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A Dangerous Pastime

A serious outbreak of hazing is reported to be sweeping over the campus, especially in the dormitories which comprise the two quadrangles. It is very probable that the reports are greatly exaggerated, but they evidently have some foundation.

Periodically a violent wave of freshman baiting occurs here during the first three or four weeks of the fall term. Every two or three years the sophomores and even a few juniors and seniors inaugurate a reign of terror which results almost invariably in the suspension of a few students.

Laws are in force in this state making it a criminal offense to participate in any form of hazing at the university. Under these laws, a person who witnesses an act of hazing and fails to report it is liable to prosecution. But even these drastic laws have not succeeded in eliminating the practice altogether.

Hazing, if it is restricted to good-natured horseplay, is altogether harmless and in some ways rather valuable. In many cases it gives the freshmen a sense of being made a part of the college, of being truly initiated into college life. A few freshmen actually enjoy the performance. But all of us have a streak of atavism in our make-up, and in the excitement attendant upon a "hazing party" it is likely to become dominant. Frequently what started out to be a harmless session of friendly horse play degenerates into a brutal, disgusting display of barbarism.

At any rate, hazing is a decidedly dangerous pastime, both for the freshman and for the upperclassmen who participate in it. Prospective hazers would do well to reflect upon the serious injuries that sometimes result from "learning the frosh their places." It is but a step from harmless horseplay to vicious brutality. The abrupt and disgraceful termination of their college careers has been the price paid by many students for participation in a brief hazing expedition.

Scientific Forensics

In the good old days when the Di and the Phi held sway over the campus, debating was popular and perhaps the most glorious of extra-curricula activities. Every student was either a senator or an assemblyman. Every inter-collegiate debate and every inter-society combat were events of great celebration among Carolina collegians. Those were the days when the gentle art of oratory was fore-

most and—might we say—flowery.

But times have changed, and the orator, pure and simple, along with his puns and dramatic gestures, has passed from the scene. Into his place has stepped a mightier figure, one who is more fitted for the scientific world of fact and application; the scientifically trained spokesman. He is a necessary person in all groups whose points are to be gained. He is as necessary in the world of business as in the realms of politics and the professions. In brief, he is one whom the college man, in order to be educated more fully, should know intimately.

It seems that the Debate Council has recognized the importance of expert training of debaters in a progressive debating policy. It was largely through the efforts of the council, Professor George McKie, and others, that a debate squad and class were innovated here last fall. So great was the improvement in the quality of debating last year, that it was decided to repeat the course this year. It is understood that the class and squad are now permanent features.

This new program will no doubt be a matter of gradual improvement in campus forensics. But before it can be really successful it must have the support of the students. Many have already signified interest, but there are scores of others who should be actively identified with the program. If scientific debating is ever to have a place on the campus, now is the period, its infancy, when it requires most nourishment. It is to be hoped that the time is not far off when a course in debating will be necessary for college graduation.

—B. M.

Scholarship.

A democratic society which is interpenetrated by scholarship approaches the ideal of human social organization. The American people have yet a long way to go before they even comprehend to the full the problems and ideals of democracy, much less solve the one and reach the other. The disinterestedness of the scholar, the disciplined character of his intelligence, his openness of mind, his willingness to learn, and his capacity to bring new happenings to the test of long experience and of classic standards of excellence, are a richer possession than any gold mine or oil field or industrial establishment, however huge and profitable.

Followers of the economic theory of the interpretation of human history conveniently overlook the debasing and demoralizing influence of unrelieved prosperity and of that contentment which leads to self-satisfaction and cynical unconcern for the needs and longings of others. Nothing so blinds the eyes to a great principle as a bulging pocketbook. For all this the scholar and his career provide the antidote. He goes his way quietly, patiently, effectively, courageously, pouring into the steaming cauldron of public opinion those new elements and those old influences which he believes will help it to become more palatable and more nourishing. He is less concerned with political and social forms than with the substance which underlies and conditions them.—Nicholas Murray Butler.

Pajamas will not be popular as a street costume for men until provided with pockets for a watch, knife, key-ring, fountain pen, pencil, billfold, the twelve-ride railroad ticket, the driver's license, and the little red memorandum book stuffed with newspaper clippings.—Boston Transcript.

Merely Meandering
by
John Mebane

Somebody said to us the other day: "why don't you write one of those columns like you used to write? Don't write stuff over people's heads." Well, we've never written anything over anybody's head—we can't reach that high. But we told him that we would try to please him—that we would be naturally silly for an entire column.

