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HICKS DON'T WANT AL

The continuous attack on Alfred E. Smith, governor of New York and possible presidential candidate on the Democratic ticket, in the election of 1928, because of his religious affiliations and his so-called defiant attitude towards the Eighteenth Amendment leads one to inquire if something more vital than this is not behind the attempt to crush his chances at heading the minority party's slate.

Forgetting the while that Al is a Catholic and a wet, we go behind these and discover that he represents two very important growing elements in governmental circles. These have attained the heights in other fields of human activity and now the portals of the rulers of the nation are being stormed. Governor Smith represents the offsprings of the immigrant citizens of the country of the first and second generation, and he symbolizes the movement for urban control in governmental affairs so long held by the rural and lesser populated districts.

With the big guns of the antagonistic faction of his party turned on him in every issue of the daily papers, we dig back behind the propaganda that he will, if elected the chief magistrate of the United States, be the puppet of the Pope or that he will nullify a part of the Constitution. The higher up the ladder in the governmental circles one goes it will be found that the question of giving the supreme reins of the nation to one of, and the representative of, hoi polloi, the products of the melting pot, and at the same

time to permit the big cities to get into control at the expense of the town and rural peoples—that is the real motive behind the uproar of opposition to Smith's candidacy.

Al is a Catholic. He is an admitted, moderate wet. But neither of these will keep him from occupying the high office of the land. If he fails to win the Democratic presidential nomination in 1928, it will be because of the studied and subtle opposition of the first families and the citizens of the more or less rural regions of the nation.

LAW AND ORDER

If W. E. Wilson, editor-in-chief of the Wataugan, N. C., State college literary magazine, can clean up a bad police situation (provided there exists such) in the city of Raleigh, the Tar Heel wishes him Godspeed in his work. Elsewhere in the columns of this paper will be found the editorial, entitled "Law and Order."

Since the appearance of this work of Editor Wilson's in the May issue of the magazine, the Raleigh commissioner of public safety, who controls the police department, has turned the case over to the Wake County grand jury for a thorough investigation. That police of the Capital City are guilty of arresting a driver for speeding and dividing the fine among three members of the force, and that one ranking officer sold liquor to a prominent citizen—these are the allegations made in the Wataugan editorial.

The investigation by the grand jury is underway. It was brought out in the press yesterday that Wilson had been arrested for speeding around midnight and released one hour later. No disposition of the case appears on the city court records, although his name is entered on the police blotter under the charge of speeding.

Editor Wilson, six State college students and one Raleigh citizen appeared before the grand jury Tuesday. It was also learned on the same day that J. E. Deitrich, former employee of the J. J. Fallon Company, Fayetteville street florists, was the unnamed citizen Wilson, in his editorial, connected with the alleged sale of liquor by a "ranking officer" of the Raleigh police force. Other findings of more recent date have not been divulged and are kept secret by the investigator.

There is a possibility that Editor Wilson's charges cannot be sustained. Yet on the face of the situation there appears to be some foundation for them; certainly the speeding incident gives signs of showing irregular disposal of the case. The Tar Heel has but the advice of David Crockett to offer Editor Wilson: "Make sure you are right. Then go ahead."

USELESS PUERILITY

(D. D. C.)

(This is not the official TAR HEEL opinion, but purely the editorial of the associate editor, who has previously discussed campus organizations.)

The writer would not be thought a petty moralist nor a caterer to controversies. However, he shall always claim for his editorial opinions a certain degree of honesty. He could not do this if mere membership in Sigma Upsilon were to blind and silence him to hypocrisies which have been condemned in other organizations.

The writer thinks that the appearance of the Yellow Journal this week will denote an expression of puerility nonpareil. This falsifying sheet is rarely humorous or invigorating. Yellow Journalism is a pernicious, cowardly practice which appeal to

men's appetites. Although its news is naturally devoured, its devotees should be shooting marbles instead.

