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PARAGRAPHS

Seems to be about time, these cold days, the Confederate monument soldier unrolled that blanket of his and got some comfort.

Casting a pensive eye over the week's production of Open Forum letters, we are inclined to believe that after all the very best thing would be a semi-annual issue of the TAR HEEL—September 20th and June 10th

The mustache epidemic is getting worse. Some of the examples are living, if not growing, definitions of that brightest of all words, Optimism.

The candy vendors must get off the campus. Another move which is a Lucky Strike for some cigarette manufacturer.

The Flonzaley Quartet played in Memorial Hall last night, direct from an engagement at the Academy of Music in New York. The quality of our music is not strained.

The Duke Chronicle Co-Ed editor complains that men are the worst "booters" on class. Yes, yes, but the dear girls wear pumps and slippers, and do their booting just the same.

Machine Age Takes The Last Stronghold

Loud are the protests on every side against the ruthless invasion of the modern machine age. Automobiles supplant the old-time buggies; airplanes drive the birds from their haven in the sky. Household appliances invade formerly happy homes, and wives depart to bridge clubs leaving vacuum cleaners and fireless cookers to do the work.

Factories grow up where once industrious families spun their homespun. Giant tractors plow up the farmers' fields, while the ancient mule becomes nearly as extinct as the dinosaur and ichthyosaurus, the phoenix and the dodo bird. Elevators and escalators carry their passengers rapidly upward, and the tread of the stairs is neglected.

Why, the machine age has even mutilated the art of writing. Whereas once the author copied out his words of wisdom and beauty in a fine, flowing handwriting—now he pecks away at that monstrously efficient machine called the typewriter. And newspaper columns, including editorials, are no longer laboriously set by hand; they spring to life from the magic of a linotype machine.

And so it goes. The modern world demands its machines, and every relic of an older age falls before its inevitable and terrific onslaught. The last to yield, the brave defender of past customs and staunch adherer to the manners and morals of yesterday is the academic realm. Industry and civilization may bow to the overwhelming force of this machine age; but heretofore the libraries of the nation have failed to succumb. They have kept their trust with the past. Upon their shelves rest the ancient classics, secure from invasion, inviolate.

But now even that last stronghold has surrendered. The machine age takes all.—For our new library is to be equipped with a horrid example of the fast modern era, a mechanism consisting of "metal baskets on an endless chain-conveyor which will

bring books from the stacks to the delivery desk."

Where Angels Fear To Tread

The Open Forum situation is again reaching the stage where something must be said about it. Long-winded letters with great husks of ridicule and rhetoric around a nub of an idea or suggestion are appearing too frequently. Many of the writers seem to have forgotten the fundamental purpose of the Open Forum department.

Letters to the Editor are supposed to be concise, serious expositions of the ideas of the writer upon current campus problems or occurrences. Letters which run to a column or two in length invariably make no attempt to present an idea properly. More often they are written merely to take up space and provide a means for the writer to see himself in print.

The TAR HEEL attempts to print all letters sent in, and uses no editorial blue pencil, even where sadly needed. Both sides of an argument are represented when letters are received from proponents of the two sides. The Editors believe that the columns of the student paper should be open to the students. Too often, however, this freedom is abused.

Criticism has been expressed because the TAR HEEL is printing more letters in favor of its plan for a daily than letters which are against the new policy. The very obvious reason for this is that more letters in favor of the plan are written and sent in. The Editors are trying to ascertain what the majority of students really want, and are not trying to railroad one of their pet projects into use.

It is understood in most civilized countries that the best means of finding out the opinion of the majority on a plan is to take a vote. If you honestly believe that a daily TAR HEEL is impractical, then register your disapproval in the proper manner—vote against it. If you are in favor of the new plan, then by all means vote for it.

The Open Forum column will remain open, as always, to any student who has an opinion to express. If you have no valid criticism or opinion on campus matters, you have no cause to take up space in the student paper with personalities and long-winded arguments which get nowhere. Such letters serve no purpose. Before you rush to the typewriter and dash off a three-page letter to the Editor, think a bit. If you have nothing to say, don't say it. If you have, it will be printed in the Open Forum.

