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### An Editor's Credo

Most college editors enter upon their new duties with a zeal and inspiration that characterizes most young men. They conceive great crusades for student rights (just as if there were student rights apart from the rights of all men). They revolve in their heads colossal schemes for the betterment of their institutions, their political and geographical divisions, or the race of man. This and more—some feel that they have on their shoulders a mantle which calls for great and noble deeds.

These editors struggle with the average college audience for some few weeks and gradually sink down to the level of mankind which rebels at, crusades, looks at reformers, and has no use for radicals.

Taking this valuable lesson from those men who have preceded us, we enter our office with no radical ideas whatsoever, with no intention of recreating a world which is a pretty good one, and with no fervor for political, social, or ethical upheavals.

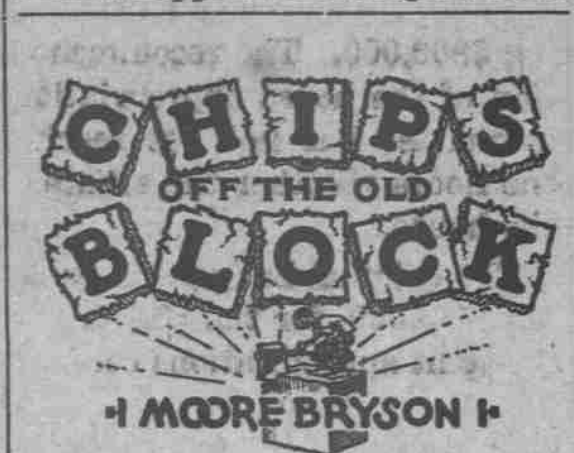
We are pledged to see that the Tar Heel grows—that it takes its rightful place among the important college dailies in the United States, and further that each issue as it comes from the presses is absolutely the best that could have been accomplished by an intelligently trained and fair-minded staff working in harmony for a better University and a more productive and comfortable life.

The Daily Tar Heel is the property of the entire student body, with each member of the student body as a member of a giant board of directors which is in control of the paper. The duty of the editorship is to interpret the will of the largest number of the student body. Loudspoken minorities will have

their hearing, but we shall attempt to maintain a logical and sane balance, refraining from being influenced by the hysteria of the moment, but rather by the lasting and significant needs of the student body and the community.

Convinced that a thing is right, the editor will refuse to soft-pedal any issue in order that he may more comfortably come and go upon the campus. There will be no trucking to individuals.

Finally, we shall devote our time in an effort to bring about an even more logical and sane interpretation of the events which happen to transpire here.



What Ho! and the merry days of spring are once more with us. At least, it looks as if this weather will stay with us for a few days. (It will probably be raining again by the time you read this, that is, if you do read this.) The law school will again start basking itself between classes; the girls will take their place in the sun, and gin will become the popular drink. Dear, dear, and why shouldn't I be bright and gay with such an outlook?

The old law building on Henderson street is now a thing of the past. The wreckers and the town council have taken away another old land mark. Well, quite a few changes have taken place since I arrived on the old campus. (Echo from the rear—Yes, they were starting to build Old East when you made your debut as a freshman.)

Paul Story seems to resent people who whistle or sing such songs as "Gimme a little kiss, will yuh, huh?" and "Kiss Waltz" within his hearing. I didn't realize that Brother Story had such a sensitive, aesthetic nature. There must be some other reason.

N. C. C. W. sent its share of fair visitors to Chapel Hill during the Easter holidays. I managed to meet a couple of them most every morning in Patterson's over our tomato juice, and thus began another day.

One of the visitors, whom I shall call "Beautiful" for short, had a date with one of our leading humorists and punsters. After listening to such things as "I have never seen a fouler girl," she decided that she had had enough. She told him that it was five minutes of one and that she had to go home. The future editor realized the truth in her remarks, so he did as he was asked. After getting back to the house he found that her watch had said five minutes after eleven instead of five minutes of one.

What, oh what, is this town coming to? Not so many nights ago I saw a girl in the Waffle Shop in flowing, blue pajamas, and a few minutes ago I saw some goof on Franklin Street in pajamas which were not so flowing and not so blue. If the fad increases, I wonder what the girl who wears a night gown is going to do.

The report is abroad that Emmie Frances Polliell had a telephone call Wednesday night from some boy who claimed to be one of her admirers of last year. The boy refused to give his name, saying that she should know it without being told, and Emmie Frances is still wondering the identity of the person

with whom she talked for thirty minutes.

Imagine the law school resolving to keep politics out of its elections and then carrying out that noble resolution. There just isn't anything that a columnist can say about a thing like that.

Now that my old friend and running mate, Wex Malone, has started to write a column, I will be unable to tell any more absent-minded stories for he will have too good an opportunity to come back at me.

### OPEN FORUM

#### Anent The New Education

Editor The Daily Tar Heel: I am glad to see the Tar Heel taking an interest in educational matters as is shown by the number of articles appearing on the editorial page. I hope however that the time will come when more of them will be written by students here.

