

## MIMS ADVOCATES MORE EDUCATION TO AID PROGRESS

### South Can Be Built Up Only by Removing Educational Conservatism.

Dr. Edwin Mims, educator and member of the faculty of Vanderbilt university, told the delegates attending the southern conference on education in an address last night that "the forces of defeatism, indifference, and despair can be licked to a frazzle if we reaffirm our faith in education as the most substantial basis for our conference in democracy."

Dr. Mims recalled that when he wrote his book, *The Advancing South*, five years ago he contended "nothing happening in the country at that time was more significant than the rise to power and influence of constantly enlarging groups of liberal leaders who were fighting against the conservatism and the lack of freedom that have too long impeded southern progress."

"While we recognize the need for the strictest economy in the administration of public funds, and while we are conscious of the defects of our own work, we are opposed to any retreat from the positions we have already taken," he told his fellow educators.

Other speakers at last night's program were Dr. John H. Cook of N. C. C. W. and president of the North Carolina education association; and Dr. Paul Monroe, director of the international institute of teacher's colleges, Columbia university.

Dr. Monroe's subject was "The Present Economic Crisis and Education," and he asserted that "the American method of producing a program is by experimentation. The schoolman, the entire educational profession should be set to work—to work out through experimentation such a program."

"This is a challenge of the present time of social and economic depression. It is not common sense, it is not economic, it is not American to meet the challenge of the present by merely saying that we must cut down expenditures for education."

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## ANDERSON'S PLAY TELLS OLD THEME

### Many Dramas Written of Love of Elizabeth and Essex.

Maxwell Anderson's *Elizabeth*, the Queen, which will be presented in Memorial hall November 16, is the latest and perhaps the most sensational of the many plays dealing with the love affair of Elizabeth and the Earl of Essex.

Nell Gwynn first played the role of the queen in John Bank's play produced at the Drury Lane theatre as long ago as 1682. It was soon found, however, that Miss Gwynn was too busy in private life, practicing her wiles on kings, so she was taken from the role. Miss Elizabeth Barry, first actress of the day, replaced her.

Another attempt was made in 1731, and in 1753 came Henry Jones' *The Earl of Essex*. Sheridan and Macready appeared in a play of the same name in 1761. As recently as last spring Harry Wagstaff Gribble's *The Royal Virgin* held the boards at the Booth theatre in New York.

## PROMINENT EDUCATORS AT EDUCATION MEET



Pictured above are eight speakers who have addressed the Southern Conference on Education which opened at the University of North Carolina Thursday. Prominent educators from all sections of the south are in attendance.

The eight pictured above are: Top row, left to right—Dr. Edwin Mims, Vanderbilt university; Dr. Thomas H. Briggs, Columbia university; Dr. John H. Cook, North Carolina College for Women; Dr. Albert S. Cook, state superintendent of schools of Maryland; Dr. Holland Holton, Duke university; Dean James J. Doster, University of Alabama; Dr. James S. Rickards, secretary of the Florida Education Association; State Superintendent J. H. Hope of South Carolina.

## CHAPEL SPEAKER SAYS ILLITERACY RETARDS GROWTH

### Charles G. Maphis Contrasts India and Japan as to Progress in Education.

The speaker at assembly yesterday morning was Dean Charles G. Maphis of the University of Virginia. His topic was "Illiteracy." "Illiteracy in the south," said Dean Maphis, "is like cotton in the south; there is an over-production and it is hard to get rid of."

Dean Maphis defined an illiterate person over ten years of age who can neither read nor write. He declared that economic and social loss result from illiteracy; the progress of the south in wealth, in education, and in industry, is retarded by this enemy of civilization.

### Japanese Progress

The speaker compared India and Japan in progressiveness. India is burdened with ignorance and poverty. There is ninety-two per cent illiteracy out of a population which equals that of all Europe. He declared that for this reason, the independence and self-government which these people are demanding would be an impossibility. On the other hand, the Japanese have progressed through "universal education." Of the total number of children in Japan, ninety-nine per cent are in school.

