

WILLIAMS TALKS TO SOPHOMORES ON MEDIOCRITY

Says That University and College System is Feudal in Its Narrow Outlook.

Professor Horace Williams, head of the department of philosophy, yesterday morning spoke to the sophomore assembly during chapel period on the theme that the age in which we are living will be known to future generations as an era of mediocrity.

Professor Williams stated that as of old, this age is one of feudalism. In the Renaissance, the school began to take over the guidance of the public, displacing the church. The school conscious of its strength became feudalistic. Today the University does not function as a university, as it does not touch the student wholly. As a great oak can not be grown rooted in a box so it is that a great man does not appear in the confines of a narrow process. There is a day of collapse in our economics. Not a voice is heard pointing the way forward. We seem to have discontinued the breeding of statesmen.

The professor said that America seemed to believe that it must meet every crisis by appointing a committee. That in itself is an admission of mediocrity. Imagine Euclid, William Pitt, Bismark, and even Jesus himself appointing committees to report on their various problems, and the student will note the complete absurdity of the idea of a committee for everything.

The Feudal period was so mediocre that it is called the Dark Age. It was destroyed by the crusades, but what was accomplished except the giving birth to a new species of man?

The college is feudal in its process. Only in athletics does the University touch its sons.

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Student Secretary To Visit Lutherans

Dr. Mary E. Markley, student secretary, of the board of education of the United Lutheran church, will address the Lutheran Student Association at the eleven o'clock service tomorrow morning in Gerrard hall.

Dr. Markley has had considerable experience in working with students, having taught English for ten years, and having served in her present position since 1919. She has traveled extensively in continental Europe and Great Britain, and has recently completed a trip around the world, spending considerable time in Japan, China, and India. Through her addresses based upon wide experience and extensive study, she has made distinct contributions in the fields of Christian education and missions.

Community Club Will Meet Monday

The health department of the Community Club, under the direction of Mrs. M. S. Breckenridge, did not meet on Friday as scheduled, but will meet on Monday afternoon, November 10, at three-thirty o'clock at Mrs. Breckenridge's home, 738 E. Franklin street.

The members will mend the clothes which have been collected at the "M" System store and will have them distributed to the poor.

DEBATING TEAMS PICKED FOR MEET WITH STATE MEN

At the regular meeting of the debate squad, Thursday night, J. C. Williams and C. A. Shreve were picked as the negative team, and R. A. Merritt and D. M. Lacy were picked as the affirmative team to compete in the dual debate with State College. The negative team will engage the State debaters here November 25th, and the affirmative will compete in Raleigh December 2.

The decision in this debate will be by the "shift of audience" vote. The question for the debate will be "Resolved, That the nations should adopt a policy of free trade."

UNIVERSITY MEN PLAN BROADCAST

Under Leadership of Red Greene Campus Activities Men Are to Speak Over WPTF.

Red Greene, president of the student body, has secured permission from WPTF to have fifteen minutes each Wednesday afternoon between the hours of 5:15 and 5:30 for the use of Student Activity Feature Programs. The primary purpose of these will be to let the people of the state know what Carolina students do in their spare time. A particular effort will be made to get as many high school students as possible to listen in so that they may possibly get some helpful ideas about the organization and function of the University's various extra-curricular activities.

Greene has appointed on a committee to aid in arranging programs the following men: Mayne Albright, Jack Dungan, Pat Patterson, Ed Hamer, Will Yarborough, John Idol, J. A. Williams and John Lang. Ed Sheidt and Mr. Morgan Vining are acting as advisors to this committee.

The program for the next few weeks will be as follows:

Nov. 12—Red Greene will give a survey of the growth of outside activities on this campus and their significance in the history of the University. At the same time he will give a general description of all activities on the campus.

Nov. 19—Ed Hamer, president of the Y. M. C. A., will describe that organization together with its functions.

Nov. 26—Archie Allen, president of the Athletic Association 1929-30 and assistant boxing coach, will talk on the athletics at this school.

Dec. 3—Either Jack Dungan or Will Yarborough will give a survey of publications.

Ed Sheidt is sending out notices to principals of all high schools in the state to have them announce to their students the time and subjects of these talks. A great deal of interest has been shown here, both among faculty members and student leaders; WPTF seems to think that this will make a tremendously interesting program and is giving its full support to those sponsoring it.

Grisette in Charlotte

Felix A. Grisette, director of the Alumni Loyalty Fund, left Thursday for Charlotte to attend a conference of Charlotte alumni in connection with the work of the Fund. From Charlotte he will go to Winston-Salem for a similar meeting, returning to Chapel Hill today.