—H. J. G.

Faculty Opinion

Editor's Note: This column is inaugurated in order to provide a means of expression for faculty opinion, especially on the daily Tar Heel question which is attracting considerable attention just now. It is the opinion of the Tar Heel editors that faculty members should have a much greater place in University life outside of classes than at present, and thus this column is started with the earnest hope that faculty members will use it to express their opinions on every phase of campus life.

Dear Mr. Editor:

As a hitherto merely intent spectator of the lively and interesting battle of letters-to-the-editor over the campus issue of a to be or not to be daily Tar Heel, I wish to enlist as a private in the marching columns for more and better Tar Heels and more roomy and open forums for students, faculty and other interested citizens of our college community.

In the pro-daily columns have been or perhaps can be listed with more or less validity the following considerations:

1. It would open the Tar Heel front page for a double column box calendar of the main events of the day.
2. It would make space available for untapped sources of news not only in the University here but also in other colleges and in the town, state, nation, and world, especially pertinent to and summarized for this University community.
3. It would double the capacity of our journalistic laboratory.

4. The several galleys left over from each issue now, the gain of several galleys incident to a more pleasing type, the constant galleys of news editorials and opinions, all added to unmined news resources would make up a daily Tar Heel.

5. It would make for a more informed opinion and a more wholesome unity in our life.

It is with regard to this last that I wish to make an observation. Mr. John Dewey once said a nation is a people who read the same daily newspapers. England has a common fund of news and opinion in such papers as the London Times and the Manchester Guardian. The Associated Press ties America together daily with its telegraph and galley lines. The wholesomeness of the unity of a people comes in part from daily access to the common store of news and opinion. Every citizen can start each day with equal access to the printed news and opinions of the hour.

The fact that there is diversity in the news and clashes in opinions gives more lively intelligence to the unity. One essential thing is that there be immediate and equal access to the news for all. The evils of the modern press are not removed by making the news less timely. The shortcomings raise other questions than the immediate accessibility of the news to all. With a daily Tar Heel each citizen of our campus and University community could start the day with a common fund of diverse news and conflicting opinions as one basis for a daily integration of all the various elements which go into the making of our vivid University life.

FRANK P. GRAHAM.

To the Editor of the Tar Heel:

I am in favor of the daily Tar Heel and hope that it can be secured without destroying the present independent existence of the Carolina Magazine, the Buccaneer, or the Yackety Yack. Each of the four publications represents something essential in student writing and publication, and I should particularly hate to see the independent Carolina Magazine go out of business. Of the plans suggested I should prefer a reallocation of funds so as to give the Tar Heel what it needs and require the other three to do with less. It seems to me that the Magazine, the Buccaneer, and the Yackety Yack could each lose in ornateness without losing anything essential; and it is better to lose some of your money than to lose all of your life.

R. B. HOUSE.

To The Editor of the Tar Heel:

I am heartily in favor of a daily Tar Heel, and have little fear that such a paper can not be filled with interesting material. I think the issuing of a daily would tend to get rid of a certain amateurishness inevitable in a tri-weekly, and I hope it would help us to think of ourselves in university terms rather in terms of a college.

Of the various schemes for financing such a publication, I can not speak with much information, but I do not believe that the plan of changing the literary magazine into a bi-monthly newspaper supplement is a good one. The magazine exists as a laboratory for aspiring writers of essays, short stories, and verse. The general flavor of a newspaper supplement is different, and is not conducive to this type of writing. I hope very much that the literary magazine can be continued, and of the various suggestions proposed, that of cutting down the expense of the Yackety Yack seems to a mere faculty member like myself the most practical and the least objectionable.

HOWARD M. JONES.

Open Forum

In order to give room for more representative opinion in these columns, letters must be limited to five hundred words or two double-spaced typewritten pages.

