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A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

It is the bored type of woman who is the most dangerous to the cause of peace.—Miss Ella Wilkerson, M. P.

Support For The Glee Club

As a part of national music week the Glee Club will present a concert in the Playmakers Theatre this evening at 8:15. Recent press reports of the club's performances elsewhere indicate that those who attend will hear a concert meriting a packed house. But will there be such attendance? We think not, for as a prominent official of the University remarked several days ago, "Carolina students don't go to anything except football games any longer." We are convinced that he is right after reviewing attendance at performances which should attract a large percentage of students, but which are attended by only a handful of spectators.

It is deplorable that here, "the leading southern educational institution," we neglect those things which are an integral part of our extra-curricular education. Whatever one may say, the University is maintained to give education. It was founded for that purpose, and it has adhered to it since the founding. When it fails, then one may no longer say it is an educational institution. And when its students fail to avail themselves of the opportunities of becoming educated the University has failed in its purpose.

After all is not cultural development as important as muscular development?

Anarchy?

Even though it be admitted that, as an ideal, "no government is the best government," few practical, thinking people outside of Russia subscribe so far to the doctrines of Rousseau, Thoreau, and other upholders of Utopian social systems as to contend that a group of ordinary

human beings could actually live under any anarchical form of government—or lack of government. Yet on this campus each individual is subject to no laws other than "the rules of a gentleman," than which nothing could be more vague or subject to individual interpretation and application. There is absolutely no proof available to show that man has advanced sufficiently far to allow each individual the privilege of determining his own modes of thought and behavior.

On the other hand, numerous experiments based upon the idea have been tried on this campus and elsewhere in recent years, only to result in dismal failure for the most part. The most recent and perhaps the most outstanding proof of this was the action of the faculty last quarter abolishing, after three years trial, the system of optional attendance for upperclassmen. Honor boxes, which used to abound in and around the dormitories, are no longer seen. It has become necessary to chain pencils to the desks at the library. Stricter regulations in regard to the passing of bad checks were found advisable last week. And these are only a few of the instances which might be mentioned as taking place right here at home, not to mention such outside occurrences as the recent failure of the educational experiment at the University of Wisconsin.

Furthermore, the stores of Chapel Hill do not find it expedient to operate on the honor system (though some tried it, to their sorrow). Neither the business office, registrar's office nor any branch of the University could function on such terms. No one who recalls the enormous amount of "red tape" necessary to obtain a ticket to a football game will assert that the Athletic Association manifests any faith in it. The same is true of the Entertainment Committee, Playmakers, or any other similar campus organization. Yet in the matter of classroom procedure we go on apparently in blissful ignorance of the facts, or, if shown undisputable evidence against the proper working of the system, fall back upon the old argument that the offender is "hurting no one but himself," a rather difficult assertion to support in view of the fact that grades are given on a competitive and relative basis.

Of course here we do have, in reality, not a true honor system, but a sort of modified monitor plan, wherein each student is supposedly "his brother's keeper," bound in honor to report infractions of unwritten laws. Even this, however, has not mitigated the evils, but has served only to make two guilty where only one was, before.

High School Relations

The University Extension Division has done much to bring the high school students of the state in contact with the University and to render service to the schools in encouraging extra-curricular activities. Thirteen contests, sponsored by the division, are conducted each year among the high schools. According to E. R. Rankin, head of the department of high school relations, there are about 10,000 students in the high schools with whom the Extension Division deals each year. About sixty schools from all over the state are entered in the competitions. Among the many contests conducted under Mr. Rankin's supervision are football, baseball, dramatics, debating, French, and eight others.

This work on the part of the University is of great benefit to the high schools, to the students, and to the University. It

encourages extra-curricular activities on the part of students and makes these activities as beneficial as possible. It is good to see the leaders in the educational field recognize the great value of extra-curricular activities and to do their best to further them. The contests carry the University of North Carolina into thousands of homes in the state. They encourage students to enter this particular university and also point out to the citizens of the state the good work that is coming from the money they are giving to the advancement of education. The high school relations department is filling a most desirable place in the state educational system. —A. V. L.

Readers' Opinions

IN DEFENSE OF SWAIN HALL

Monday morning found an entirely new group of boys flowing into Swain hall, because the Welcome In cafeteria had been closed. The large number of students were disappointed because the Welcome In had met with this misfortune, but they were proud of the fact that they could rely on Swain hall and secure board for less than twenty-five cents a meal. Swain hall has always proven a "stand by" to the students, because they realize that \$22.00 a month is cheap for board.

