

## Editorially Speaking

### PROMINENT SPEAKERS

The Carolina Political Union, under the direction of Jimmy Wallace, is entertaining David Lilienthal on the campus today. As head of the TVA, Lilienthal is a big man in the eyes of the nation.

One of the major advantages of receiving a formal education at Carolina is the opportunity of hearing and meeting the highest ranking people of our world community. Their personality can exert a beneficial influence on the whole student body.

By means of a mutual agreement worked out between Wallace and Ralph ("Buddy") Glenn, president of the International Relations Club, a steady stream of national and international figures are kept flowing to Chapel Hill. More eminent men are scheduled to come at regular intervals for the rest of the year.

Go around to Hill Hall tonight at eight-thirty to hear Lilienthal—you'll learn a lot from him.

### GRADUATION ADDRESS

The announcement that Rear Admiral O. B. Hardison will deliver the principal address at the graduation exercises next month was received enthusiastically by the student body.

Admiral Hardison is an alumnus of the University, having graduated at the age of eighteen as the youngest man in the class of 1911. This, however, will not be the first time that Admiral Hardison has returned to his Alma Mater. In fact, since his appointment as Chief of Naval Air Primary Training in February, 1944, he has made repeated visits to the Pre-Flight school here which is a unit of his command. His latest visit to Chapel Hill came only last week when he flew here with his staff to inspect the facilities at the Pre-Flight unit.

It is particularly fitting that Admiral Hardison should come at this time when the University is doing such an important service to the Navy by training large numbers of officers and fliers for the ever expanding fleets. Admiral Hardison, the highest ranking alumnus of the University now in any of the armed forces, has been in Naval aviation since 1923. Since the beginning of the present war, he has distinguished himself as a brilliant leader and has been awarded numerous decorations and citations for his outstanding and heroic services in combat. These decorations include the Navy Cross, Navy Air Defense Medal, and a Presidential Citation which was awarded to the USS Enterprise while he was her commanding officer.

His wide experience with the Navy, his intense interest in the welfare of the University, and his proven ability as a leader of men assure us of a most interesting and worthwhile address at the graduation exercises on February 24.

### IN ALL JUSTICE

Last Saturday's editorial directed at the Student Council's having spent \$73 for Council-Faculty Committee supper discussions was not a condemnation of the Council personally. It is realized that frequent meetings between these two groups is often necessary—indeed beneficial to the whole University. The only point in question was: who should foot the bill? We stated then, and we still contend that the finances for such suppers should not be wrested from the student body. They should be "dutch" affairs. In all justice to the members of the Student Council, however, it should be pointed out that this policy of paying for suppers with Student Government funds was laid down several months ago. Most of the men who are now members of the Council knew nothing about this policy. In fact, one member even suggested before the Council and Faculty Committee assembled that each man pay his own bill. As stated by an old Council member, this suggestion was opposed to the previously formulated policy. Most of the Council members were ignorant of the circumstances.

### NEED FOR FACTS

During recent months a number of students have either been dismissed from school or threatened with dismissal because they had unknowingly violated certain rules. A typical example of the hazy rules now governing the campus are those concerning absence from class. South Building says that the rules are made by the individual departments concerned, but these departments issue no clear statement as to just what rules have been made. As a result, the students violate rules of which they have never heard and suddenly find themselves on the verge of being dismissed from school. The student body would like to have these rules clarified and published.

## The Tar Heel

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## It Could Be Worse

ROBERT MORRISON

What can you learn at college that you can't learn from reading a book? Surely you don't need anything more than a small public library to read all of the classics, to learn the whole history of the universe, to memorize all of the rules of English grammar, to pick up a good general knowledge of the sciences, and to receive a liberal education. With the exception of engineering, the applied sciences, and a few related courses, we have to admit that we don't have to go to school to become educated. From this, one might draw the conclusion that colleges and universities are quite an unnecessary part of our social system, serving only to force knowledge upon those who lack the initiative and self-discipline to dig it out for themselves. Of course, at this point it must be remembered that institutions of learning give beautifully engraved sheepskins giving evidence of the degrees that demand such respect from society.

