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**THE COUNCIL'S ACTION**

Thirteen students have been found guilty of gambling and suspended by the Student Council. Most of the suspensions were for the spring quarter only, but a few cases were dealt with more severely.

It is understood that some of those suspended are dissatisfied with the methods employed in conducting their trial, claiming that they were coerced into giving testimony, and that a petition is being circulated in their behalf with the view to appealing to the student body. After being passed around for about 24 hours the petition bore some 50 names yesterday afternoon.

Those sponsoring the petition are pursuing an unwise course. They are laying themselves open to the suspicion of toting a grudge back to events of last fall. Such a method is not calculated to get at the heart of the matter. If an appeal were deemed necessary, it should have been to President Chase or the faculty or both. They have the veto power in such cases, and past experience indicates that they would not fail to use it to the benefit of the students expelled, if, after investigation, they thought these students had been wronged.

Rejection by the Student Body of the decisions of the Student Council would mean rejection of the Honor System at Carolina, and nobody wants to see the Honor System go. The present Student Council was elected by the Student Body at the regular elections last spring. They are the duly constituted representatives of the Student Body. The Council is not composed of one man, but of a number of men representing varying

shades of opinion. We believe that the present Council is fair-minded and will handle all cases to the best of its ability.

As for the students expelled, if they were found guilty of gambling, the Council was acting within its jurisdiction in requesting their withdrawal from the University. It is expressly stated in the University catalogue (chapter on student government) that gambling along with drunkenness is a shipping offense. In view of which fact we hardly see how the alleged coercive methods could have been very effective. Those who were found guilty first knew, or should have known, that they were headed for suspension if the Council followed the usual policy of its predecessors.

If the men suspended feel that their case ought to be reviewed, the Student Council should gladly grant the request, if they see the remotest possibility of the introduction of new evidence that might change the verdict.

**PAY THOSE "Y" PLEDGES**

Last fall a new system of getting Y. M. C. A. pledges was inaugurated. The new method was thought to be an unusual success in its initial year, as more men pledged their support to the "Y" financially than in any previous year. However, much of the money pledged is still unpaid, and the "Y" books show that nearly \$2,000 is outstanding.

The officials of the "Y" are not prone to show any antagonistic attitude toward the students who made the pledges and who failed to pay them at the stipulated time. Rather, they feel that there was a misunderstanding at the time the students' bills were paid. The officials believe that the students were under the impression that the "Y" pledges were listed on the student bills and paid when these bills were paid. Such was not the case. The pledges (most of them) were paid at a separate window.

One week from this coming Sunday the Human Relations Institute will begin its series of meetings here. This Institute, the largest and most elaborate affair of its kind ever held at this University, is going to bring nearly a score of the outstanding men in the field to speak at the meetings. The average cost for bringing these men here will be around \$75 for each man. It is chiefly for this reason that the "Y" officials are urging the men who have failed to pay their pledges to do so at once.

**OPEN FORUM**

Editor of TAR HEEL:

I understand that fifteen men have been requested to leave the University for the good of the institution. I also understand that they have been given their ticket of leave for playing poker. If this is the case, I suggest that the student council make a clean slate and ask all of the students, including themselves, and the faculty to leave. The University would be a great deal better off, for inanimate objects such as buildings and trees are unable to sin.

I grant that the student council has the right to coerce witnesses, but I think that in so doing they are defeating the purpose of student government. This government of ours is founded on cooperation, and when compulsion enters in, the whole bottom drops out of it. When the council resorts to such tactics as they have in this instance, they imply that they haven't the cooperation of the student body. There are two

alternatives in such a case: resignation or a turning back of the powers of government to the faculty where they originally resided. I, for one, would much prefer enlightened justice at the hands of the faculty to blind justice at the hands of students who have a feeling that the pole of the universe extends through Chapel Hill and that this old globe of ours is resting on their shoulders. The great trouble with the council is that they lack a sense of humor.

I cannot see for the life of me that gambling is wrong. The whole of life, all of its phases, is a huge gamble. Tables with green felt tops are one of the principal adornments and *raissons d'etre* of such clubs as the Elks and Masons. Life would become terribly monotonous unless there were such things as ivory cubes, cards, and white horse. In fact I believe the whole world would be better off if every one were in a permanent state of gentle inebriation. I would suggest that each member of the student council take about three drinks apiece before sitting on the next case. I am sure that their idea of the moral condition of the campus would undergo a marvelous improvement. They would embrace moral turpitude with a delightful abandon.

