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### PARAGRAPHS

It seems that the reviewer finds the literary standards of the Magazine "raised" without jacking-up the editorial staff.

Papers say that the high schools will argue farm relief. Probably these fellows are getting as childish as our congressmen.

Cosgrave, Irish Free State president, says that Chicago is a much libelled city. Probably King George has the same feeling.

Is this another North Carolina first: North Carolina ranks 48th in the per capita amount paid for the atre admissions.

"College Statistics Elected," headlines the *Teco Echo*. What's this we have been hearing about collegiate politics?

"Sub-Assistants To Be Selected and Not Elected," headlines the favorite tri-weekly. Opinion is that in reality that has been the practice all along.

"War Talk Just 'Sheer Madness Declares Borah," runs the headline of a state daily. Question is what the American Legion will do about that.

"Campus Wilderness Undergoing Change; New Parking Space," runs a headline in the *TAR HEEL*. Now who was the chap who said that wildernesses were good parking places?

We thought about all that could be said about the honor system had been uttered recently on the campus, but along comes Parson Moss and sermonizes on "The Honor System, by St. Paul."

University of Kansas professor says that the earth will blow up in a million or so years. That's what the good people of Nawth Ca'lina have been saying would happen if Al Smith gets the Democratic nomination.

A superior court judge in Greensboro refused to okay a court order to let a minor spend \$1,000 per year here in pursuing an education. Possibly the judge was not familiar with the situation and forgot about the week-ends.

State College sports writer ends his observation of there being two basketball games in Raleigh the past Saturday evening with the following: "But, boys, support State." Not that bad yet is it, Technician?

### WHY FRET WITH SUPERVISION?

The old question of faculty supervision of collegiate publications is brought to the front by the proposal of the editor of the *Guilfordian*, the

official student newspaper of Guilford college. The contemporary editor makes a furtive hint that his paper would function just as well without faculty supervision (as it evidently has now after a glance at its masthead) as it does with, at the present time.

Editor Cox recites the success of the *Guilfordian* in recent years and concludes:

"This is merely to show that the paper has prospered without censorship by any higher authorities. What we are asking is that we be allowed to supervise ourselves by means of a publication board."

Here, it appears, is a peaceful revolt against faculty censorship. What is faculty supervision and censorship? The time was when every college that possessed a student publication had some several faculty supervisors to guard the sacred honor and reputation of the institution from the barbaric incursions of the uncivilized collegiate journalists. Today conditions have changed.

With the exception of a few moss-back and myopic administrators, faculty censorship is not only frowned upon in leading educational institutions, but is not practised. A few notable exceptions are found at various colleges over the country. College journalists are human, just as human as the faculty advisor. Few are radical to the point of being rabid, fanatical. As a rule the average college editor is a person with exalted ideas of freedom, human rights, and with habit of being an enormous booster, a la Babbitt, who has the best interest of his, or her, college at heart 99 1-2 per cent of the time.

Faculty censorship? Bah! After all college journalists are mere humans who desire to learn more about that particular field of endeavor in which they are keenly interested.

### FINANCING STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The question of financing student governmental activities arose at the recent meeting of the Student Activities committee. It was pointed out at the meeting by President Charlie Jonas that necessary expenses that would aggregate between three and four hundred dollars were annually entailed in the functions of the student council and other branches of activity of the student government. In the past this expense has been met by an appropriation by the dean of students' office, it is understood.

It is hardly necessary to point out here that the expense of the functioning of the council and other student government functions should be born by the students. There are expenses to be met in every field of activity undertaken. Since this expense has long been existing, it is surprising that the matter of placing the costs of student government directly on the students has not been brought to the attention of the student body sooner.

Members of the activities committee were more or less at logger-heads as to the method to secure the amount to provide for the governmental expenses. One member suggested a foray on the surplus now being accumulated by the publications union. This would be in the form of a small per capita appropriation of the five-dollar fee paid by each matriculate annually. Another suggestion was to make a direct levy of say from twenty to fifty cents on each student, collectable as fees for publications, athletics, etc., are collected through the business office.