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT FAVORS DAILY TAR HEEL

To the Editor:

If you can spare me a small space in the Tar Heel, I should like to state my position in regard to the controversy that is now being carried on in the columns of your paper. In this connection I am glad to have the opportunity to say that I heartily favor the movement for the institution of a daily student publication on the campus.

Frankly, I can see no valid objection to a daily Tar Heel. I am not an advocate of the plan because I favor the abolition or alteration of any of our regular campus publications; I favor it rather because I believe it is a real progressive step, not

only in respect to our publications, but in respect to our campus life in general. The fact that the only college daily newspapers in the country are to be found in the leading universities is sufficient indication to me that the plan for a daily at Carolina is a worthy movement.

I realize that I am wholly incapable of making an arbitrary statement to the effect that the paper will be a success. My experience with college publications has been far too limited for me to qualify as a prophet of the future of such an enterprise. However, in view of the fact that all the students and members of the faculty actively connected with the present Tar Heel assure me with enthusiastic confidence that a daily can and will be a success, I am willing to venture the prediction that if the plan carries the student body, it will soon come to be considered one of the most progressive changes in our student life in recent years. In many fields of college and university life Carolina has for some time been considered a leader in the South; I hope to see this spirit of leadership and originality extended to the field of college publications.

D. E. HUDGINS, JR.

APPROVES A DAILY FOR OLDEST STATE UNIVERSITY

To the Editor:

The proposed daily Tar Heel is a real need on the campus of the University of North Carolina at present Chapel Hill does not have a daily paper of any description. Is this a healthy condition for a university community? Is this indicative of a commendable tendency in the community which is considered the educational center of the state of North Carolina?

I am not advocating the plan of issuing the Tar Heel six times per week because of any desire to see a new plan tested, but because I consider it a progressive idea of the beneficial type. Frankly, I fail to understand how students could object to a daily Tar Heel after having considered the merits of the proposition. In the case that the proposed plan becomes a reality there will not be any extra burden arising from an increase of fees. As a matter of fact, students will get more for the same price. At any rate, the proposition is economically sound.

What are the facts regarding the matter? The University of North Carolina is an honored member of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the total membership of which is twenty-six. The Universities of Virginia and Texas are the only other Southern members. Interestingly enough, every American college or university which puts out a daily paper is a member of the Association. Certainly, the fact that such schools as Columbia University, University of Texas, University of Wisconsin, New York University, and the University of Kansas are enthusiastic supporters of college daily papers is rather strong evidence of the validity of the plan.

People may be divided into four groups: Conservatives, who are going nowhere at all; Reactionary persons, who are going backward; Progressives, who are moving forward; and Radicals, who are moving forward with unjustified speed. Of these four I choose to be called a Progressive and to advocate a progressive movement in the field of publications at the oldest state university in the United States.

J. C. WILLIAMS.

REPLYS TO JON

To The Editor:

Here are some of the puns which I thought were punk. Perhaps I was unjustified in attacking them; but if John Mebane thinks they are good, he will not mind their getting into print again. I quote from *Mereley Meandering*: "Hello! Now we dare someone to make fun of us for saying that. We don't like modern girls. They are always asking us for cigarettes. Old Gold diggers! Aren't they lucky? We wish they'd walk a mile for a Camel. And then give out of matches. But then, it would be just our luck for them to have a lighter along. But even then they might have trouble getting lit. Most of them never see the light anyway. Now we apologize. That was all said in a light vein. In vain. Do you think it will snow? Aw, snow use talking about the weather. It's such a dry topic at present."

An animal, when wounded, instinctively tries to strike back. The difference between man and the other animals is that man's instincts are controlled to a great extent by his power to think and reason. I don't believe Jon would have written his article if he had stopped to think.

Again I say, Lord save us from a daily student newspaper if it means more of these pseudo-humorous wise-cracking columns.

A. M. '29.

VOX VOCABULARIUM

To Open Forum Readers:

I should like to express a delicate resentment and denial. In addition to editorials signatorily remarked, I have noticed (casually) letters eristically imposed upon the daily-Tar Heel controversy signed with a certain variety of johannean pseudonyms; i. e., "Jon," "Don Juan," et cetera.