With this agreed, it doesn't seem that a college has much to offer other than personal association with thinking people. The best history professor in the world couldn't convey many more facts in a class than he could write in a book, but nevertheless, he is able to teach a

lot of facts with his personality which may not concern history, but which may be knowledge of much greater value.

It's also the association with other students that counts. Societies, athletics, socials, and all extra-curricular activities provide a wealth of knowledge which can never be acquired from the printed page. Paraphrasing Dale Carnegie, all the book knowledge in the world will not keep you from being a pauper if you don't know how to get along with people.

The art of getting along with people is the most important course offered at Carolina. The man that makes a good grade on this course can fail every other and still get along.

Anyone who reads the Encyclopaedia Britannica from A to Z (only one man has ever done this—it took him no small part of a lifetime) will have a lot more facts stored in his head than will a graduate of Carolina or any university is required to have. You don't need to be here if all you want is an academic education—just buy a set of encyclopaedias, subscribe to several magazines and newspapers, and you can educate yourself in a very efficient and inexpensive fashion!

## Lux et Libertas

By Terry King and Robert Morrison

The Gondoliers, latest Playmaker production, in conjunction with the Music Department, rang the curtains down Saturday night on what was a thoroughly entertaining and pleasant performance.

Aside from the fact that almost any musical by Gilbert and Sullivan is likely to be enjoyable, the salient factor in the Playmakers' production was the spontaneity and evident enthusiasm of the entire cast. The result was contagious, and the audience seemed heartily appreciative.

It is hard to say in which direction the orchids should be thrown. Most certainly Director Foster Fitz-Simons and his assistant, Mary Tom Colones, should be commended for an excellent job of staging, directing, and timing. Also some note should be made of the scene technicians for the highly realistic entrance and exit of the gondola.

But of course, attention should be paid mainly to the cast itself. There we run into another obstacle, for it has often been noted that there is no outstanding character

in the Gondoliers plot. Therefore, it is hard to place praise on the heads of a few. Honors should be shared equally by Robert Kohl, Andrew Griffith, Catherine Cook and Betsy Thompson.

Kohl, as the Duke of Plaza-Toro, was highly creditable in both his singing parts and his portrayal of the hen-pecked husband of the Duchess, Catherine Cook. Miss Cook seemed by far the best cast of all the performers. The finesse with which she carried herself and her expressive gestures were all much in keeping with being a Very Grand Duchess.

Casilda, daughter of the Plaza-Toros, was played by Betsy Thompson, who acted with superb restraint and contrasted with greater gusto.

Saving the best for last, we come to the Grand Inquisitor, played by Andrew Griffith. With his properly timed movements and a wonderfully mellow voice, there is little doubt that Griffith, at his entrance, was the center of attraction. We

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## By The Way

By Bill Crisp

In an effort to redeem itself from the "pacifist label," the CRIL printed in Saturday's Tar Heel a letter designed to put forth objective arguments against a post-war program of military conscription in this country. I do not think that the CRIL is a pacifist organization, nor do I believe that those of its members who take this stand are displaying a pacifist reaction. But I do feel that the case against military conscription was poorly presented, not because of any lack of ability on the part of its sponsors, but because a real case does not exist.

For instance, the letter states, "It is patent, however, that the nation cannot simultaneously move in two directions." The implication being that peace organizations move toward peace and that military conscription moves toward war. The writers obviously wish us naively to assume that peace organizations and military conscription cannot work harmoniously toward the same end. They fail to mention, however, that the "peace organization" set up following World War I did not preserve

peace. An interesting correlation is that this same "peace organization" did not have any armed teeth at its disposal to enforce the measures which might have made peace more possible.