Dean Maphis declared that the responsibility of obliterating illiteracy in North Carolina was as much incumbent upon the students of this University as it was upon anyone else. There has been only a two per cent decrease in illiteracy in this state during the last few years; there now remains ten per cent of the population in ignorance. Quoting the words of Thomas Jefferson, Maphis said, "Preach a crusade against ignorance; educate all the people."

### BOND TO READ PAPER

Dr. R. P. Bond will read a paper on contemporary literature at the meeting of the American Association of University Women next Tuesday.

## Conrad Nagel Refutes Dashiell's Attack On Intelligence Of Movies

### Motion Picture Star Takes Exception to Statement Made by Psychology Professor That "Average Movie Is Made by Morons," and Accuses him of Political Trick.

According to Conrad Nagel, prominent motion picture star, Dr. John F. Dashiell, of the University's psychology department, may be "up to an old political trick" when he says that the "average movie is made by morons." Nagel, who is vice-president of the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences, felt it his duty to refute the statement of Dr. Dashiell to a *Daily Tar Heel* reporter recently. He was quick to express his disfavor of the views of the University professor.

"It probably is something akin to the old political trick of obscure persons who attack people of national prominence in order to attract attention to themselves," the actor said.

The controversy arose over a statement of Dr. Dashiell. "Conversation with relatives and friends who know many of the stars personally," he said, "leads me to suggest that many movies are made by morons. The brains

are possessed more by the producers than by the actors." Dr. Dashiell has resided in Hollywood and has thus had first hand knowledge for his startling remark. In order to prove his statement he quotes a motion picture director as having said, "It is our deliberate aim to make every scenario thoroughly understandable by the average twelve year old." Nagel ignored this statement of his fellow worker, but took exception to Mr. Dashiell's remark that "producers and directors generally are wise boys with brains." "That is an utterly erroneous and unfair statement," Nagel said.

Nagel was amused at the exceptions which Dr. Dashiell had made, namely, Greta Garbo, Charlie Chaplin, Clara Bow, and Harold Lloyd.

Dr. Dashiell had no statement to make yesterday when questioned about Nagel's reply to his observations.

## FARRARS WILL GIVE INVITATION READING

A group of persons interested in the production of modern plays will give an invitation reading of St. John Ervine's play, *The First Mrs. Fraser*, at 8:00 o'clock this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Farrar, Laurel Hill road. Parts are to be taken as follows: Mrs. James Fraser, Mrs. Margaret Holmes; Mr. James Fraser, William Olsen; Ninian Fraser, Whitner Bissell; Philip Logan, Phillips Russell; Murdo Fraser, Leon Wiley; Alice Fraser, Margaret Bullitt; Elsie Fraser, Mrs. Mary Margaret Russell; Mabel, Mrs. Nolen.

## Bynum Improving

Professor J. C. Bynum of the geology department is reported to be slightly improved in condition today. He is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia, and during his absence, Kenneth E. Eyerly is teaching the classes that Bynum was instructing before his illness.

## INJURED WOMEN ARE RECOVERING SWIFTLY

The four professors' wives who were taken to Duke hospital after being injured in an automobile accident last week are recovering rapidly.

Mrs. J. F. Dashiell returned home a day or two after the accident, and Mrs. F. W. Hanft will probably be home today or tomorrow. An X-ray showed that Mrs. M. T. Van Hecke suffered no serious internal injuries, and she is expected home next week. The doctors say that Mrs. E. R. Mosher, who had her arm cut by the glass, can leave the hospital in a few days.

## BOOKSHELVES INSTALLED IN LIBRARY LABORATORY

The quarters of the school of library science in the library is complete now that the bookshelves that were to line the walls of the laboratory have been installed. These shelves were manufactured by the buildings department and are arranged to fit any size volume.

## Press Association Will Convene Here

The annual mid-winter institute of the North Carolina press association will convene in Chapel Hill January 13, 14, and 15. The arrangements were made at a meeting of the executive committee, at which the University was represented by R. M. Grumman, M. F. Vining, R. W. Madry, and O. J. Coffin.

The program of the meeting this winter will be shared with Duke university. Members and guests of the association will make a tour of the Duke campus Thursday afternoon, January 14, and that evening's session will be held in one of the Duke buildings.