Now, at best, pen-names are merely trivial obfuscations sufficiently engendering the false modesty of local literary eidolons.

The undersigned, to put it simply, is in no way to be confused with these recent epistolary mistakes.

JON JUANJEAN.

Potat Addresses State Honor Men

Dr. W. L. Potat, president emeritus of Wake Forest College, was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Phi Kappa Pi honor fraternity at State College last night. The subject of Dr. Potat's speech was, "Eugenics," or how to pick one's parents.

The lecture last night was the first of a series of four at State College. Phi Kappa Pi expects to bring to the campus an outstanding speaker every two weeks. Among those scheduled for February and March are Professor Frank Graham of the University, and Dr. Elbert Russell of the school of religion of Duke University.

Duke Student Is Injured in Wreck

John L. Gibson, Duke University student from Launenburg, is in a serious condition at Watts Hospital in Durham as result of an automobile accident near Forest Hills last Saturday night. He is reported to be suffering from a fracture of the skull.

C. R. Partin of Durham, who also figured in the accident, is reported to be even more seriously injured than Gibson.

Parson Moss Talks To Raleigh Y.W.C.A.

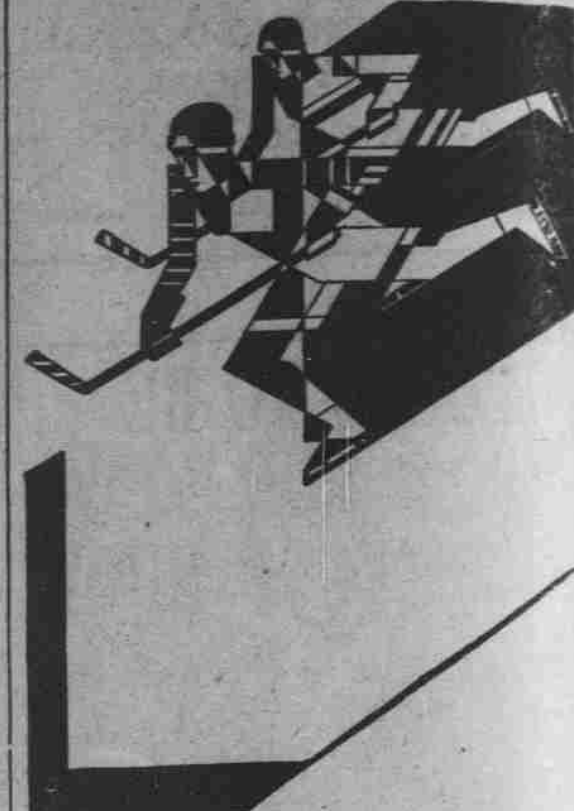
Parson Moss, of the Chapel Hill Presbyterian church, was the principal speaker at the annual dinner meeting of the Raleigh Y. M. C. A. on Thursday night. The Parson said that the program of Christianity is the program of democracy, and that in its work the Y. M. C. A. was not only building for Christ but was building a democracy.

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Pipe Smoker Has a "Kick" All His Own

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Larus & Bro. Co. Richmond, Va. Gentlemen: About five years ago, after trying out many different styles of pipes from the Missouri meerschaum to the genuine meerschaum, including the upside-down style made popular by Vice-President Dawes, and experimenting with just about all the tobaccos then on the market except Edgeworth, I finally decided that pipe-smoking was not for me. For the last year or so I noticed the boys around the office here using Edgeworth to the exclusion of all other tobaccos and evidently getting real pleasure from their pipes. In April of this year I was in Canada on a business trip and decided to take another whirl at pipe-smoking. So I invested a good share of my savings in a pipe and a few cents additional for a can of Edgeworth. From then on I have been figuratively kicking myself around the block about once each day when I think of the five lean years I put in trying to get along without a pipe. However, I am trying to make up for lost time and am succeeding quite well. Why I failed to try Edgeworth long ago will have to go down in history as an unsolved question. But now that I have found it, the years ahead look rosy to me.

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