Library Exhibits Manuscripts As Part Of Vergil Celebration

Additional Vergil material from the Hanes Foundation for the study of the origin and development of the book is being displayed in the first floor corridor of the University library in the exhibit case nearest the main entrance. These books are displayed as part of the University's celebration of Vergil's 2000th birthday.

Probably more Vergil manuscripts and other material nearly contemporary with the poet's life exist in a good state of preservation than for any other Latin poet. Among these, one of the most interesting is an authentic portrait of the poet, drawing from the first century A. D. a facsimile of which is on display. This portrait is done in mosaic which may account for its excellent state of preservation.

Three facsimiles of an early 9th century manuscript show in what form Vergil's works were transmitted to modern times. This manuscript now in Berne, Switzerland, contains the Bucolics, Georgics, and the Aeneid. It is written in the Carolingian hand, which is called after the Emperor Charlemagne, because of his support of a writing school and scriptorium at Tours. The first page of the Eclogues is very unusual, being chiefly occupied by a large and highly ornamented capital T. The first lines of the poem are written close up under the right-hand arm of this capital letter.

A facsimile page from the Koberger edition of Vergil's works, published in 1492, shows how early German printers produced the poet's works. A series of three books show how Italian

publishers presented Vergil's work to readers in the early part of the 16th century. These books are illustrated with woodcuts describing the various scenes in the poems. The books are open to the incident of the Trojan horse where the monumental wooden horse is being drawn into Troy by the inhabitants of the city. One book shows a woodcut of Aeneas' voyage away from Troy. The ships are depicted in the midst of a storm blown up at the request of one of the gods. This picture is somewhat more realistic than others, showing, as it does, a Trojan sailor in the throes of seasickness.

The Aldine Vergil of 1501, a facsimile of which is on display, is the first example of the use of the Aldine italic type. This type was modeled after the informal handwriting of the day, rather than the monumental and formal manuscript hand. The facsimile is from a highly ornamented copy of this edition, the border of which was painted in by hand. A relatively modern edition is that published by Charles Baskerville of Birmingham, in 1757. This book, an original copy of which is on display, is one of the landmarks of typographical history. Baskerville set out to print one of the most beautiful books possible for a printer to produce. He spent three years in the task and astonished Europe by the unusual restraint of his design. Unfortunately, less care was spent on the text of the poem than on the printing of it, so that it is not an important edition for anything but appearance. This is the first publication from this press.

"Purely Feminine College Is Holy Terror", Writer Declares

"The girl whose ambition and aim is to charm is still the winner with men. And, believe me, she rarely a college graduate," declares Nina Wilcox Putnam in the December *College Humor*. "I am particularly prejudiced against colleges run strictly for women, but feel that there is a lot to be said in favor of educational institutions. In fact, the worst that can be said against the latter is that a co-educational institution throws people of opposite sexes, who are still pretty young for the task, into a lot of grown-up situations which they are really not capable of handling."

"But the purely feminine college, run by women for women, is a holy terror, to my mind. To me it seems to do something awful to a girl. It's a completely false world to begin with, because women are basically rivals all through their lives and do not herd together naturally and impersonally as men do. Therefore a vast campus simply crawling with females who ape the independence of men without achieving the solidarity of men is to me a false and pitiful thing. And attendance at such a college more often than not leaves a girl hanging midway between intellectual snobbery and a practical education in living, without achieving either. Of course in the case of a girl who is deliberately planning a career to which a special course of study is essential, my verdict is entirely different. She must, of course, go to college.

"But for an average girl who

intends to make marriage her chief business—and, thank heaven, they are still in the majority—to waste four precious years that ought to be devoted to romantic adventure, at a college which offers contact with only her own sex, seems tragic. And what's more, the experience is often mighty unhealthy for her whole point of view on sex.

"Some wise author, I'm not sufficiently educated to remember his name, once pulled a splendid gag to the effect that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing. And that's how I feel about the knowledge a girl gets at a female college. What's the value of a smattering of the classics, a course in trig, or a sentence or two in a dead language, all of which is soon forgotten, as against the good, red hot warming-up for the business of life which a girl gets out of normal social contacts during the four years which she averages before marriage and after school? Why waste that precious interval by putting a girl away in a sort of home for grown-up female orphans where life is artificial to the nth degree and bears no relation to her real future?"

"Let's keep college for the grinds and let our marriageable daughters strut their stuff at home. And if a girl wants an occupation, let her get a job of work. Any work, practically, will teach her more in a month that will be of real value to her than she'll pull out of four years at Wreckem College."