Rain again. Every time it rains, some one steals our raincoat. Some people are slicker than we think.

Say, did you hear that guy—the one in the blue and white uniform—at the game Saturday tell us that we were a bunch of stupid eggplants? Well, we may have been eggplants, but we weren't potted!

No one can call us an eggplant and get away with it—unless they happen to be as big as he was.

When we grow up we'll probably be hard-boiled eggs. But hardboiled or stewed, what difference? Anyway, he said we were stewpid.

Which reminds us. Have you ever read that play called "She Stewpid to Conquer"? (Don't yell "rotten" yet; remember we're still egg plants.)

Headline in Daily Tar Heel:

"ABBOTT ISSUES CALL FOR 1930 WRESTLERS."

Wonder why he doesn't call for 2800 and have the entire student body throwing each other about?

We'd go out; we used to throw rocks.

But boxing is really our calling. When we were in the Boy Scouts, we used to box the compass.

We got pretty scared the other day. We went down to see the stiff room in the medicine building, having as our ambitious intention to watch aspiring young doctors dig into some of the corpses. Well, we got somehow into a large room where everything was very quiet and solemn. Then, like a burst of thunder out of a clear sky, or vice versa, we heard in the next room the rattling of bones! We were frightened just enough to be extremely curious; so we peeped through the keyhole of the door. Our fears were allayed—in the next room a crap game was in progress.

And we didn't make any bones about that.

Honest, we can't think of anything funny—that crack about out slicker is too true.

When any one has ambitions to write and is unable to do so, one always turns to poetry.

TROUBLE

I like the way you tilt your chin,
I like the way you smile,
I like to sit and watch you grin—
It makes my life worth while!

I like the way you fix your hair,
I like your deep blue eyes;
I like that velvet dress you wear;
Say, baby, it's a prize!

I like your little diamond ring,
I like your stately poise;
But I object to just one thing:
You know too many boys!

It is easy to explain the report that telephone calls from the United States to Europe have fallen off during the summer months. The only Americans who can afford them are already in Europe.—Richmond News-Leader.

GILFOND TELLS OF STUDENT R. O. T. C.

Washington Journalist Describes Activities of Student Corps in New Republic.

Following a critical account of other branches of the reserve army, Duff Gilfond, a Washington journalist, describes the work of the students R. O. T. C. in this week's New Republic. Units are now installed in 130 colleges and in the high schools of 55 cities, says Mr. Gilfond, with compulsory service in 85 of the colleges and 20 of the high school systems. In all 127,453 students are registered, and nearly 12,000 more high school students trained in the use of firearms.

The costs of at least one unit amount to more than a quarter of a million dollars a year, with permanent equipment worth more than half a million. The Yale faculty has 19 officers to train its R. O. T. C. unit, the faculty of Cornell 42, and that of Illinois 65.

The author criticizes the wording of certain college catalogues in announcing their military courses, and scores the methods used to attract student registrations, especially the appointment of girls as "honorary colonels."

He quotes from a letter by the national secretary of reserve officers, instructing members to report in advance to national headquarters the visit of any liberal speakers to schools which have military training.

DAVIDSON FRATERNITY GETS CUP FOR HIGH SCHOLASTIC AVERAGE

Davidson, Sept. 30.—(Special)—The Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity at Davidson college has been awarded the James C. Harper loving cup for the coming year, having made the highest average of any of the nine national fraternities located at this institution. The members of this chapter averaged an even 87 per cent. for the two semesters of 1928-1929. Sigma Alpha Epsilon closely followed with 86.75 per cent.

Other national fraternities and their averages are Theta Upsilon Omega, 85.75; Phi Delta Theta, 85.25; Beta Theta Pi, 85.20; Kappa Alpha, 86.15; Pi Kappa Phi, 83.30; Phi Gamma Delta, 82.85. The Pyramid club, a local fraternity, but ineligible for this competition, averaged 85.10. Alpha Omega another local was organized during the past year, but was not included in the averaging.

The James C. Harper loving cup was given by James C. Harper, of the class of 1915, in honor of his father and grandfather, and is annually presented to the fraternity with the highest scholastic average. If won three times successively, it automatically becomes that fraternity's property, but no fraternity group has been able to accomplish this since the cup was offered.

DR. H. W. CHASE TO BE CONVOCATION SPEAKER

Charlottesville, Va., Sept. 30.—(Special)—By far the most important event to occur at the University of Virginia this year thus far will be the convocation which will take place Wednesday morning at 10:30. The convocation, always a notable event at the university, is to have this year a man of unusual note as its principal speaker. Dr. H. W. Chase, the distinguished president of university of North Carolina, is to make the principal address of the day.

Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase was born at Groveland, Mass., in 1883, the son of Charles Merrill Chase. He took his B. A.

degree at Dartmouth in 1904 and his master's degree at the same institution in 1908. Two years later he was awarded his Ph. D. at Clark university. In the same year he was made director of the clinic for subnormal children at Clark. From 1910 to 1914 Dr. Chase held the position of professor of philosophy of education. He then served as professor of psychology, at the same university, from 1914 until 1919, when he acted as dean of the college of liberal arts. In the same year he became chairman of the faculty. In June, 1919, Dr. Chase was elected president of the university of North Carolina.

Dr. Chase has guided North Carolina's state university through the period of its greatest expansion and has done much to make the university the leading institution that it is today. In addition to his distinguished work in this field Dr. Chase is a leading contributor to numerous journals of philosophy and psychology. He is, among other things, the secretary and treasurer of the national association of state universities.

The student attendance at the convocation, it is predicted, will be larger than ever before. Besides the awarding of intermediate honors there will be announcements by Dr. Alderman.

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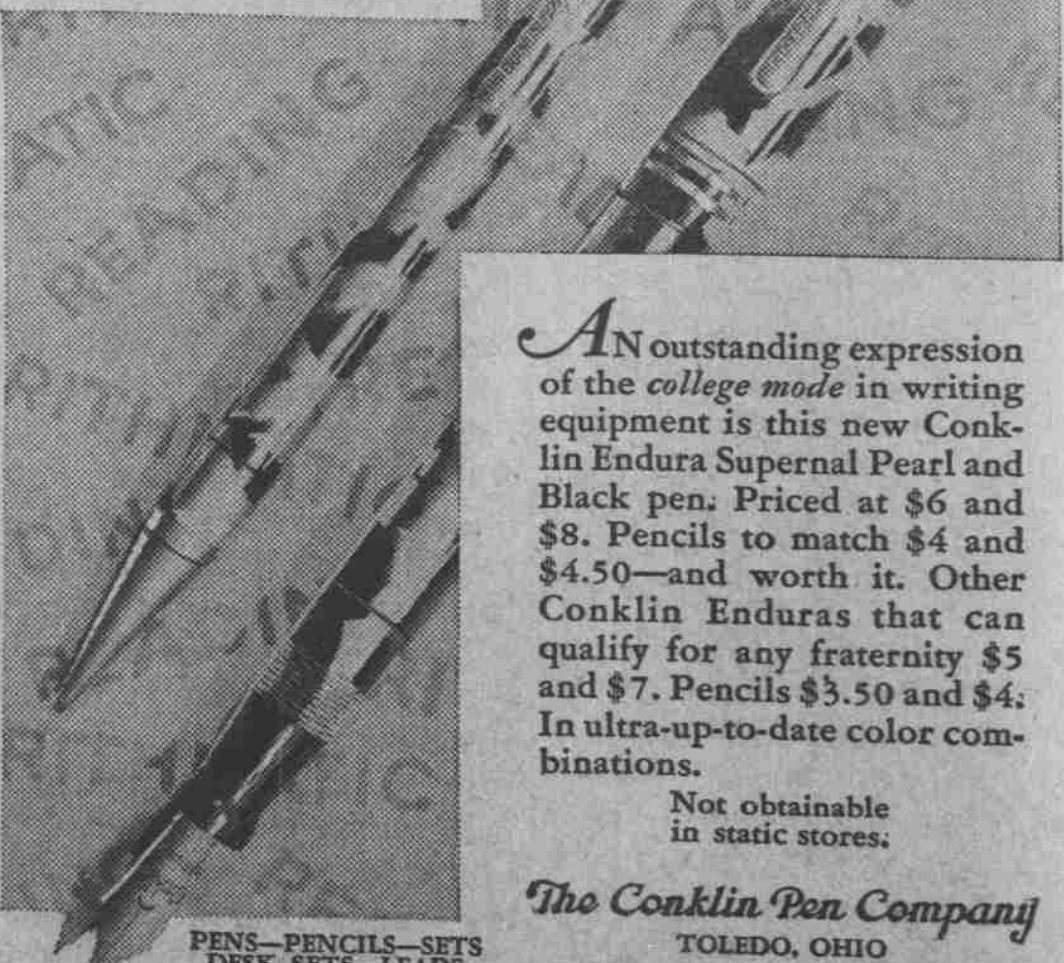
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