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PARAGRAPHS

Add to startling news of the day: "Democrats War over Al Smith."

Hope is that the Tar Heels can avenge the Deacons' grid glories in Raleigh tonight.

One thing we can agree with the Mr. Eddy on, if everyone doesn't want to fight, there'll be little likelihood of any fighting.

"Candle Burns Out," is the laconic headline in the Thursday issue of the TAR HEEL. Probably due to burning it at both ends.

"Seek to Ban Home Made Static Now," headlines a daily. Hope is that the beginning is made with the home talent saxophone players.

A hasty glance at Editor Gardner's latest literary organ gives one the impression that there has been a great renunciation on the part of someone in regard to student contributions.

Announcement is made that a University campus scene is to be one episode of a new picture. Seeking a memorable one, we suggest the opening exercises of Graham Memorial building.

Begins to look like we are gonna have a war since President Chase insists that things are in a helluva mess in Italy and Russia, not mentioning the proposed appropriations curtailment.

"Council to Meet Only by Demand of Students," headlines the favorite tri-weekly. Not meaning that this is typical of our student government, which has been reported as reaching the "acme of perfection?"

PRESIDENT JONAS' OPPORTUNITY

The student activities committee's disposition of the question of convening a student governmental convention is a happy one. The activities group in meeting Monday evening decided that it was not incumbent on the present President of the student body to call such a convention without a favorable expression from the present student body.

The feasibility of such a convention has been subjected to doubt all along. One has to become fanciful to a degree, idealistic to a point and certainly sanguine to imagine that a group of students will sit, thoughtfully and with deliberative mien, for a number of days and thrash out the problems of student government, the adoption of a constitution and such allied questions when student conduct is sailing along as evenly and smoothly as it ever has since the student body ascended to the governmental saddle. The second resolution adopted by

the activities group seems to be the outstanding piece of work done at the Monday evening meeting. This resolution moves that machinery be instituted "for the investigation of student conditions and problems and make a report to the student body in mass meeting." The "machinery" suggested is special committees composed of thoughtful and informed students to review various phases of student conduct; viz, cheating, drinking, petty thieving and other forms of violations that are constantly being reported. There is no intention to spread alarm by the recitation of the violations. It is true that some feel that student government under the present system is falling short of expectancy; some dark pessimists see rack and ruin ahead.

A wonderful opportunity is offered these committees if they are properly constituted and go about their work with the best interest of student government and student welfare at heart. There is a definite feeling among certain thoughtful individuals that some changes in our student government are necessary if we are to avert the pitfalls in which other student bodies have fallen of various institutions. The letter of Norman Block in the last issue of the TAR HEEL is indicative of such sentiment. Mr. Block agrees that the governmental convention should not be called. But he senses danger ahead under the present system. Mr. Block says:

"Only those who are blinded by complacency fail to see the humor in the recent statement declaring that student government at this university has reached the acme of perfection. To others it is a joke, a farce, so ridiculous that it borders on absurdity." Pretty strong words, to say the least. Despite the fact that the indictment smacks of the abandon and vehemence typical of a Broadway chorus girl's affidavit against her sugar-coated, big papa in a breach of promise suit, there is food for thought for you here. Mr. Block has the reputation of being a thoughtful man, one who thinks before shouting. Hence his opinion deserves attention, his charges investigation.

A remarkable opportunity is offered the President of the student body. The student activities committee has empowered him to appoint several committees to investigate student conduct, government, etc., with the express view of obtaining reliable information on student conduct so that it may be determined if changes in student government are desirable. By wise selection of the members of these various committees, or committee, and close attention to their work, President Jonas will be doing a real service to the University and student body.

INVITE SENATOR REED HERE

One of the Raleigh dailies announces that Senator Jim Reed of Missouri will address the members of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Raleigh sometime during March. The coming of Mr. Reed to Raleigh arouses the interest and hope of the TAR HEEL.

Senator Jim Reed is recognized today as being one of the outstanding leaders as well as lawyers, in the country. Moreover, he has been mentioned a number of times for the presidential nomination by his party. His services in the United States senate are pretty well-known to those who keep abreast with the times. A fearless thinker, debater and public servant, the Missourian cuts wood on the senate floor with alacrity, courage and fire that assures that he is indifferent as to what politician may suffer concussion of the brain from being struck by the falling chips. His resoluteness and actions have convinced that he is a man of principles, if the application of such a conventional phrase here may be pardoned.

Time was when the somnolent Di and Phi societies bid for fame and recognition by inviting men on national importance to the campus. Couldn't one of these organizations break its prolonged siesta long enough to invite fiery Jim to come over to the University and speak while he is so near at hand? Perhaps the faculty lecture committee could be put into action by the importunities of those who would like to hear the Senator.

FILLING A LONG-FELT NEED

The action of the authorities in charge of the University grounds in laying cinder walks from the campus to the tin can will meet with the hearty approval of the student body. The complaint was recently raised by a number of students that the inaccessibility of the tin can during a rain, or the conventional Chapel Hill period of mud, was a source of general dissatisfaction. Knee-deep mud deters when one must wallow through nearly a quarter of a mile of it. Hence when basketball games were played in the can on rainy nights, or those immediately following, many spectators who were anxious to see the Tar Heels in action

forewent the game because of the muddy route leading the scene of action.

However, with walks of substantial materials leading to the tin can the disagreeableness and inconvenience suffered with encountering the mud will be allayed. The TAR HEEL thinks that the grounds committee has filled a long-felt need in constructing the walks to the tin can.

