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PARAGRAPHS

Add to typical North Carolina court procedure items: "Mrs. Montague Winner of Fight for Freedom in Higher Court."

"McAdoo Appears in Picture Now," headlines a daily. It seems that there is something always bobbing up to ruin a good show.

"Respected Woman Died in Orange," headlines a daily. Not meaning that her demise in the county of Orange would detract any respect, eh?

Berle discussed the natural history of toleration in his Sunday evening sermon. Now is this another fellow proclaiming that toleration has died a natural death?

"Dialectic Senate Will Discuss Al Smith's Chances," states a headline in the favorite tri-weekly. Now we suppose that another question of vital importance will be settled.

Our columnist inquires if it is expecting too much to have the annual come out on time, or even early. Not too much since the directory has finally made its appearance.

With nary an inkling as to what turns campus politics will take this spring, the politically minded will have to seek entertainment by reading the reams of political news published daily about presidential possibilities.

Reports state that radio broadcasting does not cut down church attendance despite the report that it has its bad effects on basketball games. Which goes to show, as one chap remarked, that bull is still mightier than brawn.

SMALLER HIGHWAY APPROPRIATIONS AND EDUCATION

The move made by the state highway commission in session yesterday at Raleigh should be of particular interest to those who are interested in and intimately associated with other state-supported institutions. The highway commission adopted a resolution declaring that no more bond issues will be requested of the state at the next meeting of the general assembly for support and construction work of highways. The resolution as adopted by the commission reads as follows:

"Resolved, That the State Highway Commission will not request the next General Assembly to authorize an additional bond issue to be used in the construction of the State highway system. The commission, however, is considering a plan for the addition to the State system of additional roads to be maintained at State expense."

Just what this resolution means in the matter of future support of the

highway system by appropriations of the general assembly is hard to say. Since 1921 four legislatures have had issued \$115,000,000 in bonds for the purpose of constructing highways. It goes without question that this stupendous sum spent for highways has paid the state heavy dividends since the construction of our enviable system. North Carolina has received wider and greater comment on her road building program than other undertaken in recent years.

However, those informed and with an eye to the future have seen that such extensive outlays for roadbuilding cannot continue with the problem of small and inadequate appropriations for other state institutions hampering the effectiveness and functioning of these institutions. While the mass and progressive leaders have been shouting and booming for more highways, others have seen that education and charitable institutions, supported and controlled by the state, have not been receiving their proportional share of appropriations. Perhaps their day has, or is about to, come now.

This should not be construed to mean that there is any sentiment here to disparage the value of North Carolina's highway system and the importance of continuing with the program. In this day when communication at a rapid rate in the cheapest way means so much to the business activities and the general welfare of the citizens, highway construction cannot be allowed to reach a stagnant stage. Nor should the expansion in the system by building new roads, and the addition of more routes to be maintained by the state, be halted in anywise.

The commission reports that the surplus available for construction after all other charges upon the current revenue of the highway commission had been paid for last year amounted to approximately \$8,000,000 and is expected to be greater this year. This simply goes to show that funds for highway work are being, and can be raised by adequate taxes on gasoline, automobiles, etc. It is coming to be recognized that those who use the highways should pay practically all the costs of construction and maintenance, while at the same time it is granted that highway construction will enhance values of real estate and other holdings.

If the highway commission does not ask for a bond issue and continues to find ways of placing the costs of the highways on those who use them, it is clearly seen that more funds will be available for educational and charitable projects. It is incontestable that these recognized state duties have been playing second fiddle to highway construction.

CLIPPED

BROADCAST BAN

It will strike those who have followed the swift development of radio broadcasting that the State College and the University of North Carolina followed a short-sighted policy when they put a ban on the broadcasting of basketball games. We believe it is a policy that will eventually be discontinued and that the college athletic authorities will welcome, as they ought to welcome, this additional instrumentality for popularizing sports.

Basketball is a peculiarly exciting game from the spectator's standpoint. It is a game that brims over with action, and with such rapid action that the uninitiated is apt to miss the nice points of the sports because the eye has not been trained to follow the play. Even a graphic description of the game is no substitute for the game itself.

If there has been a falling off in basketball gate receipts, since broadcasting was inaugurated, is it not possible that this is due altogether or in part to some other cause? Even if to some extent this decrease in attendance is due to the radio, is it not possible that the advantages in the long run vastly outweigh any immediate handicap?—Raleigh News and Observer.

WOULD NOT BE POPULAR

So far as we have been able to find, no one North Carolina newspaper has expressed approval of the proposed plan to increase tuition at the University of North Carolina. The press of the state is about as close to the sentiment of the people as any other class, and the fact that there is much opposition to the proposed increase indicates that the people generally would not endorse it. The University is the state's own institution, and should, even if larger appropriations are necessary, (and they will be), try its utmost to accommodate the greatest number of young men and women who earnestly desire an education. If anything is done by the state, it should be in lowering the costs of securing an education rather than increasing it.—Durham Morning Herald.

CELLAR

SEEPINGS

BY ANDY ANDERSON

James M. Cox says that prohibition is an experiment, and that the experiment must run its course. Well, there have been a lot of runs made since prohibition.

"That isn't gneiss," said the man as a passing motorist threw a lot of dust in his face.

The earliest known use in English literature of the expression "I do not choose" is in several of Shakespeare's plays. We expect to hear the reverend Cal bust out most any day with a pun.