The letter also states that if the American people assume there is enough intelligence in the world to make permanent peace possible, it "will require that we do all we can to make world organization work. We want it to grow and become stronger." When we are required to "do all we can to make world organization work," how can the writers of this letter expect agreements, however cooperatively drawn up, to remain intact and inviolate so long as there is nothing, except signatures and good will, to guarantee them? And how does the CRIL hope for the plan to "grow stronger" when there is nothing in its makeup to give it strength?

Let us remember that for 24 years France stood alone in Europe, crying for the British and American support which could have rendered Hitler impotent from the beginning. British and American

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## Letters To The Editor

January 23, 1945.

Sirs:

I should like to ask why the Tar Heel continually refers to the University of North Carolina as the most liberal school in the country. If the University were truly a liberal school, both sides of a question would be represented. As it is, we rarely see any but extremely radical political views advocated both in the classroom and in the Tar Heel. Is it that only the extreme liberals and radicals are allowed to teach here? There are quite a few of us in this country and at this school who still believe in democracy. We should like to see the students here exposed to democracy, too; then let them judge which form of government they prefer. Then we can call the University of North Carolina liberal—not until then. If you bother to reply, please do not pull the old one about "true democracy." Why don't those people who believe in communism admit it; are they afraid that if they did the American people might suddenly realize that they are being taken for a ride?

Sincerely,

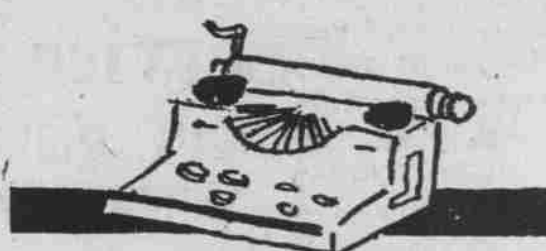
JARED C. FOX, JR.

(Ed's note: The subject of Mr. Fox's letter seems to us rather hastily thought and put. If there are others of the same opinion as the letter indicates, they are urged to write this paper or to the "Gripe Committee," the Campus Cabinet, (in care of Graham Memorial) to which this letter has been referred. If the situation is as critical as indicated, the rest of the campus and the world should know about it.

The Editor cannot recall that any radical political, or just plain political views have been advocated by the Tar Heel. It is pointed out again that the opinions of the columnists are their own.

Neither the Editor nor any of the members of the staff can quite grasp Mr. Fox's last question. Perhaps we're shallow individuals, but we're unable to answer it. Perhaps the Campus Cabinet, or some of the students can?

## Exchanges



By Peggie Case

Down Texas way, the Regents—Rainey controversy at the university is still in full swing. According to the Daily Texan, "In a strongly worded reiteration of a stand first taken last November, the general faculty has voted to again present their demand to the Board of Regents that Dr. Homer P. Rainey be reinstated as president of the university."

Then another front page article urged all students to form a list of people to whom they would like to have information sent concerning the controversy.

The Daily Athenaeum of the West Virginia University reminds its readers that every time they cut a class and miss a day's work, they are literally throwing away \$25. The Athenaeum states that the training received at the university is equal to that amount in future earning power.

Or to put it another way—every time a student misses a day's work, he is literally throwing away the cost of a war bond—and thus missing out on two wise investments for the future.

And speaking of war bonds, the University of Washington at Seattle has gone over the top in its Sixth War Loan drive, selling a total of \$82,300 worth of bonds. The quota for the university was \$69,000.

At the University of Southern California a poll has been taken to determine what the male students think of coed fashions. The poll showed that snoods and gaudy jewels are taboo, anklets "distracting," leg make-up out and jumpers with sweaters on the blacklist. According to these male critics, coeds should stick to bobby socks, saddle shoes, fluffy natural hair-dos and ribbons and herets.

## The Ram Sees . . .

BY AN OLD GOAT

Amidst the echoing squeals of pink elephants (and there are such things!) the Ram is still trying to recuperate from a heavy hang-over of parties this past week-end. From all reports he really went on a RAM-page.