M'KIE STRESSES LOCAL DEADLINE FOR ANTHOLOGY

As was announced some time ago, Harper and Brothers is to publish an anthology of American college verse under the editorship of Miss Jessie C. Rehder, of Columbia University. The plan as announced by Miss Rehder is to include two poems from each of one hundred American colleges and universities.

The local deadline for contributions is November 15. Professor George McKie, of the departments of English and public speaking, is in charge of the secretarial end of the enterprise. To be considered in the selection of the two poems to be submitted from Carolina, contributions must be in Professor McKie's office, 210 Murphey hall, by the above deadline date. Poems submitted must not be longer than thirty lines.

BOST ANNOUNCES BOOK ON SULPHUR

Volume Is First of Its Kind to Be Published, Covering Field of Sulphur Compounds.

Dr. Bost of the chemistry department of the University has just announced a book entitled "A Bibliography of Organic Sulphur Compounds." His co-authors are Dr. Parry Borgstrom of the Naval Research Laboratories, and Dr. D. F. Brown of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. The book is sponsored by the American Petroleum Institute and is printed by the Lord Baltimore Press. The volume is the first of its kind ever to be published and covers the entire field of organic sulphur compounds from 1871 to 1930. The book grew out of a trend of research in organic sulphur compounds particularly with reference to petroleum. Until the last few years very little was known of the nature of the sulphur compounds found in petroleum. It gives a survey of the literature of these compounds in which their occurrence, method of preparation, various reactions, and methods of detection are noted. It classifies the organic sulphur compounds into thirty classes, and arranges abstracts in alphabetical order with reference to authors.

In addition to covering the literature as stated above, the book also covers abstracts of all United States pertaining to the removal of sulphur compounds from petroleum. These abstracts were obtained from the original patents in the Patent Office in Washington. Dr. Bost also has a research project sponsored by the American Petroleum Institute in which two fellowships have been established for the investigation of complex organic sulphur compounds which are found in petroleum. There are only two universities in the south which are awarded these fellowships.

Dey Requests Acknowledgments

Some time ago Dr. W. M. Dey, chairman of the faculty committee on fraternities, sent to all fraternities a letter stating scholarship requirements for the initiation of pledges and requesting an acknowledgment of its receipt. He has received no acknowledgments and requests that those to whom letters were delivered let him know as soon as possible.

WILL CELEBRATE TWELFTH ANNUAL ARMISTICE DAY

Principal Address Will Be Given By Dr. Henderson in Gerrard Hall, November 11.

Tuesday at chapel period, which will last from ten-thirty until eleven-thirty, the entire University, together with the faculty, will meet in Gerrard hall for the twelfth annual commemorating exercises in celebration of the signing of the armistice which ended the World War.

The program will be in charge of the University administrative officers and the Chapel Hill post of the American Legion, commanded by Paul Robertson.

Eleven o'clock classes, it has been announced, will not meet until eleven-thirty, making it possible for the entire student body to attend. While it was announced that attendance upon this function would not be compulsory, it has been the custom for practically the entire student body and faculty to attend.

The speaker of the occasion will be Dr. Archibald Henderson. The invocation will be delivered by Reverend W. D. Moss of the Presbyterian church. Then the convocation will sing the national anthem. This will be followed by a roll call of the University dead, to be read by Dean A. W. Hobbs, of the college of arts. The roll call of the dead of the Chapel Hill post of the American Legion is to be read by Post Commander Paul Robertson. Taps will be sounded by George H. Lawrence. At eleven o'clock, at the time at which the armistice was supposed to have been signed, a two-minute pause will take place during which the audience will stand bare-headed.

Henderson's address will be followed by the benediction. Martial music will usher the audience out of the building.

FAMOUS CHEMIST PAYS VISIT HERE

Dr. Charles W. Dabney, internationally known chemist, is visiting friends here and doing some work in the library. He is stopping over for a few days on his way to his winter home in Florida.

Dr. Dabney has written a number of books, chiefly in the fields of science and education. He has been president of the universities of Tennessee and Ohio though he is not now connected with any school. He was also state chemist of North Carolina for several years in the latter part of the nineteenth century.

Zimmerman To Speak At Cleveland Meet

Dr. E. W. Zimmerman, professor of economics, is to read a paper on international economics problems at the next meeting of the American Economics Association, the program of which has just been published. The meeting is scheduled to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, December 27-30. Since this is a nation-wide institution it is considered quite an honor to be placed on the program.

Carroll Away

Dean D. D. Carroll of the school of commerce is spending the week-end in New York City on business.