Many people wonder how Swain hall can afford to feed so well at this low price, while other eating places are closing up. The only good answer that can be found to this question is this: scientific management and economical buying. It is clearly understood that Swain hall is owned and operated through the University, and it is absolutely unprofitable concern. Therefore, this proves exactly why Swain hall is the cheapest place to eat.

It seems that many students are taking these factors into consideration, as over 50 men have checked into Swain hall since Monday, and no doubt this number will continue to increase throughout the remainder of the quarter. The total number of students eating at Swain hall regularly is from 600 to 800, depending on the season of the year.

Swain hall is praised not only for the good, wholesome food it serves, but for the self-help work it gives to students. From 60 to 90 boys work in Swain hall all through the college year; more of which are used at the beginning of the college year, because many of the incoming freshmen are inexperienced in kitchen work. These boys are divided into the following groups: waiters, dishwashers, glass washers, those who set up food, those who clean up, and those who do the miscellaneous work. The students who have worked themselves to the most responsible positions are "Mac" Covington, assistant manager, and "Willie" Morgan, assistant manager to stock room. These two boys will be greatly missed next year, because both are seniors.

Swain hall uses only the highest grade of foods, such as grade A pasteurized milk. They also offer a variety of foods and drinks, as coffee for breakfast, milk for lunch and iced tea for supper.

D. C. McD.

Szechoslovakia has been promised a reform in its educational system by President Masaryk, himself a former school teacher and professor. The promise was made on the occasion of the president's birthday.

CHIPS Off The OLD BLOCK By Moore Bryson

Once in the life of every college student there comes a time when the urge to write a column becomes irresistible. Should I say, "Tut, tut," and let the matter drop now, I might have another to add to my list of suppressed desires. My inhibitions being sufficiently numerous already, I must ask you to bear with me while I attempt to reduce my ambitious writer's complex.

The students on one none too interesting class have forsaken their pastimes of tit-tat-to, drawing pictures, and composing poetry for a far more interesting game. The professor has two pet phrases which he uses continually. His listeners are combatting the warm weather by keeping a record of the number of times he uses each of these phrases during the hour. Mild but intense betting goes on as to which expression will win each day. The scores are posted after each class. Up to date, the professor is evidently unaware of the significance of the symbols which appear on his blackboard daily.

A certain couple (names unknown) stroll hand-in-hand between every class. We are at a loss to know whether it is spring, or spring training for summer school.

Imagine my consternation upon returning to my room a few nights ago to find a rope tied in the form of a noose hanging over my bed. Accompanying it was a placard reading as follows: Precedents,

- 1. Judas 2. Achitophel 3. Joe Schmaltz

Why not you?

Perhaps after reading this column, the accessory-before-the-fact will leave a shot-gun, for as a co-ed was heard to remark, "I detest anything tight around my neck."

Speaking of co-eds, we hear we have a female Janus on the campus. One of our most beautiful had a blind date with an out of town boy the other night. Thinking to have some fun, she left off all make-up, slicked her hair back over her ears, put on an unbecoming dress and horn-rimmed glasses and came down stairs to meet her unknown admirer. However, some of her sisters took one look and immediately sent her back to remodel for the honor of dear old Pi Phi.

Elmer Hall, technical director of the Playmakers, is constructing a gorgeous set for the forthcoming production of "Romeo and Juliet." Placed as it will be in the beautiful Forest Theatre, it should be one of the most noteworthy pieces of stagecraft yet produced by a little theatre group.

The Daily Tar Heel recently carried a story about quinine being put into apples on the Playmaker's tour. Some enterprising reporter should unearth the legend concerning the substitution of an unknown beverage for the regular ginger-ale in a certain play of not too many years ago.

Despite the statement that the new co-ed members of the Phi were to be immortalized, we have yet to hear a certain young lady called, "Saint Kitty."

Portugal has announced a campaign to increase its navy. It might begin with a disarmament conference.—San Diego Union.

Reports being received by President Hoover's law enforcement commission indicate that there has been less drinking among high school students under the prohibition laws than there was prior to their enactment



Richard Tucker in "PEACOCK ALLEY"

Love! Riches! Every man offered her these, but she wanted marriage... And the man she loved called it "old-fashioned." Extra Added Attraction

Stan Laurel Oliver Hardy SLOTTO



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