The writer has seen gambling, drinking, and other kinds of social vice while here on the campus. He has not reported the offenders because he believes that such matters are to be settled by the individual. It is no concern of mine whether a man cheats, drinks, or what not, so long as he does not trod on my toes. He is hurting himself, if anyone. I say give him free reins. If he breaks his neck, well, shed a tear if you so desire, or pass on, just as you see fit.

In closing, I wish to express my utter contempt for the stool-pigeon or stool-pigeons who squealed. Any man who will sacrifice a friend or an acquaintance in order to save his own hide or in order to have companions in his misery is a low-down louse, an odorous insect of the lowest stamp. I have seen gambling and drinking, I repeat, and I have seen certain members of the student council when they would have been unable to dispense their judicious justice. If the council wishes to call me up and attempt to make me tell what I do not care to divulge, they may try their hand and see how far they will get.

HAROLD A. BREARD.

Editor of the Tar Heel:

For the past several months I have been one of the many that have been caused to suffer on account of the selfishness of a few "pseudo-musicians — or should I say—"would be musicians."

This noise begins about day-break and ceases only when this



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bunch of selfish students have blown themselves blue in the face; this usually takes place about 1 a. m. If this racket possessed even the semblance of real music, perhaps I could at least put up with it; but I am sure that if our good friend Beethoven could be called here from the "nether regions," or even Ted Lewis from the "jazz regions," they would rend their hair in agony and give up music as a bad job.

Not only is this attempt at music a strain on the ears, but the continual patting on the floor above one's head is more than likely to drive the sufferer to suicide, or something worse.

I understand that there is some rule to the effect that all music—pardon me!—noise—in the dormitory must stop by 9 o'clock. But of what advantage is such a compromise? It would be a conservative estimate to say that at least half of the inhabitants of dormitories start studying before 9 o'clock. Why not set the time for the cessation of all noise in the dormitories at 7 o'clock in the evening?

There are a number of places where these great musicians may retire and blow their heads off at will. Perhaps Gerrard

Hall could stand the shock. However, I am by no means certain of this. You know Gerrard Hall is getting rather old and unsafe.

Signed,  
"FRITZ KREISLER"

NOTE: I am the great Kreisler, composer and critic of music."

Curves have ousted angles in Paris styles. Excepting, of course, triangles.—*Chicago daily News.*

**Fayetteville Club Meets**  
The Fayetteville Club met Monday night in the club room of the "Y." Sixty-one members were present. Refreshments were served. It was announced that officers will be elected at the next regular meeting of the club, which will be held March 21.

The Epworth League will give a St. Patrick's Day social at the Methodist church Friday night.



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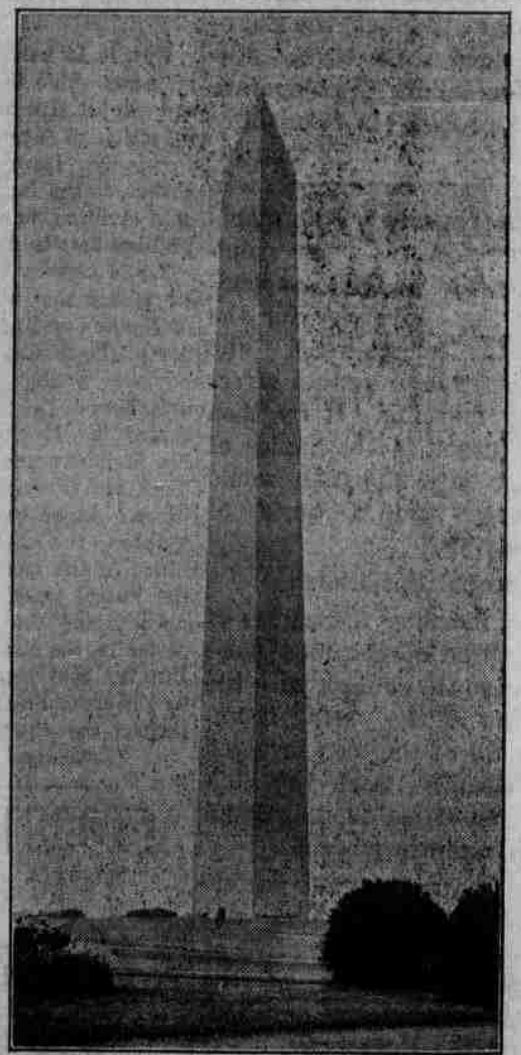
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