## NEW CAMPANILE TO BE DEDICATED AT THANKSGIVING

### Memorial Tower, Gift of University Alumni, Will Be Accepted By Governor Gardner.

The new Morehead-Patterson bell-tower, which John Motley Morehead and Rufus L. Patterson have given to the University as a memorial to members of their families, will be dedicated Thanksgiving day at 12:30, just before the Virginia game.

Frank Patterson, a member of the editorial staff of the *Baltimore Sun* will make the presentation of the tower which will be accepted for the University by Governor O. Max Gardner.

### Ideal Location

The campanile stands on a slight knoll directly back of the library and is between it and the Kenan stadium. It may be seen by motorists travelling over the Greensboro to Raleigh highway.

The memorial tablet is on the wall of the front portico and will be unveiled by two members of the families immediately after the dedication. At this time the bells will be played either by Dr. Harold Dyer, of the University music department, or by W. R. Meneely of New York, head of the company which furnished them.

Rising from a base fifty-eight feet square in a series of dignified columnades to a balcony the tower is surmounted by a clock room and cupola. Facing in four directions the clocks are in full view of the campus from all points. The total height of the edifice is 167 feet.

With an aggregate weight of over seven tons the bells comprising the campanile are an exact duplicate of the famous West Point chimes. The park surrounding the tower is being rapidly put into shape. A total of \$100,000 was required to construct the campanile and grounds.

## WILBUR D. STEELE WINS O. HENRY AWARD AGAIN

Wilbur Daniel Steele, a former resident of Chapel Hill, is again the winner of the annual, O. Henry memorial award for the best American short story. His story, "Can't Cross Jordan by Myself" in the *Pictorial Review* won this honor for him. Because of his previous winnings he does not receive the cash prize of \$500, which is according to the rules of the contest. In 1926, Mr. Steele was tied with Julian Street for first prize. He won second prize in 1919, and he was given a special prize for general excellence in the short story in 1919, 1920, and 1921.

## SENIORS PETITION COACHES TO LET BRANCH RETURN

### Class Unanimously Passes Resolutions at Chapel Period Yesterday Morning.

At a call meeting yesterday morning, at 10:30, the senior class gave an unanimous vote to petition Coach Collins and other athletic officials to consider the advisability of reinstating Johnny Branch to the football squad.

The following resolution was adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the senior class of the University of North Carolina in a call meeting November 6, 1931,

FIRST, that Coach Collins and the athletic council be commended for demanding the observation of reasonable training rules for our athletic teams;

SECOND, that we heartily approve the suspension of players for the infraction of such regulations; and,

THIRD, that while we regret the necessity of such action in our cases of Johnny Branch and McDade, yet we do in no wise criticize or condemn that action.

### Second Part

FURTHER, that whereas Johnny Branch, a member of this class, has since his suspension taken his punishment in good spirit and done his self-help work conscientiously,—that this is his last year of eligibility for football,—that it is well known he is deeply hurt and humiliated,—that because he has been a big factor in bringing pride and glory to this student body and to our athletic association,—and that to be reinstated would enable him to further and to more completely restore himself in the good graces and appreciation of the public; therefore, be it resolved,

FIRST, that we the senior class, feel sufficient disciplinary action has been taken in his case; and,

SECOND, that we, the senior class hereby respectfully petition Coach Collins and other athletic officials concerned to consider the advisability of reinstating Johnny Branch to our football squad. Signed:

HAMILTON HOBGOOD,  
President Senior Class.

## UNIVERSITY BAND LEAVES FOR TECH

### Special Pullmans Carry Sixty-Two Musicians to Atlanta.

The University band with sixty-two members and Director T. S. McCorkle left Chapel Hill last night at 10:00 o'clock for Atlanta. The two special pullman coaches in which the trip is being made will arrive this morning.

At the game this afternoon the group will make the regular formations, spelling Tech and forming the monogram U. N. C. They will perform the "goose step" march for which they are famous. While in Atlanta the band will stay at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel, where they will give a program.

It is to be remembered that two years ago when Carolina won from Tech, W. O. McGeehan writing in the *New York Herald Tribune* spoke thus of the band, "If there is any snappier band in the country than the blue and white uniformed band of the University of North Carolina your correspondent will travel any distance to see and hear it."