As to the first suggestion, the publications fee should be used exclusively for that particular activity. If the controlling board realizes a surplus through wise financial supervision and management, then that surplus should be spent in a way that will bring about improvements of the publications.

The direct levied fee for student government is feasible. Such a practice is in vogue at a number of colleges and universities. However, the question may be raised, isn't there enough petty fees to pay already? The most convenient thing to do by those seeking financial aid for some activities is to levy a fee and let the business office collect it. There are now enough fees of various sorts collected from the students.

It appears to the *TAR HEEL* that each class should appropriate, or set aside in its budget, a proportional share of the expenses of student government. Nearly two thousand dollars were collected during the fall quarter for the four classes by the University business office. If each class president would carefully budget his year's revenue, a small part of his annual fees collected by the business office could be set aside and contributed towards the expenses of student government without materially affecting his year's program.

An American woman, Mrs. Samuel Slater, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, in 1784 conceived the idea of using cotton fiber for thread.

### CLIPPED

#### THE UNIVERSITY AND THE PLUMBERS

The heating and plumbing contractors of the State are holding a two-day institute at the University of North Carolina.

At first blush there seems to be something a bit off color about this. What has the University to give plumbers even as important and necessary as plumbers are? Second thought convicts us of clothing the present day University with the sweet scented robes of old academic theories. There was a time when all universities wore these robes in dignified and indifferent isolation. What had a University to do with plumbing, with sanitation, with the chemistry of sewage disposal?

We now know very well what a well rounded University that puts its engineering to the test of practical everyday needs, has to do with plumbers. We know that the plumbers have just as much to gain from a closer contact with the University as school teachers, as doctors, as lawyers, as social workers, as newspaper writers. We know that the University is getting down to the finest sort of usefulness when its equipment, the results of its researches, and the full resources of its personnel are at the disposal of any group of North Carolina workers even when they are making a business, and a profitable business, of promoting the common good.

We need plumbing; some of us long for cheaper plumbing; all of us would appreciate better plumbing.—Raleigh News and Observer.

#### THE W. C. T. U. OBJECTS

(By New Student Service)

Iowa City, Iowa.—Agnes Maude Royden, England's foremost woman minister, does believe in companionate marriage, but she does smoke, and that is the ground on which the Iowa W. C. T. U. is trying to prevent her from lecturing at the State University.

The W. C. T. U.'s stone is not the first, because Chicago and Boston have already decided that Miss Royden is not fit company for Christian ladies. Miss Royden, after speaking at Yale, told a reporter for *The News* that she considers smoking "completely trivial." The W. C. T. U. does not think so, and it has warned the mothers of Iowa students that the minister is a person of "high ideas but low ideals." Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, president of the state Temperance Union, said:

"Students will admire her for she has a strong personality and is able to sway her audience. Admiration will cause the young susceptible girls of the University to ape the woman." The university administration has not yet taken action.

#### CANADIAN UNION

(By New Student Service)

Montreal, P. Q., Can.—Representatives from eighteen Canadian Universities gathered at Toronto during the Christmas holidays for the first conference of the National Federation of Canadian University students. The new organization passed on numerous projects, from selection of a debate team to represent the union in international contests, to steps toward obtaining for the students of Canada reduced fares from railroads. A proposal for exchange scholarships between the institutions in the federation met with approval. The Canadians showed a capacity for immediate action rare in the various American collegiate unions.

#### Correspondence Instruction in Canadian Provinces

To meet educational needs of families living in remote parts of Manitoba, and of children unable on account of physical handicap to attend school, a system of correspondence instruction has been inaugurated by the provincial department of education. It is estimated that about every fourth person in the Province of Manitoba is seeking by study to reach a higher educational standard.

In Saskatchewan, where an outpost's correspondence school has been maintained for two and a half years, enrollment has reached 247. It is believed that about 20 per cent of the students are of foreign extraction.

It was considered proper in George Washington's day to eat peas with a knife and to drink tea from a saucer.

### Random Thrusts

By



#### Just an Old-Fashioned Evening

According to the *TAR HEEL* the Carolina Rifle Club is meeting every Tuesday and Wednesday evening under Memorial Hall "for a quiet evening of shooting." Sounds very much like those old-fashioned evenings we so often hear about from the older generation—with Mother sitting by the fireside crocheting, Father reading the evening paper, Little Mary in the corner playing paper dolls. Maybe our Rifle Club is not so terribly militaristic and blood-thirsty after all.