Chapel Hill Weekly says that Mr. Booker was "on the air" the other night. We beg to differ with Mr. Graves; a more appropriate use of our language would have been "in the air."

A certain criminal was sentenced to be hanged. When the party arrived on the scene, the rope was there but there was no loop. "Well," he said, "no noose is good noose."

Trotsky is as good as his name. He's forever on the trotsky.

We notice that Hickman has told an alienist that his (Hickman's) confession was not correct. If this goes through, Ye Stude will probably try the same method on professors after quiz papers have been graded.

Kidnapping seems to be quite in vogue at present. How come some of the professors have been overlooked?

Secretary Wilbur wants the navy either built up or scrapped. Why not do both and use this scrap iron we hear so much about?

Two of the oldest chickens in the world were exhibited at a poultry show in New York recently. What we want to know is how one of them got down this far.

A man was arrested in Chicago the other day for operating a machine gun and being drunk. We suppose the judge took his drunken condition into consideration and let him off.

Scientists say that man's cycle of life will be 100 years before very long. As long as the scientists have quite a bit to do with the matter, we suggest that the life of congressmen be shortened.

Geraldine Farrar says that youth is largely a state of mind. Goodness, youth can't have sunk that low.

The annual cost of higher education in this country now is \$300,000,000 educators estimate. We suppose that includes funeral expenses of collegiate liquor experiments.

Some woman has written to a doctor telling him that her baby eats dirt whenever he can get hold of any. Reports extant are that several campus politicians are related to the family.

"Maybe the university authorities who banned automobiles were only taking a rap at companionate carriages." This probably means that spooning couples can't be divorced from them.

A 12-year-old New Jersey boy pointed a rifle at a teacher when she refused to give back his dice. It is rumored that both weapons were loaded.

Law dance here tomorrow night and a Grail Saturday night. Students will be going round quite a bit over the week-end.

Fireman added to local department, we learn. Probably to keep things hot in the village.

Chapel Hill is to have an art exhibit. Will slickers be included in the show?

We notice that Jamaica expects a record number of tourists this year. The ocean must have been playing havoc with rum ships.

This paper formerly was a sport sheet exclusively. From the last issue, it appears that it is going back to the old policy.

Add to Southern paradoxes the speech of a Kentucky gentleman when he accidentally stepped on the toe of a man he hated: "Pardon, suh; damn you."

BUCCANEER DEADLINE FALLS SUNDAY NIGHT

The last, home and final deadline for copy for the Travel Number of the Buccaneer is Sunday night, February 5. This applies to reading material only as the cuts are already up.

This is the first "number" that the Buccaneer has put out this year; the others have not labored under any special title. After this issue, the Girl's Issue will appear in March.

Andy Anderson, editor, stated that keys were awarded on a competitive basis and those holding the best record in excellence and volume of copy submitted would be awarded charms at the end of the year. He also stated that the editorial staff had not been functioning as well as it should have for the past two or three months, necessitating the deadline to be moved up constantly to allow for late copy. The above deadline, he says, is final.

Appearance of Hampton Quartet Again Postponed

Due to a continued conflict of engagements a definite announcement of the date of the appearance of the Hampton Quartet cannot be made at present. The group was to render a concert in Memorial Hall on March 6.

Mr. H. F. Comer announced yesterday that they were expected between now and May. This event will be looked forward to by the entire campus. Last year the group gave a selection of negro spirituals and old-time songs to a capacity audience. The songs were well-received, and several encores were given. The singers hail from the Hampton Institute in Virginia, and are practically the only famous quartet who still present in their programs the old negro songs.

MISTAKE

A Duck Brand slicker was taken Tuesday night from Welcome Inn cafeteria by mistake. The slicker bore the name of Paul L. Gilbert on the inside of the lapel. If the mistaken party will come to 202 F he can get his own in exchange.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

TODAY
4:00 p. m.—Murphey 215. Bull's Head Reading. Mr. Booker will read from the poems of William Ernest Henley.

FRIDAY, FEB. 3
10:00 p. m.—Carolina Inn. Law School Ball.

10:30 a. m.—Front of Law Building. Group picture of Sophomore Class.

SATURDAY, FEB. 4
8:30 p. m.—Basketball. Duke versus Carolina. Tin Can.

9:00 p. m.—Bynum Gymnasium. Grail Dance.

MONDAY, FEB. 6
7:00 p. m.—Y.M.C.A. Club rooms. Meetings of the Y Cabines.

TUESDAY, FEB. 7
7:00 p. m.—New East. Meeting of the Philanthropic Assembly.

7:00 p. m.—Law Building, Meeting of the Dialectic Senate.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson At St. Helena's Island

Mr. and Mrs. Guy V. Johnson and secretary, Miss Alverson, have gone to St. Helena Island, S. C., for several weeks to make a study of negro culture and development. This investigation is being held under the guidance of the Social Science Research Council. Mrs. Johnson's work will be chiefly historical, while Mr. Johnson will investigate the negro background.

T. J. Woolfer of this University is also there as chief investigator. Other investigators from other institutions are also there doing study and research work.

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Elects Speaker

Ben Eaton, member of the University Law School, was elected speaker of the Dialectic Senate for the spring quarter at the meeting of the Senate Tuesday night. Speaker-Elect Eaton has been very active in the work of the organization during his stay on the Carolina campus, having represented the society on several debates as well as having a name for himself in the intercollegiate activities.

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