CLIPPED

THE BLACKNESS OF EUROPE'S CLOUDS

Dr. Harry W. Chase has no reputation as an alarmist. Yet he has come back from six months in Europe tremendously impressed not only with the ravages of war in country after country but—what is more important—with the blackness of the war clouds now hanging over a continent. So impressed has he been that he has taken the matter to the public in at least two addresses. He has said the same thing with, if possible, more emphasis at Durham; and it is not without significance that Dr. W. P. Few, present at the same meeting, "concurred in the opinion expressed by the Carolina president that danger is ahead."

Specifically Dr. Chase is on record as believing that unless the world moves along more sympathetically and with the cordial help of America "war and its causes, even in your life and mine, will find the world embroiled in a conflict that will make the last war seem like a small one." Both Dr. Chase and Dr. Few see the greatest menace in the expansion of Italy and Russia; greater menaces to Europe, Dr. Few thinks, than was Germany.

The opinion could hardly be called that of profound students of international politics, seeing that neither college president pretends to such authority. Yet both are men with some ability to see straight and both have general knowledge of world affairs. Nor is it to be expected that the contrast they can see between their own state in its present high tide of development and a continent admittedly crushed by its burden is the sole cause for such pessimism.

What they are saying now has been said by many others. It is said periodically by virtually ever dispassionate spirit which looks intently at the world scene. David Lloyd George has said it repeatedly. Some of the highest officers of the British army have said it. Great numbers of students of the world scene have echoed the same words. And perhaps there is hardly a statesman of high rank in the world who does not have to think about it.

But it is not a popular message, it is not a generally pondered thought and it is pre-eminently not a matter about which any considerable number of people or governments appear disposed to do anything of major proportions. That may be primarily because government generally, for all the efforts at innovation since 1918, are living under the traditions of an alder diplomacy, and that diplomacy tended always to hold war not only inevitable but a useful tool for the attainment of national aspirations. It is a traditional spirit born of the days when war was a matter largely of armies and not, as it is today and will be to greater extent tomorrow, of whole populations and of all continents.

Nothing is more difficult than looking into the heart of the infinitely complex movements of national ambitions and fears and placing a finger on the spot of the next explosion. We have no idea whether the views of men whom North Carolina knows as well as it does Dr. Chase and Dr. Few are, in this instance correct. But if they spoke on any other matter with such seriousness, and even solemnity the state would listen closely.—Greensboro Daily News.

RESTRICT NON-RESIDENTS

Dr. Chase suggests to the executive committee of the board of trustees of the university that enrollment of students from other states has reached a point where the advisability of restriction should be considered. The enrollment of non-resident students has steadily increased, it is said, for several years. At present 392 students, or about 15 per cent of the entire student body, are from other states. This large attendance of non-residents is accepted as evidence of the popularity and the efficiency of the University of North Carolina. It would seem inhospitable to refuse to share our benefits with the outsiders. But sentiment can't always be taken into account. The demand of our own to be served is of course the first consideration; and if the demands on the university of North Carolina folks reach the limit of our ability to provide, as seems to

be impending, the only way out is to limit the outsiders to the number that can be accommodated after our own have been cared for. Not always are we able to meet the requirements of the institution as they should be met; and considering the limitations so frequently imposed in meeting extension costs, it would be impracticable as well as impossible to urge that provision be made for those who really have no claim on us, as much as we would like to care for all who would come.

The question of restriction it is understood will be definitely determined next June.—R. R. Clark in Greensboro Daily News.

FOUR COLLEGE YEARS OR ONLY THREE

Professor Taussig's recent advocacy in an address before the Harvard Liberal club of a three-year course has focused anew upon the time required in the United States for the completion of college and professional training. It is well known that in Europe a student accomplishes this task on the average of two years earlier. Time is of the essence in America, if it is anywhere. Why not, then, crowd the four years of college into three?

The well known Harvard economist thinks it can be done by making the freshman year less dull and less elemental. To discuss dullness is always commendable, but just how this will save time Professor Taussig does not point out. Nor is it easy to see just how the first two years of college, to say nothing of the freshman year, can be made to deal with less elementary subjects. There is far too much ground to cover. The body of knowledge is constantly increasing. Information and so-called "tool" courses absorb practically all of this period.

Does the solution, then, lie in the curriculum of the secondary school? Why is it possible to speed up the educational process during these eight years that lie between the primary school and college? Some school men give us a negative answer. They tell us that the democratic ideal of mass education determines the rate of speed.—Christian Science Monitor.

Phi Beta Kappa, founded in 1776 at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Virginia, is the oldest Greek-letter fraternity.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

10:30 a. m.—Gerrard Hall. Sherwood Eddy will speak on "Moral Standards—Modern View of Marriage—etc."
8:30 p. m.—Raleigh. Basketball Carolina versus Wake Forest.
7:00 p. m.—Gerrard Hall. Sherwood Eddy will speak on "Sex Sanctity."

SUNDAY, JAN. 22
11:00 a. m.—Methodist Church. Sherwood Eddy will speak on "Dare We Be Christian? What Is Christianity? Religion and Social Justice?"
3:30 p. m.—Methodist Church. Open Forum to discuss subjects of Eddy lectures.

7:30 p. m.—Methodist Church. Sherwood Eddy will speak on "Can We Still believe in Religion? Do We need a New Reformation? What Religion Means to Me."

MONDAY, JAN. 23
7:00 p. m.—Y. M. C. A. Meetings of the Y Cabinets.
8:30 p. m.—Tin Can. Basketball. Carolina versus Virginia.

TUESDAY, JAN. 24
7:15 p. m.—Di and Phi Halls. Meetings of the Dialectic Senate and the Philanthropic Assembly.

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