In the discussions of educational matters we all should remember that experience must have a part as well as mere theory. Many fine theories go to pot from sheer inertia. I believe it was Jefferson who said something to the effect that those people are best governed who are least governed. He knew about this inertia business. If the Russian experiment can survive too much government it may work, but it has a hard road ahead to keep the people up to the high pitch necessary to carry out such a program. People get tired of being rushed here and there, being made to sign up for this and that, in short they get terribly bored with too much government. The same thing applies in education. We may think out in the seclusion of our rooms very fine schemes of education. They are all doomed to failure because they all proceed on the assumption that there exists some ideal machinery of education whereby every thing will go smoothly and every student will be guaranteed an education if he will conform. The gods may know about it. The central point in all education is that we must all get it ourselves by digging in, it can come no other way. We may pass some courses but we cannot even get on the road to an education until we are willing to pay the price of individual effort. Examinations or no examinations, two-hour classes or one hour classes or no classes at all, tutors, honors, courses, reading periods or what not, the central fact remains that we are not going to get any education unless we are willing to put out for it. When we are ready to do that then nothing can keep us from some kind of worth while education.

I write this letter merely to encourage our students to think about the educational problem and write about it if they will, but not to put too much faith in any scheme which it is thought will open up the royal road to learning. There is no royal road and it is just as well that there is not. A few years ago Dean Hibbard offered a plan to the students which I thought was a good one, whereby those who thought themselves being suffocated in the mass of mediocrity could escape into the elysian fields of freedom where there would be no class attendance at all. A student was to go his own way and dig in to his heart's content. When this was announced we all expected to see the plan swamped with applicants. On the contrary the intellectuals who had been doing all the talking about the present stupid system somehow silently stole away and, I suppose, all went back to the poor makeshift of courses and credits

as being the line of least resistance. We must not put our faith in any kind of machinery of education. It would work fine if the students would set out to educate themselves, but then we would not need the machinery.

A. W. HOBBS.

### With Contemporaries

#### Declaration Of Independence

In deciding to allow entrance credit in subjects which do not conform exactly with the College Board Requirements, the University of California adopts an excellent solution to a perennial problem. Unable to change the rigidity of the board system, California follows other colleges in declaring its emancipation from this restrictive mechanism.

Although the general clamor against the narrowing influence of College Board Examinations on school curricula has been fully justified, some colleges have been less rigorous than is often supposed in their adherence to board standards. In special instances Princeton has granted credit for work in non-theoretical music; through the New Plan of admission Harvard, Yale, and other universities allow considerable latitude in the choice of subjects presented for entrance.

Schools cannot provide the best educational opportunities, as schoolmasters continually explain, if they are strait-jacketed by college admission requirements. The entrance examination system by its very nature can never be really flexible, but colleges can neutralize its restrictive influence by allowing credit for subjects outside its narrow range. By its recent decision California joins a number of Eastern colleges in taking a liberal attitude on the question. This stand indicates that colleges are recognizing more completely what they can do to offset limitations which a strictly interpreted examination system places on secondary schools—*Harvard Crimson.*

#### A College Man's Budget

An alumnus—he has been an alumnus for three months now—remarked the other day that there were a good many men in college now who would be surprised at the total of their budget when they got out of school—surprised because it would be so much smaller than their present expenses. He was suffering from exactly that thing at the time.

Sellers consider the college market a gullible one. College men are to them free and easy

buyers. They are most of them partly or wholly irresponsible for the source of their income; they have not learned intimately the pressure of working for every cent they spend.

Of course, exaggerated pictures have been painted of the super-wealthy college man, but even though they may be partially false, there is enough truth in them to warrant a little hesitancy on the part of the college man who thinks his lot is too hard.

The college man will make apologies for these extraordinary expenses, and he will probably list, among other things, the following items of his budget that he will not have to pay when he is out of school:

Fraternity bills—from \$20 to \$60.  
Honorary initiation fees—from \$5 to \$20.

College dances from \$2 to \$15.  
College fees—from \$20 to \$125.

Transportation to school—from \$5 to \$40 monthly.

The college man is likely to find all these expense items cut out completely, and a lot more items down considerably—less money for collegiate clothes, for collegiate dates, for collegiate "good times," and so on.

The alumnus was right. It will be quite a "come-down" for a great many collegians to start paying rent, taxes, board and all petty expenses from a starting salary of \$30 or \$40 a week, after Dad's elastic monthly check.—*Daily Bruin.*

### HAMRICK PRESIDENT OF THIRD YEAR LAW CLASS

At a called meeting of the third year law class the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: F. D. Hamrick, president; C. C. Cates, vice-president; Howard Klutz, secretary and treasurer; Dave Craig, sergeant-at-arms; Naomi Alexander, sponsor of the law school baseball team; Cicero Lobdell, mascot of the law school baseball team.

The highly revelatory clothes era ended just in time to keep the girls from utilizing cellophane.—*Arkansas Gazette.*

### WHICH LETTER

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## DEBATE

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VS.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

on the proposition that

The Nations Should Adopt a Policy of Free Trade

Gerrard Hall

Tonight - - 8:30 P. M.