wilson Goes Abroad

Dr. T. J. Wilson, Registrar of the University, will leave Chapel Hill Thursday on a two months' trip abroad. He will sail from New York February 26 on board the Leviathan, and will arrive at Southampton, England, March 4.

This will be the first real vacation that Dr. Wilson has had since he came to the University in 1908. Assistant Registrar G. K. G. Henry will direct the affairs of the registrar's office while Dr. Wilson is away, following a general outline that he has prepared.

In an interview with a Tar Heel reporter yesterday, Dr. Wilson stated that his primary aim on the trip would be for recreation, but that he would endeavor to secure as much information as possible on the administration of foreign universities. He will join his son, T. J. Wilson, III, who is a Rhodes scholar at Oxford University, in England and will accompany him on a tour of France and Italy.

Dr. Wilson will return to Chapel Hill about March 20.

### OPEN FORUM

#### Editor of TAR HEEL:

Until about ten o'clock Saturday night, there was prevalent on the campus, a supposition that the Grail dance would be limited to a much smaller group of stags than the preceding dances; but the sight of gold or the inability to count evidently led those who sold tickets to disregard entirely the number of students who filed past the counter into the floor. Excepting this oversight, the dance was a success.

The music was excellent—better than any we have heard at Grail dances; the decorations could not have been improved upon; the solo dance idea is an admirable innovation and the buck dance during intermission relieved the boring atmosphere that prevails during an intermission in the gymnasium. For this we heartily applaud the Grail.

But we expected to have a little more room on the floor. Admitting about three hundred stags wouldn't hurt so much; but when there are about five hundred, then it's a trifle crowded. Personally, we would like to have the price of admission raised a quarter and the attendance of stags cut down about a third. That might eliminate a few of those who come to the Grail to learn to dance or to loaf when they have nothing else to do. Bad dancers get in—it can't be helped. I know for I've slipped in several times. But it does peeve a fellow when some moose who had an extra seventy-five cents plants a ponderous hoof on our dainty feet. Fortunately I have no corns, and I'm lucky to have my toes. The crowded floor reminds me of a night club that is so packed, one can move only the eyes. And there have been some in attendance at the Grail that should be able to wiggle their ears.

Excuse this tirade but everyone thinks the same about me and everyone else—and rightly, I suppose. I merely question, couldn't the admission price be advanced a little and about a third of the crowd eliminated?

HE WHO GOT JOSTLED

### CARROLL'S PLAN HEARD IN CHAPEL

Taylor Bledsoe, Old Warhorse, Presents Idea With His Sanction.

"Upperclassmen have already framed-up the presidency of the rising sophomore class," Taylor Bledsoe, well-known senior and campus politician, declared in chapel yesterday morning. Bledsoe outlined the Di-Phi plan of holding elections, and urged all men interested in politics to be present at the mass meeting of the student body to be held in Gerrard Hall tonight.

After presenting his arguments in favor of the projected system of elections, Bledsoe took up the objections to it, as outlined by N. G. Kartus, first year law student, who was to speak against it but was called out of town over the week-end. After reading Kartus' arguments, Bledsoe stated that they were insufficient to overthrow the plan.

Nominations for campus offices would be made in the literary societies by majority vote, according to Bledsoe's plan. The nominations could not be confined to members of the societies. All Di and Phi members would be pledged to support the nominees.

Kartus' objections were that open politics are impossible, and that they would be carried on under the plan as secretly as before.

### BUSINESS SENIORS MEET THURSDAY TO GET REDRESS

Fourth Year Men To Air Grievances At Meeting With Commerce Dean.

Dean Carroll's dissatisfied seniors will meet with the Dean of the Commerce school Thursday afternoon at 4:30 in 112 Saunders in an effort to straighten out the recent ructions in the school. The trouble has been brewing throughout the school for some time it is rumored, and the seniors in the commerce school have recently brought the matter out in the open. They asked Dean Dudley D. Carroll to meet with them in an effort to have a sort of "True Confessions" session, in which souls are to be laid bare and a truer understanding is to be laid for future relations between students and members of the faculty in the Commerce School.

The trouble was first made public in the symposium of schools compiled by the Tar Heel last fall, and later in the Senior Issue of the Tar Heel, for which Fred Simon was Editorial Writer. In the editorial in that issue, a protest was registered in no uncertain terms of the methods of several professors. It was stated that their methods have proved either too harsh, or in several cases, too inefficient: The result, in either case, was low grades, and intense



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dissatisfaction on the part of the students for certain courses and professors.

As an indication of the justice of their stand, the commerce seniors have shown several startling facts to be true. The School of Commerce has 503 students, whereas the School of Liberal Arts is not much larger, having only 602 students. Nevertheless, the honor roll for the fall quarter, which contained 238 names, was distributed as follows: College of Liberal Arts, 124; School of Education, 30; School of Engineering, 29; School of Applied Science, 25; School of Commerce, 23. This placed the School of Commerce at the bottom of the list of schools as far as the honor roll was concerned. Furthermore, fifty-six juniors and seniors were placed on the Dean's list of the A. B. school, which permits optional class attendance. Only eleven seniors and juniors in the Commerce School made the optional attendance list compiled by Dean D. D. Carroll. It was

further stated that forty men in the Commerce School failed to pass a single course last quarter, a situation which is to be found in no other school.

### Seniors Notified

Seniors who are candidates for the A. B. Degree this year must file at the dean's office a statement to the effect that their major and minor programs have been approved by the head of their major department. The dean's office can certify for graduation no student who has not brought in this approval from the head of his major department.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merritt Sunday night at Watts Hospital.

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