● Saturday night found him with an invitation to dance 'round at McIver Dorm. He was met at the door by Swinky Grady, dorm president. He wasn't there two minutes 'til suddenly everything went pink! It was explained to him that, since it was only nine o'clock in the evening, he could believe anything he saw. Would you, if you saw pink elephants everywhere you turned??? . . . It was like the side show of a circus . . . "not one but a family of them." . . . There was a flying elephant, a flirting elephant and a shiny pink elephant (which they appropriately called "Baby") . . . "Tanks" for this ingenious work go to "talenteds" . . . Nancy Jenkins, social chairman, Nancy Greenwall, decorations chairman, Betsy Burke, Sara Kibler, Mona Turner, Helen Borgstrom and lotsa other capable workers.

### PI PHIS HAVE BIG-WIG COMPANY

● Next week-end the Pi Phis will have the honor of entertaining Mrs. Warren T. Smith, from Tacoma, Washington. Mrs. Smith is the grand vice-president of the Pi Beta Phi sorority and plans to make a combination business-pleasure tour of chapters in eastern schools.

### INTER-FRAT BRAWL

● Shorty's Cabin was a busy little spot again last Friday night. This time the Interfraternity Council and their dates enjoyed a private party. Their early start (at five o'clock) developed into something long remembered.

### THE CIGARETTE CALL

● Have you ever been over at the "Y" in the afternoon when they start selling cigarettes? or don't even smoke? Then you've missed quite a show. It's known as the Four o'clock dash, and has been suggested that the bridge players upstairs start using parachutes!!

### CARR DANCE

● Next Friday night Carr Dormitory is taking over Graham Memorial for a big, big dance. They're calling it their Winter Formal, and will have orchestra 'n all. Betty Jo Wood is chairman of the social committee.

### PACKET NO 2

● News comes with sound and fury from a meeting last week concerning the theme of Packet Show No. 2. At present, "What's it to be?" is the \$64 question. Only one Sound and Fury higher-up is "sitting on the fence"; the others are leaning over backwards for a "Roaring Twenties" or "Gay Nineties" theme. Only time will tell.

### PIN-UPS

● Besides the Ram being busy this past week, Cupid has been doing his part too. Congratulations are in order to Dick Ford and his best girl, Betty Lou Thrush. Betty Lou is the proud wearer of Dick's Phi Mu Alpha (honorary music fraternity) pin. . . . Following suit, shortly afterwards were Peggy Stanton and Jack Samson. Saturday night Jack, in the good old southern way gave Peggy his shield of pearls. "Ah," said the Ram, "ain't that romantical?"

### THAT'S OUR BOY!

● Zeta Beta Tau president Sylvan Stein '42 has recently received the Distinguished Flying Cross. Syl, a staff-sergeant in the Army Air Corps in Europe, has completed more than fifty missions over enemy territory.

### NEWS IN BRIEF:

● Ann "Rusty" Hancock is happy that "that Major is here again" . . . Nancy Stubblefield, Chi-O pledge, is "crutching" about after being laid up in the infirmary for a week . . . Bob George, Jim Waldron, and Mike Morrow unwillingly spent Friday night in Bahama, N. C. . . . The Carolina Mag comes out tomorrow. Girls will be in the "Y" selling 'em for the benefit of the V-12'ers . . . Bouquets to the cast of the "Gondoliers" and their crew. Their performance last week-end was excellent.

### THEY DOOD IT

● Round at the ATO house it's the hearty hand shake for the new brothers! Those recently initiated were Leonard Brown, Earl Elliot, Bob Fahy, Walter Lusk, Cyril Long Mebane, Bill Parker, Thomas Redfern, H. B. Sandlin, Jr., Alex Veasey and Russ Twiford. Congratulations boys.

### BOWERY BALLERS

● The biggest hit of the Phi Delt's season will come off at their house next weekend. For months now they have been planning and looking forward to the Bowery Ball. It's an annual affair with costumes, sawdust and good music . . . strictly a la import. And are all the Carolina coeds envious!!