#### What Will It Be?

And the Wigwag and Masque plans a new review for the spring quarter. How we will miss our old friend "The Kalif of Kavak" if it has really been revived for the last time. But perhaps those shining lights, Professor Urban T. Holmes, Gene Erwin, Bill Atlee, Frank Howell, and the chorus—oh! my, yes, *always* the chorus—will again appear to delight their audiences.

#### The Funniest Thing

Carolina campus is really to be the scene of one episode in *College Humor's* moving picture of college life. Suggestions have been made of various fit subjects for the comic camera. The *TAR HEEL* suggests a carnival, baseball game, wrestling match, or the Playmakers as a nucleus for the picture. Does that mean that such topics are essentially humorous in aspect? But since Graham Memorial—unfinished as it is—has long been the laughingstock of the campus, surely it should at least be the background for the *College Humor* scene. Then there are certain numerous incidents—and persons—peculiar to this campus that would make excellent material! Each individual student must have his own personal opinion as to "the funniest thing."

#### And When?

"COUNCIL TO MEET ONLY BY DEMAND OF STUDENTS"—If such a statement could possibly be true we suppose there would be very few meetings of the student council at all. But that particular headline must have been referring to the proposed convention rather than the council.

#### Wherefore?

"The Magazine is here as a laboratory for the undergraduate with literary inclinations," declares an editorial in the October issue of the *Carolina Magazine*. A November editorial says: "We invite comparison with any other North Carolina college monthly which publishes only student material; we can only smile at the superficiality of criticism which ignores the fundamental purpose of a publication and persists in setting up professional standards for amateur work."

After such a firm and uncompromising attitude toward the nature of *Magazine* material, the February *Magazine* appears with scarcely a student contribution save a few poems and the customary book reviews. We cannot help wondering what is the matter. Have all students declined to enroll for the "laboratory" course? Or has the editor decided to cooperate with the Reviewer to a fuller extent than heretofore? We lament the change and ask the reason. But perhaps the change is all for the best. Our Reviewer "finds little fault" and declares that the "literary standards are raised!"

#### Momentous Questions

Sherwood Eddy's lectures drew huge crowds of students and covered a number of important topics. But now that the questions of War, Industry, International Relations, Religion, Sex, Marriage, etc., have all been threshed out, there still remains one other to be discussed. The Carolina Theatre has boldly decided to delve into the subject and see to it that the campus gets an answer: Do Gentlemen Prefer Blondes?

#### All Improvements Welcomed

The candidates for sub-assistant managers of varsity and freshman sports begin their work this week—and thank heaven they are not to be selected by any election. The old order passeth and the new taketh its place. Every freshman now has an equal chance to show his ability and his interest regardless of his fraternal and political alignments. This change in method of selection marks a decided improvement in athletic managementships.

To guide aviators, large arrows pointed north have been painted on lighthouses on the Atlantic Coast.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### TODAY

7:15 p.m.—Manning Hall. Meeting of the Dialectic Assembly.  
7:15 p.m.—New East. Meeting of the Philanthropic Assembly.  
8:00 p. m.—Tar Heel office. Meeting of Editorial Board.  
8:30 p.m.—Gerrard Hall. Piano recital by Gertrude Henneman.  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 25

7:30 p.m.—Venable Hall. Moving pictures. "The Story of Bakerlight." "Romance of Paints and Varnishes."  
4:00 p.m.—Person Hall. Lecture on "Unfinished Symphony" by P. J. Weaver.  
THURSDAY, JAN. 26

4:00 p.m.—215 Murphey. Bull's Head Reading. Mr. S. E. Leavitt will read from Marguina's "The Hermitage, the Fountain and the River."  
8:30 p.m.—Smith Building. Smoker for the Faculty.  
FRIDAY, JAN. 27

4:30 p.m.—Pharmacy Hall. Meeting of the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts.  
7:30 p.m.—Episcopal Parish House. Graduate Club Meeting.

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