As for Sigma Upsilon, which publishes the paper, no campus organization is more worthy of contempt. Steeped in self-sufficiency and know-nothing cynicism, it is a disgrace to its brilliant past.

CLIPPED

Law and Order

"Law and Order—Bah! Yes, law and order for those who are not in position to help themselves. If the local police may be taken as typical limbs of the law which we have over our whole nation, then it cannot be long till some communist idea might well step in and shatter its sanctimonious bonds over the masses of the people. We were witnesses to an arrest made for speeding some six months ago or more. The victim was taken to headquarters and fined. The fine was distributed before the eyes of the victim among three officers present in the office.

"No record was ever made of the fine.

"Not a month ago we were witness to a sale of contraband liquor between a very prominent citizen and a ranking officer of the local force. Liquor delivered and stowed away for you, if you please. There certainly could be no complaint against the service which these men are rendering as bootleggers alias guardians of the peace. It's not that selling liquor is in itself inherently evil. Opinions might differ as to that particular point. But no one would claim that it is the proper thing for a sworn officer to aid, promote, and abet in violating one law while holding others responsible for other points on the statute books.

"The irony of fate—we cry. Yet to what avail?"

—N. C. State Wataugan.
Editor's note: The editor-in-chief of the Wataugan is W. E. Wilson, of Asheville, a member of the senior class in the engineering school of N. C. State College.

NET TEAM BACK FROM GOOD TRIP

Won Every Match Played; Two Were Rained Out.

The University of North Carolina tennis team, which made its annual Northern tour last week, returned to the Hill Sunday night. Out of the six matches that were scheduled for the trip, the team won four, while two were rained out. The tennis team has not lost a single team match all season, although they were tied here by Duke. The best exhibitions of tennis that were given on the trip came from the racquets of Captain "Dunc" Elgin and Charlie Waddell. These two lost but one match in singles apiece during the whole trip, and together were defeated in doubles but once.

Miss Sara Purrington spent the week-end at her home in Scotland Neck. She was accompanied by Miss Leona Lewis.

Impeachment of Dave Carroll Taken Up by Di

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May 7, 1927, concerning the collecting of fines and dues in the Senate, and said article was a most a most extravagant breach of decorum for any member of the senate to indulge in, besides violating his pledged oath to 'support the Senate in credit', and has thus added perjury to further conduct which violated the instructions of the President in obedience to the constitution

not to reveal any circumstance which shall tend to derogate from the dignity of the Senate.

We most earnestly urge the Senate to impose the full penalty of permanent expulsion after a trial in accordance with the constitution has been given the accused." Signed by Senators L. B. Kennett and Taylor Bledsoe.

President Glenn announced that the accused will be tried according to the manner provided for in the constitution at the regular meeting of the Senate next Tuesday night. If the case is finished at that time, the sentence, if accused is found guilty, will be imposed at the next regular meeting. President Glenn stated that the accused will be given a copy of the Articles of Impeachment in order that he may properly work out his defense.


At this point, the nonchalant Senator Carroll rose and asked: "Mr. President, are my activities at this trial to be confined to my own defense, or shall I be allowed to assist the Senators Bledsoe and Kennett in the prosecution of this diabolical criminal?" But the President frowned upon this question and declared that the Senator would not be allowed to ridicule the august body. So it appears that the scandalous Senator will be compelled to defend himself.

In view of the fact that the recent action of the Di in regard to the method of collecting dues was rescinded by President Glenn because of the tie vote on the matter, the finance committee has taken the matter into

their hands entirely and will present some method of collection at the next meeting.

A bill introduced by Senator Milne providing that no prospective member may hereafter be initiated into the Di until the initiation fee has been paid was passed.

The following resolution was introduced and discussed briefly by Senator Milne. "Resolved, that the Di Senate go on record as favoring the admission of Co-eds to the Golden Fleece, provided they may be induced to join." The resolution was defeated by one vote.



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